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According to the European External Action Service, there are 250 Chinese and 200 Russian spies operating in cafés and restaurants around the European institutions in Brussels. After the 2003 scandal over hidden microphones in the European Council building, this new revelation demonstrates the importance of protecting information on sensitive European Union subjects. Since members of the European institutions are sometimes accustomed to meeting outside the institutions, how can they be made aware of this issue during their discussions?

What does the Commission intend to do to raise awareness among staff members of the European institutions on this subject in order to protect the interests of the European Union?