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to the Commission**

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Subject: Need for Commission action to prevent resurgence of measles in Europe

According to data released by the World Health Organisation, deaths from measles are rapidly on the rise, with a surge in the number of countries reporting outbreaks 37 from 22 in 2021. Medical agencies say the sharp increase in cases (around 40% more than last year) is attributable to the steady decline in measles vaccination coverage.

Although most of the epidemics recorded occurred in Africa, South-East Asia and Latin America, the possibility of an outbreak happening in Europe cannot be ruled out.

Can the Commission therefore say what measures it intends to take to prevent a resurgence of measles in Europe?

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