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to the Commission**

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Subject: The possibility of financing the redevelopment of the Latoszyn Zdrój spa from EU funds

Efforts to revitalise the spa in Latoszyn, in the Dębica municipality of the Podkarpackie Voivodeship, have been underway for over a decade. In the 19<sup>th</sup> century, the Spa and Bathing Institute known as 'Latoszyńskie Łazienki' operated here, and the village was famous for its unconventional methods for treating illnesses. Its sulphate waters cured diseases of the joints, bones and skin, paralysis and muscle weakness. This vibrant centre was almost entirely destroyed during the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War.

The analyses and documents required by law and the sites of the future resort have already been prepared. Consent has been obtained and designs for a natural therapy and rehabilitation institute as well as a sanatorium have been prepared. The creation of a spa will give rise to substantial benefits not only for the development of the municipality but for practically the entire sub-region and even the Voivodeship.

The problem is financing. One of the options anticipates the use of EU funds. However, it is apparent from information provided by the Marshal's Office of the Podkarpackie Voivodeship that the European Commission refused to grant consent to support the budget for the spa in Latoszyn during negotiations concerning the Regional Operational Programme for the Podkarpackie Voivodeship for the years 2014-2020.

In connection with the foregoing, I pose the following questions:

1. What were the reasons for the Commission's negative opinion regarding financing for the spa in Latoszyn from Regional Operational Programme funds?
2. Is there any possibility of financing the redevelopment (revitalisation) of the spa in Latoszyn from EU funds? What conditions must be met for the project to be financed from EU funds?