

**Question for written answer E-003373/2023  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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**Subject:** Immunity of officials of the Commission and the European Medicines Agency in relation to the purchase and authorisation of COVID 'vaccines'

According to the European Court of Auditors, the Commission signed contracts worth a total of EUR 71 billion to obtain up to 4.6 billion COVID-19 vaccine doses<sup>1</sup>.

This decision to order 10 doses for every European has led to predictable wastage as less than 1 billion doses have been used in Europe. If 1.5 billion doses have been delivered<sup>2</sup> and only half have been used<sup>3</sup>, at a price of almost EUR 20 per dose, the wastage could amount to around EUR 15 billion (750 million x EUR 20).

The European Medicines Agency (EMA) reports that 11 977 people in the EU have had a reported fatal outcome following COVID-19 vaccines<sup>4</sup>. However, the Commission does not know how many of these suspicious deaths have been investigated by the EMA. Nor does it know for how many of the reported deaths the EMA has confirmed that the vaccine was responsible or stated that this was 'probable'<sup>5</sup>.

Are the EMA and Commission officials responsible for the purchase of vaccines and for risk analysis and recommendations concerning the administration of COVID 'vaccines' covered by immunity from legal action for their professional actions/inaction?

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<sup>1</sup> [https://www.eca.europa.eu/Lists/ECADocuments/SR22\\_19/SR\\_EU\\_COVID\\_vaccine\\_procurement\\_EN.pdf](https://www.eca.europa.eu/Lists/ECADocuments/SR22_19/SR_EU_COVID_vaccine_procurement_EN.pdf).

<sup>2</sup> According to the European Centre for Disease Control (ECDC), 1 485 522 082 doses have been distributed, <https://vaccinetracker.ecdc.europa.eu/public/extensions/COVID-19/vaccine-tracker.html#distribution-tab> (last updated on 5 October 2023).

<sup>3</sup> According to the European Medicines Agency, 768 million doses have been administered, <https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/human-regulatory/overview/public-health-threats/coronavirus-disease-covid-19/covid-19-medicines/safety-covid-19-vaccines> (figures from May 2023).

<sup>4</sup> Figure as of 30 September, confirmed by the Commission on 6 November 2023, [https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/P-9-2023-002470-ASW\\_EN.html](https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/P-9-2023-002470-ASW_EN.html).

<sup>5</sup> [https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-9-2023-001200\\_EN.html](https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-9-2023-001200_EN.html).