<u>Article – European Parliament ready to</u> <u>play its part in mitigating Covid-19</u> <u>impact</u>



Support for regions

Part of the EU response will be to amend funding rules, which must be approved by both the Parliament and the Council. Parliament's <u>regional</u> <u>development committee aims to conclude its examination of the proposal as</u> <u>quickly as possible</u>. The measure would mean it would be easier to channel funding to affected areas and sectors.

Additional resources

Parliament's <u>budget committee</u> also <u>committed to deal with all initiatives to</u> <u>mitigate the impact of the outbreak as quickly as possible</u>.

Measures to ease impact on aviation industry

The Commission has proposed suspending EU rules obliging airlines to operate most of their take-off and landing slots. Companies need to do so to avoid losing them, but in the current situation, the rules has led to so-called ghost flights with few passengers.

Parliament's transport committee welcomed the plans and pledged to work on

the legislation as quickly as possible.