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to the Commission**

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Subject: Demographic change over the next 20 to 30 years

Various analyses and projections of population developments, as well as troubling statistical trends identified by European and international institutions, show worrying demographic trends, particularly in the EU's southern and south-eastern Member States. Somewhat more favourable trends are however apparent in the EU's north-western Member States. Depopulation, migration, ageing and low birth rates may pose a long-term threat to the stable and balanced development of all parts of the EU over the next 20 to 30 years.

How is the Commission tackling these demographic challenges, and what measures is it working on that take into account the need for long-term strategic action over the next 20 to 30 years?