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Dear Chair,

The Commission would like to thank the Kamra tad-Deputati for its Opinion on the proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the establishment of a Programme for the Union's action in the field of health for the period 2021-2027 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 282/2014 ("EU4Health Programme") {COM(2020) 405 final}.

The Commission appreciates that the Kamra tad-Deputati decided to analyse this proposal and welcomes the conclusion that it complies with the principle of subsidiarity. The EU4Health proposal respects the area of responsibility of Member States, including their role in devising their health policies, and will complement national policies in line with Article 168 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union by funding support actions with EU-wide value.

On 21 July the European Council reached an agreement on the future Multiannual Financial Framework and the Recovery Plan, which will have an important role in sustaining those actions.

The Commission is confident that the EU4Health programme will involve Member States beyond programme implementation and will strengthen the resilience of the Union as a whole and of the health systems in the Member States to better withstand health crises in the future.

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The Commission believes that the political dialogue with national Parliaments is essential for linking the Institutions and the citizens of the European Union, and looks forward to continuing it with the Kamra tad-Deputati in the future.

Yours faithfully,

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