



COVID-19 PETITIONS

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Petition No 0256/2020 by Marco Bava (Italian) on the proposal of using ozone air treatment to sanitize air-ducts for preventing the spread of coronavirus

Petition Status: Closed

Petition Summary

The petitioner proposes to make compulsory ozone as a system of automatic air disinfection in air ducts. He thinks that this method can block the spread of the virus indoors. Besides, he proposes using Interpol to make enquiries into potential spreaders of COVID-19.

Petition No 0268/2020 by Renato Lelli (Italian), on behalf of AGSPP “genitori per la pari potesta”, about the serious damage to the Italian image from the false news on the domestic origin of the virus

Petition Status: Closed

Petition Summary

The petitioner complains about the damage to the Italian image and reputation entailing a serious impact on the country’s economy. In particular, he accuses other Member States, for instance France, to have spread false news on the domestic origin of the virus. Besides, he reports, the news (published in « New England Journal of Medecine) about the possible German nationality of the 1st European patient; a 33-year-old businessman, infected during meetings (20/21 of January) at his company near Munich, from a Shanghai business partner, become ill on her flight back to China. Consequently, he is asking the EU to clarify the facts.

Petition No 0269/2020 by Jonathan Beedell (British) on help to protect the residents and asylum seekers from Covid-19 in the Aegean islands

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner calls on the EU to do much more to protect refugees and asylum seekers in the Aegean islands. In particular, he insist that EU countries each take a fair share of child refugees and urgently implement the necessary health measures to protect the safety, health, security and rights of all those in the camps, as well as local residents, and prevent the spread of diseases, including Covid-19.

Petition No 0281/2020 by R. L. (Italian), on behalf of AGSPP “genitori per la pari potesta”, about a minimum 15 -day Coronavirus lockdown in all EU Member States.

Petition Status: Closed

Petition Summary

The petitioner, after the WHO Director-General having declared COVID-19 a pandemic (on 11 March), addresses a request for an European lockdown to 5 EU Commissioners : Mr. Janez Lenarčič (Crisis Management), Ms Stella Kyriakides (Health and Food Safety), Ms Ylva Johansson (Home Affairs), Ms Adina Vălean (Transport) and Mr. Paolo Gentiloni (Economy). In particular, his request aims to force all EU MS' Citizens to stay home at minimum 15 days and to reshape the social-economic organisation of their works and activities.

Petition No 0298/2020 by A.K. (Polish) on EU funds to help fighting Covid-19 pandemic

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner in this very succinct petition asks that the European Union's funds released for fighting the Covid-19 pandemic be allocated directly to the local and regional authorities in Poland.

Petition No 0302/2020 by G.S. (German) on guidelines to prevent infection in food product markets

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner suggests a directive at EU level to introduce an architectural model for food product markets that would stay open in cases of emergency. In order to prevent infection through delivery of products food product markets he recommends certain installations and guidelines for a number of food product markets in the region. Among others, clients should only get in contact with the product located behind glass in the moment of withdrawal. These markets should operate fully automated or staff should fill up the product shelves separate from the front glass door.

Petition No 0307/2020 by T.M.F (German) on travel restrictions imposed by the Czech Republic, Poland, Austria and Denmark because of covid-19

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner is inquiring if the travel restrictions imposed by the Czech Republic, Poland, Austria and Denmark because of covid-19 are legal. He is of the opinion that those measures are in breach of the freedom of movement, the basic principle of the European Union and are not justified in case of those Member States. He calls on the Parliament to make those Member States abide the treaties.

Petition No 0312/2020 by M.B. (German) on the Corona state of emergency

Petition Status: Not admissible

Petition Summary

The petitioner is of the opinion that the measures currently introduced at federal and regional level in most of the Member States are not adequate. The Corona virus could be compared with the seasonal flu and does not result in a higher death rate. He calls for ending the drastic measures because they destroy democracy and freedom.

Petition No 0313/2020 by H.N. (Portuguese) on ending offshore tax havens and channelling the money to the economy to address the Covid-19 crisis

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner deplors the existence of offshore tax havens and the lack of political will to fight fraud and tax evasion more effectively. Considering the threat to the world stability posed by the Covid-19 pandemic, he requests immediate and concrete actions to put an end to offshore tax havens and return the money to the European economy to urgently save jobs, families and small and medium-sized companies.

Petition No 0318/2020 by Joel Galvão (Portuguese) on the establishment of a universal basic income to save the European Economy during and after COVID-19

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner claims that a ‘universal basic income’ is the only solution to save the European Economy during and after the pandemic crisis. He calls for the suspension of all credits and rents related to permanent own housing and for unpaid leave for all non-essential professions that cannot operate via telework. He declares that we should follow China’s measures if we want this crisis to have a less damaging impact.

Petition No 0329/2020 by Virginia Fiume (Italian), on behalf of Eumans and others, on empowering the EU to address global challenges, from COVID-19 to social, economic and climate crisis

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioners call the EP to implement adequate mechanisms to resume its work as soon as possible, and to organize a space for the elaboration of all possible instruments, as no state can face Covid-19 alone and the EU needs to take leadership establishing a plan with concrete actions to this global challenge.

The petitioners are of the view that the current EU institutional system has shown its weakness and it needs, with the EP at the forefront, to relaunch the initiative of democratic reform of the EU, in order to make it fit for purpose. The petitioners believe that this reform should consist of five pillars. Those entail a systemic EU response to the Covid-19 crisis, with attention to the emergency measures and respect for the rule of law; the enhancement of the EU healthcare and civic protection instruments and competences to respond to outbreaks; the implementation of all economic, financial and monetary policy measures allowing to unlock resources and EU measures to support citizens with the consequences of the pandemic; the concept for the first stages of the Conference on the Future of Europe reshaped into a public online assembly; a global mechanism to prevent and face epidemics and pandemics.

Petition No 0333/2019 by Michel Simixis (Belgian) on a proposal for Treaty Reform in view of dealing with the Covid-19 caused economic crisis

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner explains that due to the Covid-19 crisis, and pre-existing economic problems, a 40% degree of unemployment as well as hyperinflation might be looming.

In his view, the EU should deal with this challenge by a Treaty change, with three indivisible components: the setting up a fiscal Union, a universal minimum income guaranteed by the EU and a neutral EU army.

The petitioner reasons that the fiscal Union is needed for the general funding of these policies, but in order to make it politically viable, he believes that this should be linked with an EU funded minimum income in order to avoid reluctance by nationalistic tendencies in society. Hyperinflation and unemployment, as well as the consequences of the AI-revolution add to the need of this minimum income. Eventually a neutral EU army should, according to the petitioner be made part of this deal.

Petition No 0334/2020 by María Cristina Cores (Spanish) on how the European Union has reacted to the COVID-19 outbreak

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner, after mentioning the different international, European and Spanish legislation related to fundamental rights where the right to health is stated and guaranteed, requests the European Union to inform what has the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control done in relation to COVID-19. The petitioner specifically requests what reports and indications has the ECDPC given to Spain and when did it give them. The petitioner wonders whether the European Union has failed to react.

Petition No 0335/2020 by María Itamar Rodríguez Díez (Spanish) on the management of cancelled flights and trips by airline carriers and travel agencies during the COVID-19 outbreak

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner explains that on July 2019 she bought a trip with flights and hotel to New York for 12 people. Due to the exceptional circumstances of the coronavirus pandemic, they are unable to travel to New York on April 9. Iberia, the airline carrier offers the petitioner the option of exchanging the contracted flight plus hotel trip for a voucher with a deadline until December 31, 2020. The petitioner denounces that airline companies offer voucher options on the dates they decide, profiting of the legal vacuum, the petitioner finds that the rates have increased excessively, so that in addition to consuming the voucher they must pay more to be able to make the same trip on the dates that the company allows them. The petitioner considers that her rights as consumer are run over. According to the petitioner, some airlines are taking advantage of the uncertainty to ignore consumer requests, offering vouchers at best, without any European legal regulation, to the prejudice of users and consumers. The petitioner requests the intervention of the European Parliament, to regulate this situation that adds to the uncertainty that she has for the health of our relatives, she suggests to be given a voucher but without a deadline.

Petition No 0345/2020 by João Paulo Pereira (Portuguese) on the state of emergency created by the COVID 19

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner suggest to create a fund to support the state of emergency created by the decease COVID 19 by all Member States of the European Union.

Petition No 0347/2020 by João Manuel De Almeida Silva (Portuguese) on calling all Member States of the European Union to be united during the COVID-19 outbreak

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner supports the reaction of the Portuguese Prime Minister to the Dutch Minister of Economy's speech on the COVID-19 outbreak, considering it anti-European and undermining the spirit of the European Union. The petitioner considers that there is a real risk for the European Union to break apart in view that the Member States cannot reach an agreement on how they handle this crisis. The petitioner says that many sectors are affected by this situation and that, now more than ever, Member States should steer to the same side, be united and have a single voice. The petitioner stands for a stronger, United European Union and for a better Portugal.

Petition No 0348/2020 by P. C. (Portuguese) on European solidarity to face the decease COVID19 between the Member States

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner want to ask all Europeans Members States to strongly help all the MS in this crisis (Covid-19). Europe, must take advantage and relaunch the Union otherwise, the European spirit will fade. He asks the leaders to have strong positions of unity and support for weak members.

Petition No 0350/2020 by Friedrich Kohle (Dutch) on establishing an EU emergency body to deal with emergencies like the Covid-19 outbreak

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner-in view of future emergencies that may arise- asks the European Parliament to establish emergency laws, which would allow the European Commission to act swiftly during an emergency with or without the agreement of the Council, as the petitioner claims that the current crisis has shown the EU lacks the authority to deal with this crisis effectively. He further adds that such new emergency laws should be limited to the duration of the emergency, allowing the Commission to set up and coordinate emergency procedures across the European Union. Those should serve, for example, to control the flow of food supply across the EU, provide emergency funding for procurement and distribution of medical equipment and EU wide media broadcasting with regular updates on the crisis.

He further suggests that the European Parliament sets up an inquiry on the reactivity of the EU to protect EU citizens at an early stage of the coronavirus outbreak.

Petition No 0351/2020 by Dimitrios Paicopoulos (Greek) on the removal of Josep Borrell as High Representative of the European Union

Petition Status: Closed

Petition Summary

The petitioner calls for the removal of Josep Borrell as High Representative of the European Union because of his allegedly racist comments against the Chinese in a recent statement referring to a geo-political component of the crisis. Furthermore, the petitioner alleges that HR/VP Borrell is trying to stop Chinese medical supplies that are vital to stopping the Covid-19 virus from destroying his home country and killing thousands of people.

Petition No 0352/2020 by Giuliano De Marco (Italian) on the establishment of a European Universal Income as a response to the economic consequences of COVID-19 outbreak

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner calls on the EU to help EU citizens overcome the current emergency and alleviate the economic and social distress resulting from COVID-19 outbreak. For this purpose, the petitioner urges the EU to take swift action to establish a European Universal Income in order to tackle the risks of a social crisis.

Petition No 0355/2020 by J.M.B. (Spanish) on the coronavirus crisis

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner explains that given the COVID-19 crisis that Spain is currently experiencing and its extension to all over Europe in the coming months; he asks the EU to expand the financing of the following EU instruments:

1. Expand the European Social Fund regarding the promotion of social inclusion to fight poverty and in order to promote the social inclusion and employment of citizens in this situation.
2. Expand the LIFE program: promoting funding scientific research by the member states

in order to reduce environmental problems and health of citizens.

3. Innovate through the financial instruments that the European Union has, in order that any European citizen facing this COVID-19 crisis can receive help and protection from Europe.

The petitioner thinks that Europe requires a greater consensus and union to face this global pandemic decease, if not Euroscepticism will rise.

Petition No 0358/2020 by Mario Cardarelli (Italian) on extraordinary budgetary policy measures for unexpected / unavoidable events (Covid-19)

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner invokes Articles 310-316 TFEU, and in particular Article 314 TFEU. He states that Italy uses an estimated 10 bn EUR of European funds per year. In view of the current Covid-19 crisis, which is both exceptional and unexpected in nature, he calls for Italy to be granted immediately an amount of 210 bn EUR, corresponding to its budgetary allocation over the next 3 MFFs, with a conditionality to address the current health emergency and economic crisis resulting from Covid-19. He considers this would be the equivalent of an "Outright Forward Balance Facility" (OFB) and would not require the issuing of joint debt at EU level such as Eurobonds.

Petition No 0360/2020 by Renato Lelli (Italian) on the issuing of “Coronabonds” to save the European Union

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner calls for the prompt issuing of “Coronabonds” to save the European Union from a war-like enemy such as Covid-19, which is threatening its very existence. In this regard, he calls for solidarity from all Member States, and in particular Germany, while recalling that many European countries decided to forego war reparations from Germany in the aftermath of WWII.

Petition No 0375/2020 by A.S. (German) on EU funds on the coronavirus crisis

Petition Status: closed

Petition Summary

The petitioner welcomes the fact that the EU grants financial support of several billion Euro in the coronavirus crisis. This would help enterprises that had to stop production or close their business because of the crisis. However, there are EU citizens that live at the poverty level and should not be financially burdened when it comes to repayment of the subsidies. This fact should be carefully deliberated.

Petition No 0385/2020 by Francesco Cattani (italian), on behalf of Angeli e Demoni - unitiperibambini, bearing 20 signatures, on a request to reject an initiative aiming at enhancing the use of article 403 of the Italian Civil Code at the time of covid-19

Petition Status: Not admissible

Petition Summary

The petitioner contests an initiative adopted by the Italian Coordination of Services against Mistreatment and Child Abuse, which allegedly contributed to the circulation online of a petition urging the national government to adopt a decree to protect children who are victims of abuse and to enable schools and educational services to intervene in any dangerous situation. According to the petitioner, this petition calls for urgent protective measures for children if necessary through the application of article 403 of the Italian civil code. The petitioner claims that article 403 of the civil code is a controversial provision adopted during the fascist regime, which apparently provides social services with direct and absolute powers of intervention even on the basis of anonymous complaints. The petitioner expresses serious concerns about this initiative aiming at expanding the use of article 403 of the civil code and thus at facilitating children's removals from their families especially at a time in which judicial activities have been partially suspended due to the pandemic. Therefore, he calls for the rejection of this initiative and for convening the victims' associations and lawyers to the negotiating table with the government, in order to revise the framework governing child protection, in full compliance with the principle of the best interest of child and with the rights to a fair trial and defence as enshrined in international and European laws.

Petition No 0387/2020 by Antonio Martino (Italian), on behalf of the Tax Department of DLA PIPER Italy, on the exemption of VAT for goods and services donated in the fight against and management of the pandemic due to Covid-19

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner requests the European Parliament to call for an urgent legislative proposal in view of allowing Member States to exempt from VAT the free supply of good and services for the management and fight of the epidemiological emergency caused by Covid-19, in

case these goods and services are delivered by EU-resident VAT-contributors to the benefit of States, local and regional authorities as well as other public and private entities. The petitioner further calls for this legislative proposal to also grant the persons donating these goods and services, the full deduction of the VAT they paid on the purchase of these goods and services, or the VAT paid on the acquisition of goods and services used to produce them.

Petition No 0388/2020 by Renata Sutor (Polish) on solidarity and mutual assistance in fighting consequences of COVID-19 pandemic in the EU

Petition Status: Available to supporters

Petition Summary

The petitioner calls for mutual assistance and solidarity in combating the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the implementation of the aid directive. In the framework of this directive, every citizen of the European Union would receive EUR 5,000 non-refundable aid, in particular people who have been dismissed from work, farmers, single mothers, pensioners, homeless people and those who do not have the means to live. In addition, every farmer operating in the European Union would receive a non-repayable grant of EUR 50,000 per farm in order not to go bankrupt as a result of the financial crisis and thus not to stop food production. Each company would receive a non-repayable grant of EUR 50,000 to avoid bankruptcy as a result of the financial crisis and not to dismiss employees. Each Member State would receive a non-repayable financial assistance to the health care services for respirators and other medical equipment needed to save people in relation to coronavirus. By agreement with financial institutions, loan repayments would be suspended (loans granted to the MS and loans to EU nationals) for a period of 6 months. Finally, the petitioner calls for a resolution uniting all the countries of the European Union in the fight against coronavirus.