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Dear Minister,
we write to you in the middle of the ongoing legislative procedure on the **Digital Services Act (DSA)**. In the name of **6.126 citizens and researchers and 35 civil society and scientific organizations**, we want to draw your attention to the recent alarming examples of platforms oppressing public interest research about how they influence public debate.

With the DSA, you have the opportunity to grant researchers, journalists, and civil society organizations reliable access to platform data. **The signatories of the attached letter ask you to use this opportunity.**

Please find our **detailed demands** as well as the **full list of signatories attached**. The letter has been addressed to Members of the European Parliament and to representatives of EU Member States involved in the legislative procedure on the DSA.

In case of any questions or feedback, please contact us at policy@algorithmwatch.org.

Yours sincerely,

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