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Dear Commission,

I can inform you that the Netherlands votes in favour of Commission implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/111 making the exportation of certain products subject to the production of an export authorisation.

In addition, the Netherlands makes the following voting declaration:
The Netherlands does not oppose this regulation. However, the Netherlands would like to emphasize the following considerations: the Netherlands stresses the importance of the measures being temporary, targeted, proportional and transparent. In order to be transparent, clear objective criteria are needed on the basis of which an authorization request could be refused. The measures, established to protect the health of EU citizens, should be lifted as soon as possible. If an extension is somehow deemed necessary, the possibility of a notification-only mechanism should be examined as a first preference. The Netherlands stresses the importance of allowing markets to function in the production and distribution of the worldwide scarce COVID-19 vaccines. The Netherlands also stresses the importance of the principle of international solidarity, which should be taken into account. Furthermore, the EU has to be aware of the geopolitical impact of such measures and the possible effect this may have encouraging others to take trade restricting measures, hampering the supply and distribution of vaccines. Therefore, the Netherlands also encourages the Commission to enter into constructive dialogue with other vaccine producing countries, including the US and the UK.

Kind regards,

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