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The Honourable Member of the European Parliament's attention is drawn to the fact that the aim of the EU Anti-racism action plan 2020-2025 is to tackle all forms of racism.

It is a priority for the Commission to engage with and learn from people experiencing everyday racism and discrimination. This is why the Commission has appointed an Anti-Racism Coordinator who liaises regularly with civil society organisations, Member States' administration, the European Parliament and other stakeholders. To support this process, the Commission, has established a permanent forum of anti-racism civil society organisations via a call for expression of interest to establish a platform for dialogue across all the relevant civil society organisations. The forum was launched in October 2021. Anti-racism civil society organisations participate in consultation processes to monitor the implementation of the EU Anti-racism action plan 2020-2025. All relevant information on current members and activities is publicly accessible on the Commission website¹. A new call for expression of interest to participate in the permanent forum will be launched in spring 2023.

 $^{^{1}\ \}underline{\text{https://ec.europa.eu/info/policies/justice-and-fundamental-rights/combatting-discrimination/racism-and-xenophobia/consultation-process}\ \underline{\text{en}}$