

**Question for written answer E-000699/2024  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: European Day in Remembrance of the Victims of the Poor Handling of the COVID-19 pandemic

According to widely circulating estimates, in Europe around 2 200 000 people died due to COVID-19, in tragic circumstances.

Many Member States have already paid tribute to the victims and to all those who stepped up to care for them and, above all, to save lives.

There is a lack of clarity on the way the pandemic was handled, including the way the vaccination campaign was managed, and on the imposing, sometimes even in the form of blackmail, of experimental gene serums placed on the market with a conditional authorisation. Many doctors raised doubts over the sense of the vaccination campaign, and over shortcomings, errors and mismanagement, and over measures at odds with the law and with medical science. There was a lack of transparency over the contracts with the pharmaceutical companies, which were cloaked in 'military' secrecy. Consideration was given to studies that had no scientific value, but which were vitiated by receiving funding from companies with major vested interests, without those really to blame being investigated. In view of the above, can the Commission state why a European Day to commemorate the victims of the poor handling of COVID-19 has not yet been established?

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