Question for written answer E-001978/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 Mireille D'Ornano (ENF)

Subject: Vaccination against mumps

The number of mumps cases in the 28 EU Member States totalled 11 069 in 2014. According to the 2010 VENICE II report, vaccination coverage ranges between 82% and 100% (first dose) and between 79% and 99.3% (second dose) in 25 Member States.

However, a British study (2004-2005) shows that the effectiveness of vaccination drops from 98.8% after the second dose to 86.4% ten years later. The European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control is aware that most sufferers in 2014 had been vaccinated, a third of them having received two doses.

There have, moreover, been reports of renewed mumps outbreaks. That is why Belgium, for example, introduced a mandatory reporting system in 2012.

- 1. Does the Commission believe that a third dose should be administered for mumps vaccination?
- 2. Will it set up strengthened surveillance arrangements?
- 3. In a report published on 12 February 2013 the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control pointed out that some population groups were at particularly high risk of measles, rubella, and mumps. Regarding these three diseases, what is the Commission's assessment of the health risk stemming from the current migration crisis?

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