

# Uganda Imposes WhatsApp and Facebook Tax 'To Stop Gossip' | BBC News

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Uganda's parliament has passed a law to impose a controversial tax on people using social media platforms.

It imposes a 200 shilling [\$0.05, £0.04] daily levy on people using internet messaging platforms like Facebook, WhatsApp, Viber and Twitter.

President Yoweri Museveni had pushed for the changes, arguing that social media encouraged gossip.

The law should come into effect on 1 July but there remain doubts about how it will be implemented.

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