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## E.U.'s New Digital Czar: 'Most Powerful Regulator of Big Tech on the Planet' | The New York Times

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BRUSSELS — For five years, <u>Margrethe Vestager</u> was the scourge of Silicon Valley, levying billions of dollars in fines and initiating investigations against Google, Apple and Facebook for violating antitrust laws and harming consumers.

As the European Union's competition commissioner, she and her army of lawyers became heroes to many critics of Big Tech, even as they were loathed in some corporate offices and in the White House.

"She hates the United States," President Trump said, "perhaps worse than any person I've ever met."

On Tuesday, Ms. Vestager assumed more power than ever, expanding her portfolio to become the equivalent of the European Union's digital czar.

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