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• UKIP MEP Stuart Agnew has submitted a written question to the European Commission about talks in which the EU took part, on an Anti Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA).

The EU represented the member states in the discussions and participating countries were the USA, Canada, Japan, Mexico, New Zealand, South Korea and Morocco.

Mr Agnew said: "The secretive nature of the talks has attracted widespread international criticism and there is a great deal of concern that the agreement may include a draconian approach to the internet with powers being taken to disconnect people and much greater legal liability being placed upon internet service providers for the activities of their customers. That these talks were held in such a secretive way is disturbing enough but when you add the fact that Britain was not allowed to represent itself, while South Korea and Morocco could and you realise how humbled our nation has become by EU membership".

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