

Other party to the proceedings: European Commission (represented by: C. Georgieva-Kecsmar, K. Herrmann and T. Maxian Rusche, acting as Agents)

Intervener in support of the Commission: French Republic (represented by: D. Colas, E. de Moustier and P. Dodeller, acting as Agents)

Operative part of the order

1. *The appeal is dismissed.*
2. *Alex SCI shall bear its own costs and pay those incurred by the European Commission.*
3. *The French Republic shall bear its own costs.*

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 72, 26.2.2018

Request for a preliminary ruling from the *Chambre disciplinaire de première instance de l'ordre des chirurgiens-dentistes de Midi-Pyrénées (France)* lodged on 24 April 2018 — *Conseil départemental de l'ordre des chirurgiens-dentistes de la Haute-Garonne v RG, RG*

(Case C-296/18)

(2019/C 4/15)

Language of the case: French

Referring court

Chambre disciplinaire de première instance de l'ordre des chirurgiens-dentistes de Midi-Pyrénées

Parties to the main proceedings

Applicant: Conseil départemental de l'ordre des chirurgiens-dentistes de la Haute-Garonne

Defendants: RG, RG

By order of 23 October 2018, the Court (Eighth Chamber) ruled:

Article 8 of Directive 2000/31/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2000 on certain legal aspects of information society services, in particular electronic commerce, in the Internal Market ('Directive on electronic commerce') must be interpreted as precluding national legislation, such as that at issue in the main proceedings, which imposes a general and absolute prohibition of any advertising by members of the dental profession, in that that profession prohibits any recourse to online advertising methods that promotes specific dentists or their company.
