Dear colleagues,

Please find enclosed the report from the above-mentioned meeting.

Kind regards,

On behalf of John

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Report from an online meeting between John F Ryan and [redacted], a representative from McKinsey on the topic of lessons learnt from the Covid outbreak, and on AMR, 6th October 2020

This meeting was requested by McKinsey following their interview with J Ryan as part of their evaluation of ECDC performance during the Covid pandemic.

Main points on pandemic:

The EU aims to build on the current legal and financial arrangements with a view to strengthening and coordinating EU-wide response to cross-border health threats. The legal proposals are supposed to be finalised in November and submitted to the European Parliament and Council for approval.

The role of the EU is to establish clear legislative obligations and to support member states in their implementation, among others, supporting through EU financial instruments such as Digital Europe or EU Health Programme.

Our priority is to gain support from the member states to ensure timely implementation of our new proposal to strengthen our response to emerging threats.

The proposal will focus on a number of gaps which need to be addressed:

Increased preparedness
Integrated risk assessment

Strengthening enforcement of response measures

Increasing EMA and ECDC tasks, budget and workforce and fostering broader cooperation between various agencies involved.

**AMR:**

indicated that he has worked on AMR with several governments and agencies. JFR indicated that an EU Action plan on antimicrobial resistance is already in place along with a roadmap setting out responsibilities for follow up. The EU cooperates with other global organisations such as the OIE, WHO and TATFAR to fight against AMR.

In conclusion, McKinsey offered to send examples of projects on which they had worked in the past to JFR in case opportunities for consultancy contracts arise in the future.