Question for written answer E-000049/2022 to the Commission Rule 138 Niyazi Kizilyürek (The Left)

Subject: Number of vaccine doses given to Turkish Cypriots

According to the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control, as of 15 December 2021, 1 956 023 vaccine doses had been received by the Republic of Cyprus and according to the Technical Committee on Health, 234 038 doses had been shipped to the northern part of the island to cover the needs of Turkish Cypriots. The Republic of Cyprus and its President Nicos Anastasiades have frequently stated that vaccine orders from the EU are intended for the whole population, Greek and Turkish Cypriots.

Given that the vaccine doses administered to Turkish Cypriots account for only about 11 % of the total doses that the Republic has received, what is the Commission's view on how the vaccines have been distributed among communities? Did the number of vaccines allocated to the Turkish Cypriot community correspond to their needs?