

'U.K. should have tougher rules on FB'

The U.K. government should increase oversight of social media platforms like Facebook and of election campaigns to protect democracy in the digital age, a parliamentary committee has recommended in a scathing report on fake news, data misuse and interference by Russia.

The interim report by the House of Commons' media committee said that democracy is facing a crisis. The committee recommended that the British government increase the power of the Information Commissioner's Office to regulate social media sites, update electoral laws to reflect modern techniques, and increase the transparency of political advertising on social media.

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