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Upholding the ethical obligations of Members and former Members of the Commission, as established by the Treaties and further clarified in the Code of Conduct for the Members of the Commission, is of major importance for the Commission, as underlined by the President in her Political Guidelines for the Commission.

The Commission trusts in the commitment of its Members and former Members to respect the high ethical standards required from them during and after the end of their mandates. Nevertheless, the Commission takes the recent media reports on Uber seriously and its services are therefore looking into the matter to establish the facts and compliance with the rules applicable at the time, notably the Code of Conduct for Commissioners of 2011. Media reports are indeed not sufficient to draw conclusions.