

Parlamentul României Senat

Bucharest, July 1, 2020

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OPINION of the SENATE of ROMANIA

on the Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism COM (2020) 220 final

The Romanian Senate examined the Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism – COM (2020) 220 final, according to the provisions of the Treaty of Lisbon (Protocol no. 2).

Taking into account the report of June 26, 2020 of the Committee for European Affairs, **the Plenum of the Senate**, during its session of June 30, 2020

- 1. Considers that the Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism COM (2020) 220 final respects the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality.
- 2. Maintains that as regards medical stocks within the rescEU 4-5 regional hubs should be set up, for the optimal coverage of the European territory, specifying that the types of equipment that will be part of them must be taken into account.
- 3. Considers that, in the absence of an impact assessment, an in-depth process of assimilating the lessons learned from the COVID-19 emergency is needed, in which both the Member States and the Commission contribute their own experience to build a well-documented tool-decision making.
- 4. Requests additional information on the procurement envisaged by the European Commission and on the involvement of the private sector in indirect management, which is a topic that needs to be discussed in detail.

p. President of the Senate Robert-Marius CAZANCIUC