



European Parliament
Saint Malo, September 5th, 2018

Dear Madams, Dear Sirs, Members of the European Parliament,

We, French animal protection association, urgently need your help.

European Commission is presently violating 3 principles at the very foundation of Europe:

- The Principle of Equality of all European citizens inscribed in Chapter III, Article 20 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU
- The Precautionary Principle inscribed in Article 191 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
- The Principle of Animal Welfare inscribed in Article 13 of the Treaty on the Founding of the European Union and in Chapter II, Articles 3 and 4 of the European Convention for the Protection of Pets

On September 13, 2017, we lodged a complaint with the European Commission (Health and Food Safety Department) against France on behalf of the Directive 2004/28/EC "harmonization of veterinary protocols and products". We simply requested that all vaccines for domestic animals (cores and non-cores) in the European Union have the same duration of immunity whenever the composition of the vaccine and strains used are identical in order to cease having identical vaccines with 1 year duration in France against 3 in Europe.

Requesting so, we are not hindering the development of the pharmaceutical industry since 15 years ago the pharmaceutical industry itself started selling 3 years duration of immunity vaccines within Europe.

Vaccination is a serious medical act. When we revaccinate our animals in France once a year with 1 year validity products that are elsewhere, within the EU, valid for 3 years, we over-vaccinate and therefore tenfold serious adverse reactions risk on our beloved pets.

The European Commission is about to reject our complaint for unfounded reasons. Please read its [reply](#). Mrs. Věra Jourová, Commissioner for Justice, Consumers and Gender Equality erected herself as consumers' rights defender on April 11th, 2018; so how can European Commission reject our demand?

In a society where most European citizens are profoundly questioning the meaning of Europe and its purposes, our beloved pets remain pillars. We want to vaccinate and protect them in the safest possible manner.

Please sign, share our [petition](#) and write to the European Commission asking for true veterinary products harmonization within Europe in the name of 3 major European principles stated above.

What we are asking for today is exactly what the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) and the International Cooperation on Harmonization of Technical Requirements for Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products (VICH) have been requesting from European member states for decades.

Please read OIE President, Dr. Eloit, [official reply](#) on March 10th, 2016 agreeing wholeheartedly with our request.

Yours sincerely

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Complaint registration reference: CHAP (2017) 2823

European Commission reply references: Ares(2018)4166082 - 08/08/2018 and Sante A.2/IK/apc(2018) 4078641

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