

Hewlett Packard Romania hit by anti-trust probe

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The Romanian unit of US computer giant Hewlett Packard is under investigation for possible abuse of its dominant market position, the Romanian anti-trust watchdog said on Wednesday.

HP's offices in Romania were raided by investigators and documents seized, the country's national competition council said in statement.

"We suspect HP Romania of possibly abusing its <u>dominant position</u> through discriminatory behaviour towards certain partners and contractors," the council's head Bogdan Chiritoiu said.

The alleged abuse involves supplies and parts for computer printers, he said.

If the infractions are proven, HP Romania could face fines as high as 10 percent of total sales, the watchdog said.

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