



To Roberta Metsola,  
President of the European Parliament

To the Presidents of the EP political  
groups: EPP, S&D, GUE, Greens and  
Renew

Brussels, 10 February 2022

Dear Presidents,

We welcome the recent discussions on the establishment of a special committee on COVID-19. We believe that this committee could prove highly important for European citizens; to shed light on the tragedies of the past two years and to build a more resilient Europe for the future.

As the most representative organisations of workers and users in long term care facilities/ the care sector, we previously gathered many MEPs from five major political groups to look into the impact of COVID-19 on long term care facilities across Europe. These facilities were strongly affected by the pandemic and we now call on you to ensure that the new committee mandate includes the impact of the pandemic on long-term care facilities, their residents and their workers. The results of this work will enable the EU and Member States to be better prepared in the future. We cannot ignore these people that has seen so much misery.

Thank you,

Yours Sincerely,

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General Secretary  
European Public Service Unions

Maciej Kucharczyk  
General Secretary  
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