

**Question for written answer E-003434/2022  
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Commission acquisition strategy for vaccine doses – Part 3

Further to the answer to the previous question P-001357/2022,<sup>1</sup> the Commission states in this answer that it has secured access to 4.2 billion vaccine doses. According to a different source: 'All in all, the EU Commission has secured up to 4.6 billion doses of coronavirus vaccine to date, with negotiations for additional supplies currently in progress.'<sup>2</sup>

1. Why do these figures differ? What is the actual number of vaccine doses to which access has been secured? Why are negotiations for additional supplies in progress if – according to the 'COVID-19 Vaccine Tracker' – only 20%<sup>3</sup> of the 4.6 billion optioned doses have been administered to date?
2. Why were such large quantities of vaccine optioned in the first place given that the total population of the Member States is only 446 million?
3. When did the Commission learn that the Moderna vaccine required more than one dose (contrary to preliminary announcements), and when did it learn that the remaining vaccines required more than two doses ('boosters')?

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<sup>1</sup> [https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/P-9-2022-001357-ASW\\_EN.html](https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/P-9-2022-001357-ASW_EN.html)

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.bundesregierung.de/breg-en/issues/better-regulation/success-of-the-eu-vaccination-strategy-1961526>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en/publications-data/covid-19-vaccine-tracker>