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Dear Sirs,

I thank you for your letter dated 30 March 2023 addressed to President von der Leyen and Director-General Gauer in which you are bringing to our attention your concerns related to the revision of the health and digital transformation components of Romania's recovery and resilience plan (RRP). The President and Ms Gauer asked me to reply on their behalf.

The Commission is well aware of Romania's need to improve access to, and cost-efficiency of, healthcare. Strengthening the resilience of the health system and improving access to health services are long-standing country-specific recommendations addressed to Romania. Therefore, we were very pleased to see that Romania committed under the RRP to implement a comprehensive health system reform and an ambitious investment plan meant to address key challenges in the health system. As you have rightly pointed out in your letter, challenges in the health system are also addressed by connected reforms and investments included in the RRP, such as the digital transformation related ones.

I would like to reassure you that the Commission services remind Member States, including Romania, of the importance to ensure that the existing reform component of the plan remains unaffected by the revision. Furthermore, we are also in a continuous dialogue on the opportunity and feasibility of the removal of various investments from the plan.

Finally, I would like to underline that the Commission attaches great importance to the stakeholders' consultation during the implementation of the plan. Therefore, I was pleased to read about your constant support to the Government of Romania for the successful implementation of the RRP. I would like to encourage you to keep engaging proactively in a constructive dialogue with the Romanian authorities and continue to discuss with the decision makers the policy choices that you consider important to be adopted in the health sector.

Yours faithfully,

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