

**Question for written answer E-002931/2021**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: Request for clarification on the extent to which Italy has complied with Decision No 1082/2013/EU

Under Article 4(2) of Decision No 1082/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on serious cross-border threats to health, Member States are required to provide the Commission with an update on the latest situation with regard to their preparedness and response planning at national level, starting on 7 November 2014 and every three years thereafter.

The same legislation invites Member States to inform the Commission of: the state of play of the implementation of the core capacity standards for preparedness and response planning as determined at national level for the health sector, as provided to the WHO in accordance with the IHR; measures aimed at ensuring interoperability between the health sector and other sectors, and arrangements aimed at ensuring the continuous delivery of critical services and products.

Even though Italy, in conjunction with the adoption of Decision No 1082/2013/EU, informed the WHO that it did have an adequate national pandemic plan for preparedness and response to a pandemic, these statements have been refuted by official documents.

In the light of the above, will the Commission set up a control mechanism to establish the veracity of information provided by Member States in relation to the provisions of the above-mentioned legislation, and is it planning to introduce any penalties for declarations which prove to be false?