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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on vaccination programmes suited to ageing populations

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on vaccination programmes that are suited to an ageing population

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 168 TFEU,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas in an ageing European population, people aged 65 and older would represent 28.7% of the EU-28 population in 2080, compared to 18.5% in 2014 (Eurostat);
- B. whereas this ageing of European demographics should lead to an increase in health expenditures borne by Member States, and whereas, according to the OECD (2013), total healthcare and long-term treatment expenses could more than double to reach nearly 14% of the GDP in OECD countries by 2060, compared to 6% between 2006 and 2010;
- C. whereas an ageing population, among other things, requires an adaptation of healthcare and medical systems, such as vaccination against pathologies that frequently occur among older people;
- D. whereas effective vaccines are available against pathologies that first of all affect older people, in particular zona, flu and diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough;
- 1. Encourages the Commission to issue advisory guidelines on vaccinations that are adapted to an ageing European population.