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Answer given by Ms Dalli

on behalf of the European Commission

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The Commission is strongly committed to combat discrimination against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, non-binary, intersex and queer (LGBTIQ) people across the EU, within the powers conferred to it by the Treaties.

The Commission is aware of the concerns raised by the complaint about the ‘LGBT ideology-free zones’ in Poland submitted by ILGA-Europe, Kampania Przeciw Homofobii and Fundacja Równośc.

In order to thoroughly assess the situation in Poland in the light of EU law, the Commission has started a dialogue with the Polish authorities. The Commission’s assessment of the response by the Polish authorities is ongoing.

The Commission will decide on the next steps based on the outcome of the assessment, including the possibility of launching an infringement procedure.