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Dear President von der Leyen,

I am writing from the Pandemic Action Network following our letter to you last week (attached to the forwarded email below) to thank you for the amazing leadership you showed on Saturday. We partnered with Global Citizen to help with advocacy efforts and with coordinating CSO partners. I am very grateful to your excellent team for taking time to brief CSOs even in the busy run up to the event. My reflections on the summit can be found in our blog:

https://pandemicactionnetwork.org/press-release/what-happened-global-citizen-and-european-commissions-global-goal-unite-for-our-future/

The afternoon was fantastic, and your comments at the end that you are "in this for the long term" and will use Europe's convening power "for the common good" did not go unnoticed - we would very much like to work with you to make sure that the ACT accelerator is fully funded as soon as possible and to step up efforts for long term pandemic preparedness and prevention. We would also welcome as much information as possible on the Team Europe pledge of €4.9bn from the EIB which we think is a potentially a very positive step (assuming terms beneficial to developing countries) and we hope opens the door for much bolder international support from the EU as a whole towards the global response.

We are also keen to kick off a longer term costing of what it will take to rid the world of pandemics once and for all- and it would be great if we could work with you to bring along like-minded world leaders to at least start the process of planning that costing and recovery for the poorest in the world, ideally by UNGA. Our call for a global plan to make sure this never happens again needs a costing as well as international principles to embed equity in the new political landscape in which we find ourselves.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss these issues, and more, with you at your earliest convenience, hopefully before the summer break.

Many thanks again, Madam President, and we look forward to hearing from you.

Very best wishes