

Decision amending the decision of 10 March 2022 on setting up a special committee on foreign interference in all democratic processes in the European Union, including disinformation (INGE 2), and adjusting its title and responsibilities

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The European Parliament adopted a decision amending the decision of 10 March 2022 on setting up a special committee on foreign interference in all democratic processes in the European Union, including disinformation (INGE 2), and adjusting its title and responsibilities.

Parliament decided that the special committee will be named ‘special committee on foreign interference in all democratic processes in the European Union, including disinformation, and the strengthening of integrity, transparency and accountability in the European Parliament’.

The special committee will have 33 members and will be responsible for the following tasks:

- scrutinising, in cooperation and consultation with standing committees where their powers and responsibilities under Annex VI of the Rules of Procedure are concerned, existing and planned legislation and policies to detect possible loopholes, gaps and overlaps that could be exploited for **malicious interference in democratic processes**;
- developing in close cooperation with the standing committees following the working practices of the INGE 1 special committee, suggesting how to remedy these gaps in order to foster the EU’s legal resilience and on how to improve the EU’s institutional framework;
- working closely with other EU institutions, Member States’ authorities, international organisations, civil society, as well as state and non-state partners in third countries in order to reinforce EU action against **hybrid threats and disinformation**;
- contributing to overall institutional resilience against foreign interference, hybrid threats and disinformation in the run-up to European elections in 2024;
- **identifying the shortcomings in the European Parliament’s rules on transparency, integrity, accountability and anti-corruption**, considering other medium- to longer-term measures and issue recommendations for reforms, building on the European Parliament’s resolutions and the best practices of other parliaments and institutions, working in close cooperation with the Committee on Constitutional Affairs and the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Parliament decided that the list of people invited to public meetings, the list of those who attend them and the minutes of such meetings will be made public.

The Special Committee will have to present its final report, focusing on its new tasks, for adoption in plenary by July 2023 at the latest.

