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EUCOPYRIGHT: Despite a setback in the European Parliament, authors, artists and publishers remain mobilised for the resumption of discussions in September.

The authors, artists and music publishers we represent are very disappointed by the result of the European Parliament's vote on July 5th.

The lobby's violence and the pressure, exerted over the past few days on the MEPs, show that the final text defended by the rapporteur Axel Voss was fair and contained clear and effective provisions guaranteeing an equitable sharing of the value created by the public availability of protected works.

The small gap of 40 votes also justifies that we should again defend copyright and the diversity of the cultural offer in Europe. during the debates that will be restarted in September.

Misinformation, which has blurred the cards by calling liberticidal a democratically debated text, must be strongly opposed.

Authors Right has never been against innovation or freedom of expression; on the contrary, the creation it protects is its most striking extension.

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