Question for written answer E-000976/2021 to the Commission

Rule 138

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Subject: Legal situation with regard to the EU's vaccine purchase agreements

According to a report dated 20 December 2020¹, Member States will only be allowed to strike separate deals with vaccine manufacturers once all the doses secured under the EU-level deal have been distributed. Currently, therefore, there are no bilateral agreements in place between Member States and manufacturers.

- 1. What is the legal basis for this top-down procurement, via the EU to Member States?
- 2. Which courts have jurisdiction over these agreements?
- 3. Has the manufacturer's warranty been adapted to fit this legal situation?

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¹ https://orf.at/stories/3194517/