

SENATE OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC 13TH TERM

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RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 7th session held on 18th March 2021

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe (Senate Print no. K 8/12, COM(2020) 761)

The Senate

I.

1. Appreciates

the Commission's initiative to ensure medicinal products and stimulate pharmaceutical innovation to address unmet needs and to strengthen health crises preparedness and response mechanism;

2. Supports

in this regard, measures to ensure the self-sufficiency of EU countries in the supply of medicinal products, as well as the review of the system of incentives for the pharmaceutical industry and the revision of existing legislation required to enable generic and biosimilar medicines to fulfil the role of affordable pharmacotherapy;

3. Is convinced

there is a need to change the way the treatment for rare diseases is financed and to increase the support for and accelerate the development and registration of medicinal products to address unmet medical needs, and to this end carry out the necessary review of legislation on medicinal products for paediatric and rare diseases;

4. Considers

that it is necessary to revise the methodology for determining the maximum price of medicinal products and the amount of reimbursement from public health insurance;

5. Stresses

that when reviewing the legal framework and before proposing new measures, the Commission should ensure that new initiatives foster the principles of competition and do not increase administrative and regulatory burdens;

6. Is of the opinion

that the measures included in the pharmaceutical strategy should be planned over a longer period of time in order to enable their implementation;

II.

1. Requests

the Government to inform the Senate no later than on 30 September 2021 about the way this Resolution was taken into account;

2. Authorises

the President of the Senate to forward this Resolution to the European Commission.

Miloš Vystrčil sign manual President of the Senate

> Josef Bazala sign manual Senate Verifier