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to the Commission
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Subject: Secondary effects of climate change

Climate change is increasing the frequency and intensity of extreme weather conditions worldwide. The summer of 2019 was the hottest on record, with heatwaves and droughts, wildfires and low river levels across Europe. These extreme weather conditions have also frequently disrupted critical infrastructure and basic essential services, changing the way people live and work. How is the Commission dealing with the secondary effects of climate change that have an impact on the performance of all industries and infrastructure, such as agriculture, energy, transport, tourism and access to health, water and food, including the security of our external borders.

What steps is the Commission planning to take to help Member States adapt better and prepare more for the new climate and weather conditions in the years to come?