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Dear Members.

You will be happy to know that over the weekend we have managed to have the **first framework contract signed** for PPE. It covers surgical masks, goggles and face shields. Since the company is ranked first in the framework contract cascade, this means that the procedure for placing orders can start.

(Please remember that this does not mean that you can access a ready-made stock currently sitting in a warehouse. It rather means that the company can be requested to start producing and to send batches regularly, according to the delivery scheduled they have proposed in their bid).

Your placement of orders will now allow your countries to access this manufacturing capacity in a **manner that promotes solidarity**. In that respect, we recall the proposal of the Commission for a means to ensure a delivery of materials to member states most in need at the earliest date.

Best regards.

**HSC Secretariat**