

**Question for written answer E-003992/2021  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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**Subject:** Commission action concerning the use of a third dose of coronavirus vaccine

The ECDC Vaccine Tracker, an information monitoring application that relies on data reported by EU/EEA countries to the European Surveillance System (TESSy) reports that, as of 30 August 2021, the total number of vaccine doses distributed by manufacturers to EU/EEA countries is 615 855 782 doses. According to the data thus obtained, 67.4% of the EU/EEA adult population have been fully vaccinated.

In view of this information and of the serious warnings concerning a fourth wave of the pandemic, and specifically the diverging approaches taken by some countries – including those in the EU – with regard to moving forward with the use of a third dose of the vaccine:

1. Will the Commission, with the assistance of its executive agencies, and taking into account the voices of the Member States and their best available practices supported by scientific research and experience, seek to come forward with an unambiguous and formalised EU study into the methodological criteria for a proposal on the use of a third dose of coronavirus vaccine among specific risk groups (II)?
2. In addition to the unequivocal recommendations on proceeding with a third cycle, is the Commission planning to adopt any additional instruments related to conducting an information campaign and process of communication as regards the possible introduction of measures?