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### **KCC CARRIES OUT EDUCATION FOR OVERSEAS INTERNET OPERATORS TO PREVENT CIRCULATION OF DIGITAL SEX CRIME MATERIALS**

*- To raise effectiveness of education through English language website and educational videos -*

Beginning on Tuesday, October 12, the Korea Communications Commission (KCC, Chairman Han Sang-hyuk) will begin online education for overseas Internet operators on preventing the circulation of illegally filmed materials.

Last year's amendments to the Telecommunications Business Act and the Act on Promotion of Information and Communications Network Utilization and Information Protection, Etc. strengthened the responsibility on Internet operators to delete and prevent circulation of illegally filmed materials. Web hard operators and Internet operators\* whose sales are at least 1 billion Korean won or whose average number of users per day is at least 100,000 persons are required to designate a 'person responsible for preventing the circulation of illegally filmed materials' and receive at least two hours of education required by law every year.

\* Social media, community sites, video streaming sites, search engines, etc.

Domestic operators began receiving the education at the end of July, and an English language educational site was created to improve the effectiveness of education for overseas operators.

Overseas operators who are subject to this education are those who provide services in Korea to a daily average of at least 100,000 users, such as Google, Facebook, Twitter, Microsoft, TikTok, WeChat, Pinterest, and Twitch. The ‘person responsible for preventing the circulation of illegally filmed materials’ of these companies must log into the educational website (<http://edu-addtelen.ekcls.kr>) and complete the educational course using the account assigned to them beforehand.

KCC Consumer Policy Bureau Director General Kim Jae-cheol commented, “this educational course will help Internet operators fulfill their legal obligations, including technical and managerial measures to prevent the circulation of illegally filmed materials or submitting a transparency report.” He added, “moving forward, the KCC will continue to provide information and publicity, as well as materials so that overseas operators can join the effort to prevent circulation of illegally filmed materials.”

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