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Subject: Harmonisation of measures against COVID-19 and for mobility

The right of people freely to move around the European Union has been undermined by COVID-19.

The restoration of mobility would signal the start of the economic recovery and recovery in sectors such as tourism, which is a fundamental pillar of the EU's economy and of the internal market.

The Member States have only taken measures unilaterally since the pandemic broke out, leaving travellers and businesses feeling confused. For their part, the Commission and Parliament have put forward a number of initiatives to encourage tourism's recovery and guarantee the safety of the public, although these are not binding. It is now vital that Member States have coordinated, uniform and accessible measures in place that will send travellers and businesses a message of confidence and legal certainty.

Adoption of the digital green certificate will be a step forward in this regard.

However:

What impact will adoption of this have on the rights of consumers and the legal certainty of businesses?

What steps will be taken to ensure that the Member States adopt coordinated and uniform measures?

What other measures are planned to ensure tourists are able to move freely and safely within the Schengen area?