

Ursula von der Leyen The President

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Dear Secretary,

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to you for participating in the Coronavirus Global Response international pledging conference on 4 May 2020. Your contribution was key in making this such a successful and fruitful event.

I believe that this was an important moment for the global community, as we demonstrated unity and determination in the fight against the coronavirus. We collectively pledged ϵ 7.4 billion, a remarkable achievement. I am convinced that this will give real momentum to the global effort to accelerate the development and global access to vaccines, therapeutics and diagnostics. It would not have been possible without you, your leadership and your compassion.

Of course, more will be needed in the coming months, and the outcome of the pledging event is only an important down payment to driving this most pressing of global causes forward at the pace and scale needed.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Ursula von der Leven