



**PARLIAMENT
OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC**
Chamber of Deputies
Ondřej Benešík
Chairman
Committee on European Affairs

Prague, 28th May 2021

Dear Ms. President,

I would like to inform you about the opinion of the Committee on European Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council – A common path to safe and sustained re-opening /Council Code 7228/21, COM(2020)129 final/;

on the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council - on a framework for the issuance, verification and acceptance of interoperable certificates on vaccination, testing and recovery to facilitate free movement during the COVID-19 pandemic (Digital Green Certificate) /Council Code 7128/21, COM(2021)130 final/ and

on the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council - on a framework for the issuance, verification and acceptance of interoperable certificates on vaccination, testing and recovery to third-country nationals legally staying or legally residing in the territories of Member States during the COVID-19 pandemic (Digital Green Certificate) /Council Code 7129/21, COM(2021)140 final/.

The respective documents were included in the agenda of the 71st session of the Committee for European Affairs and was scrutinized on 21st May 2021. According to the Rules of Procedure the Deputy Minister of Health and the Deputy Minister of Interior were present at the session to introduce the preliminary Government's Framework Position

After the hearing of the rapporteur's review and after the discussion the Committee has adopted the **Resolution No. 467 in the context of the Political Dialogue** which is enclosed to this letter.

Yours sincerely

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Resolution No. 467

71st Session on 21 May 2021

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Conclusions of the Resolution:

Committee for European Affairs

1. **agrees with the** submitted Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council - on a framework for the issuance, verification and acceptance of interoperable certificates on vaccination, testing and recovery to facilitate free movement during the COVID-19 pandemic (Digital Green Certificate) /Council Code 7128/21, COM(2021)130 final/; with the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council - on a framework for the issuance, verification and acceptance of interoperable certificates on vaccination, testing and recovery to third-country nationals legally staying or legally residing in the territories of Member States during the COVID-19 pandemic (Digital Green Certificate) /Council Code 7129/21, COM(2021)140 final/ and with the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council – A common path to safe and sustained re-opening /Council Code 7228/21, COM(2020)129 final/;
2. **takes note of** the Government's Framework Position on these documents;
3. **insists on** the obligation to issue certificates and their individual components free of charge;
4. **calls for** affordable price of citizen testing;
5. **insists on** the prohibition of discrimination according to the type of certificate and the preservation of the choice between a paper and a digital certificate;
6. **states** that national certificates must be interoperable with the European certificate and should guarantee the rights arising from it;

7. **stresses** the need to protect citizen's privacy. Databases should not be centralized at both EU and Member States level. There must be no certificate verification notice to monitor the movement of people according to the place of application;
8. **stresses** that people without a certificate must be allowed to travel and holding a certificate is not a precondition for exercising the right to free movement or other fundamental rights;
9. **recommends** the patent release for publicly funded vaccines;
10. **authorizes** the Chairman of the Committee on European Affairs to forward this resolution to the President of the European Commission **in the framework of the Political Dialogue** and to forward it to the President of the European Parliament and the Council for information.