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Subject: EU Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change

On 24 February 2021, the Commission adopted a new EU Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change, which outlines how to prepare for the inevitable consequences of climate change.

The Commission says that it will continue to mainstream climate resilience into all relevant policy areas. It will support the further development and implementation of adaptation strategies and plans, taking into account three cross-cutting priorities: integrating climate change adaptation into macrofiscal policy, nature-based solutions for adaptation and local adaptation action.

Commissioner Timmermans said: 'We also need to consider the impact of climate change on fiscal policies. (...) The climate protection gap across Europe is still high, and too often the financial burden of natural disasters falls on uninsured families and businesses or public finances.'

In connection with the above:

- 1. What is the timetable for adaptation action?
- 2. What are the funding sources for the new strategy?
- 3. How does the Commission intend to bridge the gap between the planning and implementation of adaptation?