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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on additional vaccinations being forced on patients as a result of shortages of
trivalent and tetravalent vaccines

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on additional vaccinations being forced on patients as a result of shortages of trivalent and tetravalent vaccines

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 168 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas recurrent shortages of the tetravalent vaccines DTP-pertussis are leading to the widespread use of pentavalent and hexavalent vaccines, while patients do not necessarily consent to also receiving a fifth vaccination, against *Haemophilus influenzae* type b, which can cause bacterial meningitis, or a sixth, against hepatitis B;
- B. whereas the World Health Organisation (WHO) has consistently stressed how important it is for patients to consent to any medical procedure, including vaccinations;
- C. whereas the two aforementioned additional vaccinations are not compulsory in most Member States;
- 1. Encourages the Commission to condemn these additional vaccinations being forced on patients as a result of shortages of trivalent and tetravalent vaccines;
- 2. Urges the Commission, likewise, to support and supplement the measures taken by Member States to encourage laboratories to remedy such shortages, for which they are responsible.