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Dear Mr Speaker,

On 12-13 October 2020 the European Parliament's Environment and Public Health Committee (ENVI) addresses the most serious political, societal and health issue of our time: how to prevent a next pandemic or, worse, two pandemics attacking our societies simultaneously.

Please find attached our letter to ENVI with links for your perusal and support. Among us, loved ones have been victimised by both Covid-19 and AMR. There is even a scientifically proven direct link between them.

Experience teaches us we should avoid making the same mistake twice. The European Union needs a new top body, led by Heads of State and Government, with its own Science and Civic Society Advisory Council, with its own budget and with its own staff with the sole goal to prevent, and if that fails, to rapidly build up complete preparedness. Having studied the matter in-depth and having learnt from post-World War II Deterrence, Forward Defence and Preparedness, we give for your consideration to adapt the current 2013 European Health Security Committee from an advisory and bureaucratic body into Europe's flagship European Heads of State and Government Health Security Committee as described.

Moreover, in all of our countries small but loud minorities inspired by internet sources require the most authoritative and civic society-driven information sources to fully understand the severity of the effort to not just stop Covid-19 but prevent the next one, including seriously limiting access to antibiotics. To be sure, if the European Union fails to address this truly common and cross-boundary threat, what will convince our constituencies that the European Union is there for them?

Thank you very much for sharing this letter with all Members of Parliament. We look forward to any response and we are at your availability for further information. Please also refer to www.stopAMR.eu

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Mark Eyskens
Chairman
Former Prime Minister of Belgium

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Vice Chairman
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Attachment: Copy of our letter to the Members of ENVI, 12 October 2020