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Dear [REDACTED],
This would be for registration please.
Thank you,
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Dear Per

I hope this email finds you well – looking forward to following up on the Global Health Summit preparations.

I'm writing today in advance of the European Council meeting next week with a letter for the attention of President von der Leyen on behalf of the Pandemic Action Network.

In this letter, we urge the European Council to take action to take the fight against COVID to another level and start seeing the end of the pandemic as soon as possible. Our recommendations include:

- Fully funding the ACT-Accelerator, including the Therapeutics and Diagnostics pillars which are particularly underfunded – while the President has led by example on this, there are still some member states that can be encouraged to donate their 'fair share' towards the funding target and the European Council could be a good moment for this.
- Start to donate vaccine doses to Low- and Lower-Middle Income Countries as soon as possible – behind the scenes planning early will be vital for the success of the world's global vaccination rollout, even though supplies are scarce for all right now.
- Start preparing for the future by committing to a funding mechanism for pandemic preparedness and prevention.

As intimated above, we understand the extreme sensitivity around vaccine allocation and supply at the moment - but as European politicians have been saying consistently, without global action we will be in a perpetual pandemic, and we need to organise for excess doses purchased by rich countries to be deployed to maximum efficacy to beat the global pandemic. Without such action we could risk stocks of vaccines passing their sell-by dates in rich countries while countries around the world are still ravaged by the disease. For that reason, we urge that the detailed *planning* on donating all excess doses needs to

start now (even though the notion of excess seems far away right now, that moment will come and needs to be planned for) working closely with COVAX.

We also cannot afford to await until this pandemic has subsided until we work to prevent future pandemics – we have a suggestion for an initial pandemic preparedness funding mechanism which has some traction with the US. We look forward to building on this by working together on emerging Treaty on the broader range of issues we need to get right in future – including equitable access to vaccines.

Many thanks for your attention to our letter, and good luck with preparations for the leaders' Summit next week.

We are keen to work with you on all these issues, and on those around the Global Health Summit.

All best wishes,

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