

Tim Cook Expresses EU Concerns to Trump via Phone

Description

Donald Trump claimed he recently spoke with Apple's CEO Tim Cook, who expressed concerns about the European Union. Cook reportedly discussed the €13bn fine imposed on Apple by the EU for unpaid taxes. Trump mentioned this in a podcast released on Thursday. Apple and Ireland were in a legal battle over tax issues, with the EU ruling against them. The EU has fined Apple for other infractions as well, including a €1.8bn penalty for breaking music streaming rules.

The EU enforces strict regulations on tech companies through laws like the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), the Digital Markets Act (DMA), and the Digital Services Act to protect consumers and control tech giants. Apple has expressed concerns about opening its app store to third parties as required by the DMA. Additionally, the EU's Artificial Intelligence Act passed this year adds further regulation on tech firms regarding AI products.

Not only Apple, but other tech giants like Meta have faced challenges in complying with EU regulations, causing delays in product rollouts. These regulatory uncertainties are impacting the tech industry in Europe. Apple announced that some AI features will not be available on iPhones in the EU due to these regulations. The EU aims to ensure transparency and consumer protection in the digital space.

Vocabulary List:

- 1. Regulation /ˌrɛgjʊˈleɪʃən/ (noun): A rule or directive made and maintained by an authority.
- 2. Compliance /kəmˈplaɪəns/ (noun): The act of conforming to a rule such as a law or regulation.
- 3. Imposed /Im'powzd/ (verb): To establish or apply (a rule or penalty) by authority.
- 4. Concerns /kən'ssrnz/ (noun): Worries or anxieties regarding a particular issue.
- 5. Infractions /In'fræk(ənz/ (noun): Violations of a law or rule.
- 6. Penalties /'pɛnəlti:z/ (noun): Punishments imposed for breaking a law rule or contract.

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What is the term for the release of gases into the atmosphere?

Option: A) Greenhouse Option: B) Sustainable Option: C) Emissions



Option: D) Anesthesia

2. What describes the state of requiring immediate action or attention?

Option: A) Regulation Option: B) Authority Option: C) Urgency Option: D) Recovery

3. What term refers to the act of conforming to a rule command or request?

Option: A) Turnaround Option: B) Compliance Option: C) Integration Option: D) Demand

4. What describes the state of being responsible for something or someone?

Option: A) Misinformation Option: B) Accountable Option: C) Infrastructure Option: D) Concerns

5. What are the consequences or fines for not adhering to laws or regulations?

Option: A) Regulating Option: B) Imposed Option: C) Penalties Option: D) Facility

6. What term refers to the general weather conditions of a region over a long period?

Option: A) Regulation Option: B) Climate Option: C) Compliance Option: D) Turnaround

7. What is the process of controlling or maintaining the proper functioning of something?

Option: A) Facility
Option: B) Regulating
Option: C) Infractions
Option: D) Turnaround

8. What refers to the basic physical and organizational structures and facilities needed for the operation of

a society or enterprise?

Option: A) Turnaround Option: B) Recovery Option: C) Infrastructure



Option: D) Authority

9. What term describes a process of completely changing a situation so that it improves?

Option: A) Demand Option: B) Compliance Option: C) Turnaround Option: D) Enhance

10. Which neurotransmitter is often associated with regulating mood and behavior?

Option: A) Anxiety Option: B) Serotonin Option: C) Recovery Option: D) Demand

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

| 11. The | for eco-friendly products is increasing | due to growing environmental |
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| awareness. | | |
| 12. Penalties may be | on companies that do no | ot comply with emission regulations. |
| 13. To stay competitive business | ses need to constantly | their products and services |
| 14. Government | are necessary to ensure fair o | competition in markets. |
| 15. The new manufacturing | is equipped with the | he latest technology. |
| 16. Many people experience feel | lings of when t | faced with uncertain situations. |
| 17. It is important to fact-check information to prevent the spread of | | |
| 18. Political | can have significant economic imp | olications for a country. |
| 19. Environmental | are driving the push for mo | re sustainable practices. |
| 20. Investments in | development are crucial for | r economic growth. |
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Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)



- 21. Creating a environment involves using resources wisely to meet current needs withoutcompromising the future.
- 22. Digital offer convenient ways to connect users and providers of goods and services.
- 23. The local government has the to enforce zoning regulations in the city.
- 24. After the accident the survivor felt confused and .
- 25. Listening to soothing music can have a effect on one's nerves.
- 26. The patient is showing signs of steady after the surgery.
- 27. Effective of the financial industry is crucial to maintaining stability in the economy.
- 28. Setting clear helps organizations focus their efforts toward achieving specific goals.
- 29. The of various departments within the company improved overall efficiency.
- 30. Repeated traffic may result in a suspension of the driver's license.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. C) Emissions 2. C) Urgency 3. B) Compliance 4. B) Accountable 5. C) Penalties 6. B)

Climate 7. B) Regulating 8. C) Infrastructure 9. C) Turnaround 10. B) Serotonin

Gap-Fill: 11. demand 12. imposed 13. enhance 14. regulations 15. facility 16. anxiety 17. misinformation

18. unrest 19. concerns 20. infrastructure

Matching sentence: 1. Sustainable 2. Platforms 3. Authority 4. Disoriented 5. Calming 6. Recovery 7.

Regulation 8. Targets 9. Integration 10. Infractions

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1. Sci/Tech - LEVEL3

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