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The European Commission accuses Google of abusing its dominant position

It could punish 6,000 million euros

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USPA NEWS - The European Commission has formally accused the Google search engine for abusing its dominant market position, to favor its own products in the Internet searches. Google could be punished by up to 10% of its annual turnover, ie EUR 6,000 million.

In addition, the EC will investigate Google's operating system for mobile phones, Android. The Commission believes that the software giant is abusing its market position by systematically favoring their products in the comparisons are carried out in the pages of results of general searches and looking to guide consumers on the best products and the most popular.

The US multinational now has two months to present arguments and thus defend against the charges, but does not convince those responsible for EC competition could be punished by up to 10% of its annual turnover, ie EUR 6,000 million. Brussels has spent years fighting against what he considered abuses of the software giant in tax matters and competition. Not the first time the EC sanctions the US multinational and now tries to force her to provide a balanced results their Internet searches. Previously, Google was forced to modify some aspects of their service in Europe, for example to remove links to published by European media news, not being willing to pay publishers for publishing content.

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