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pursuant to Rule 143 of the Rules of Procedure on access to essential medicines in the EU

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Motion for a resolution on access to essential medicines in the EU

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the EU recognises the right to health as a fundamental right;
- B. whereas in Italy and other Member States there is an emergency with regard to access to essential medicines, which are hardly to be found at pharmacies;
- C. whereas the shortages of essential medicines are due to multiple causes, including the phenomenon of parallel exports;
- 1. Calls on the Commission, together with the Member States, to adopt safeguards to ensure that minimum stocks of essential medicines are in place in each Member State;
- 2. Urges the Commission to step up its efforts to protect the right to health of European citizens.

