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Subject: EU agriculture during the Covid-19 crisis

The food manufacturing industry represented by FoodDrinkEurope, the farmers’ association COPA-COGECA, and Celca, the European Liaison Committee for Agricultural and Agri-Food Trade, published a statement on 19 March 2020 urging the Commission to ensure that the industry can continue to operate undisturbed. In his letter to the 27 ministers for agriculture, Commissioner Wojciechowski expressed serious concerns about the impact of the Covid-19 crisis on the agri-food sector. The Commissioner called for flexibility and responsiveness in the coming weeks.

1. Could the Commission provide more details on the measures it has prepared to prevent disruption to the agri-food sector?

2. What will it suggest the Member States do to ensure continuity in the agri-food sector?