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Subject: Economic crisis

The economic crisis has, of course, affected the whole world, and in particular developed countries, including all EU Member States. People are very worried that incomes will fall and also about jobs which are steadily disappearing. It is difficult to gauge the duration and the gravity of the crisis, and citizens are palpably worried.

In view of the above, will the Commission say:

1. Apart from the ad hoc actions taken by each State to mitigate the effects of the crisis, does a common action plan exist to limit its impact and, in particular, to safeguard as far as possible the jobs of European citizens and to reduce unemployment?
2. How many Europeans have lost their jobs and how are these job losses distributed proportionally among EU Member States?