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Answer given by Ms Kyriakides
on behalf of the European Commission
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1. The Commission is not aware of EU Member States that have introduced mandatory vaccination against COVID-19. The responsibility for public health measures, including vaccination, lies with Member States.

2. The Commission is bound by confidentiality clauses in the contracts for the advance purchase of COVID-19 vaccines. At the same time, the Commission is committed to transparency and accountability and has engaged in consultations with vaccines manufacturers concerning the possibility to disclose both Advance Purchase Agreements and Purchase Agreements concluded for COVID-19 vaccines. The redacted versions of agreements with CureVac AG¹, Sanofi Pasteur SA & GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals SA², AstraZeneca³, BioNTech/Pfizer⁴ and Moderna⁵ as well as the agreement with BioNTech/Pfizer⁶ are published on the Commission website; the discussions with other manufacturers are ongoing.

¹ https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/curevac-redacted-advance-purchase-agreement_en

² https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/sanofi-gsk-redacted-advance-purchase-agreement_en

³ https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/apa_astrazeneca.pdf

⁴ https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/redacted_advance_purchase_agreement_biontech-pfizer_0.pdf

⁵ https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/redacted_advance_purchase_agreement_moderna_0.pdf

⁶ https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/redacted_purchase_agreement_biontech-pfizer_0.pdf