

ORAL QUESTION H-1021/08
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to the Council

Subject: Increasing HIV prevention, treatment and care

The ECDC Meeting Report on 'HIV testing in Europe: From policies to effectiveness' from January 2008 highlights the fact that many opportunities are missed to diagnose HIV infections in EU countries, particularly in healthcare settings. An estimated 30% of those infected with HIV in EU countries are unaware of their infection. Late diagnosis implies late initiation of antiretroviral therapy (ART), limited opportunities for drugs, increased mortality and morbidity rates as well as an increased risk of transmitting infection.

Following the leadership shown by the Luxembourg, German, Portuguese and recent French Presidency, will the Czech Presidency be undertaking any actions to increase HIV prevention, treatment and care?

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