

**Question for written answer E-004003/2021
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Acceptance of Sputnik V for the purposes of the EU vaccination passport

The Sputnik V vaccine has not yet been approved by the European Medicines Agency (EMA).¹ Several European countries (such as San Marino) and EU Member States (such as Hungary) are, however, administering this vaccine.² Given that the national authorities are responsible for issuing the EU digital COVID certificate³ – and that the certificate is issued regardless of which COVID-19 vaccine was administered⁴ – the certificate is available to nationals of EU Member States and certain third countries who have received the Sputnik V vaccine.

1. Can the Commission confirm that people who have received the Sputnik V vaccine can obtain an EU digital COVID certificate if their country's certificate has been recognised?
2. Can the Commission say whether a Sputnik V vaccine administered to a San Marino citizen is also valid in France using the QR code, as the Schengen Information website would lead us to believe⁵, and, if so, can it explain how this squares with the fact that the EMA has still not officially approved the Sputnik V vaccine?

¹ <https://www.dw.com/en/between-sputnik-v-and-biontech-caught-in-vaccine-limbo/a-58915981>

² <https://sputnikvaccine.com/newsroom/pressreleases/indonesia-becomes-the-70th-country-to-approve-the-sputnik-v-vaccine/>

³ https://ec.europa.eu/info/live-work-travel-eu/coronavirus-response/safe-covid-19-vaccines-europeans/eu-digital-covid-certificate_fr#does-it-matter-which-vaccine-citizens-received

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⁵ <https://www.schengenvisainfo.com/news/eu-commission-recognises-covid-19-certificates-of-san-marino-vatican-city-as-equivalent-to-those-issued-by-eu-countries/>