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to the Commission
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Subject: EU solidarity is urgently needed to help the Spanish flood victims and repair the damage caused

We are witnessing a distressing situation among the Spanish political parties, let alone the tragic loss of over 200 lives. Recent severe weather has caused catastrophic flooding across several regions, giving rise to doubts about the adequacy of flood prevention measures for towns and villages and concerns about the support available for all the people affected. Many citizens feel that current flood prevention efforts are not fully addressing local community needs.

In view of this, the Commission is asked to address the following:

1. There is uncertainty about how EU funds allocated for flood prevention in these high-risk areas have been used. Will there be an investigation into whether river basin management plans and flood risk management plans have been reviewed adequately?

2. What support or guidance is the Commission providing to Member States and regional authorities to ensure that flood prevention planning addresses residents' real needs and safety, and are there EU initiatives focused on promoting flood resilience that is tailored to communities?

3. How does the Commission respond to requests to use recovery funds to provide flood victims with swift, substantial aid to repair damage caused to homes, businesses, crops and livestock, and to support public health measures, additional hospital resources and urgently needed flood prevention work?

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