Question for written answer E-003234/2021 to the Commission Rule 138 Lefteris Nikolaou-Alavanos (NI)

Subject: Protecting the personal data of those being vaccinated

While the digital COVID vaccination certificate satisfies the requirements of certain parties, this comes at a price in terms of health and individual rights. Scientific evidence to date has failed to establish that the virus cannot be transmitted by those who have been vaccinated. At the same time, the EU is effectively giving governments a plausible-sounding excuse for failure to take the necessary protective measures and relieving them of their enormous responsibility for refusal to reinforce their public health services.

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) is being used as a means allowing so many exceptions as to effectively legalise any personal data breaches by the EU and by governments, state organisations and business undertakings.

Its extension to other areas demonstrates that such data collection and processing mechanisms are set to become more widely established as a permanent way of life, confirming allegations about the commercialisation of personal medical data on a massive scale by professional health services and insurance companies acting in agreement.

What view does the Commission take of the fact the digital COVID vaccination certificate:

- 1. is being accompanied by erosion of the already inadequate measures taken by governments and employers, thereby exposing people to major risks, as already highlighted by specialist health organisations at European and international level;
- 2. is resulting in the total failure of the EU, national governments, security forces and corporations to protect the data of millions of people, making the collection, processing, exploitation and transmission thereof impossible to control?