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THE EU INTEGRATED POLITICAL CRISIS RESPONSE ARRANGEMENTS

IPCR Working Level Roundtable COVID-19 Operational Conclusions - 8 February 2021

1. Enhancing coordination on internal measures

- 1.1. The IPCR was briefed on the report "Communication regarding COVID-19 vaccination - options for further coordination" prepared by the Working Party on Information, and the Presidency will submit it to the attention of Coreper as an I item on Wednesday 10 February 2021. The Presidency encourages Member States and institutional actors to consider following the steps proposed in the report;
- 1.2. The Presidency welcomes the work being done at the Health Security Committee on the operationalisation of the *Council Recommendation on a common framework for the use and validation of rapid antigen tests and the mutual recognition of COVID-19 test results in the EU*, namely the work towards a common list of Rapid Antigen Tests and on a standard set of data to be included in test certificates. The IPCR will continue to keep abreast of developments and will report to Coreper at appropriate time;
- 1.3. The Presidency also welcomes the work being done by the Commission in order to achieve a standardised and interoperable form of proof of vaccination for medical purposes. The Presidency urges Member States to work towards a common position in the HSC and will revert to this discussion at a future meeting of IPCR;
- 1.4. The Presidency will reflect on the exchange on a potential EU medical certificate to attest the full recovery of COVID-19 and will inform participants on next steps in due course;
- 1.5. Following the assessment of the situation of countries listed in Annex I of the *Council Recommendation 2020/912* on the basis of updated data and information from the ECDC and EEAS, the Presidency will propose to Coreper to keep the list unchanged;
- 1.6. France raised the issue of an OECD initiative regarding test certificates, requesting the Presidency to work on a consolidated EU position.

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