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to the Commission**

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Subject: New wave of COVID-19 cases

We read every day that a new wave of COVID-19 cases will probably hit, most likely in autumn, which is also when schools should reopen.

In a letter to Commission President Ursula von der Leyen on ensuring that the EU is prepared for future pandemics, the leaders of Germany and France and of Denmark, Spain, Belgium and Poland set out a harmonised and comprehensive plan for tackling the next wave and any future pandemics. These proposals include centralising, constantly monitoring and comparing data.

Given that preparing for the above possibility is key to preventing a worse crisis than the current one:

1. What measures will the Commission take to immediately contain any outbreaks?
2. What tools does it plan to use to protect and safeguard Europeans' health?
3. Taking into account its competences, what direction does it plan to take on processing data, presumably including health data?