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Description

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The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,

A. whereas the European Medicines Agency (EMA) has already recorded around a million cases of people experiencing adverse reactions from the COVID-19 vaccines:

- 435 779 due to the Pfizer BioNTech vaccine,
- 373 285 due to the AstraZeneca vaccine,
- 117 243 due to the Moderna vaccine,
- 27 694 due to the Janssen vaccine[1];

B. whereas these adverse reactions are sometimes severe; whereas around 75 000 people suffered from serious neurological effects as a result of taking the Pfizer vaccine;

C. whereas the EMA states that around 5 000 people have died in the EU as a result of taking the COVID-19 vaccines:

- 4 198 due to the Pfizer vaccine[2],
- 1 053 due to the AstraZeneca vaccine,

- 392 due to the Moderna vaccine,

- 138 due to the Janssen vaccine;

D. whereas the European Commission negotiated the purchase contracts and did not wish for the pharmaceutical companies to incur any liability; whereas MEPs were not granted access to the contracts during the negotiations;

1. Calls on the Commission to create a European compensation fund for victims of the COVID-19 vaccines;

2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and the Member States.

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