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FATCA | More evidence from the US underpins need to enforce EU Charter and GDPR

I refer to our previous correspondence, which includes our Access to Documents Request (together with a timeline and chronology).

For years now, we have been raising concerns about the repercussion of the processing of sensitive personal and financial data under FATCA (as implemented in the EU through bilateral agreements) for individuals' fundamental rights of privacy and data protection.

While politics (and US politics) should not play any role in relation to the application of the EU Charter of fundamental rights and the GDPR, recent shifts in the geopolitical tectonic plates, including reported attacks against the judiciary (), the lack of appropriate data protection safeguards and the lack of independent oversight reinforce the main aim of the GDPR, which was introduced with the stated aim to "give citizens back control over their data" following the Snowden revelations.

In turn, this underpins the overriding public interest in a full and unfettered access to internal EU documents and a full and frank debate over the concerns raised by EU FATCA Petitioners within the EU, which has already been the subject-matter of a negative decision in Belgium.

Best regards,

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FINANCIAL TIMES

US chief justice rebukes Donald Trump after president's threat to impeach judges

John Roberts issues rare statement to say attacks on judicial branch of government are not 'appropriate'



"This judge, like many of the Crooked Judges' I am forced to appear before, should be IMPEACHED!!!" Trump wrote on Tuesday.

"This Radical Left Lunatic of a Judge, a troublemaker and agitator who was sadly appointed by Barack Hussein Obama, was not elected President — He didn't WIN the popular VOTE (by a lot!)," he added.

US Chief Justice John Roberts issued a rare public rebuke to Donald Trump over the president's threat to impeach federal judges, saying such remarks were "not an appropriate response" to disagreements over their rulings.

The chief justice's intervention came shortly after the president attacked a judge on his Truth Social platform on Tuesday, in an apparent response to a ruling that had attempted to block deportations of alleged Venezuelan gang members.

There is a limit to how much pressure judges can take. When the president, the vice-president, JD Vance, the shadow president, Elon Musk, and Maga's echo chamber starting with Fox News call for the impeachment of judges, it is time to take notice. Note that