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Subject: RE: 4th survey on expected shortages - Commission's Clearing House for medical equipment (COVID-19)

Dear 5.1.2e

My apologies for the late reply. I have send several messages and made several calls to my colleagues to inform about shortages of tests and other equipment but so far have been unable to receive the information.

I can provide you with details of PPE (in the table).

NB: We do not purchase caps / shoe covers so I don't have information on that; we have however not received any signals that we experienced shortages there.

NB1: regarding the gloves; at this moment we have enough stock to provide our health care professionals for approximately the next six months. It is – considering the pressure on the global market – difficult to estimate if there will be enough next year. The Netherlands is researching the possibility to set up production of gloves within the NLD.

Kind regards,

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	December 2020 (very short term)	January-February 2021 (short term)	March-April 2021 (mid-term)	May-August 2021 (long term)	No shortage
* 1. medical goggles / protective eyewear					x
* 2. Face shields					x
* 3. Gowns / overalls / aprons					x
* 4. Caps / shoe covers					
* 5. Surgical / medical masks - (medical devices)					x
* 6. FFP masks (all types) - (PPE)					x
* 7. Medical gloves				x	

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Dear 5.1.2e

Thank you very much for your message.
Duly noted, we will be looking forward to it.
Have a very good evening.

Kind regards,

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Dear secretariat of the Clearing House,

We have received your request to fill in the questionnaire about expected shortages. It is however not possible for us to collect all the required data for the survey before the deadline of tomorrow. As soon as I have received the requested information from several of my colleagues, I will fill in the survey.

Kind regards,

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Urgentie: Hoog

Dear colleague,

We hope you are well despite the difficult period.

As announced at our meetings in September, the Clearing House for medical equipment (COVID-19) is operating in a slightly different set-up since 1 October.

1. One of the instruments up and running is the **matchmaking collection platform**. Here we sent a message to companies that had introduced offers for COVID-19 related medical equipment to encourage for updates of these offers. In parallel, you are still able to access your offers and requests for equipment. Please note that as of now, all entries that are six months and older, will automatically be removed, except when they are regularly updated in which case the six-months-period restarts with every update. Lastly, the entries for medicinal products will be removed from the equipment categories in this platform, since work on medicines shortages is ongoing in the context of EMA's **Enhanced monitoring system for medicines used for treating COVID-19**.
2. Secondly, the **CCH weekly calls with industry associations** are continued. In that context, we are notably alerted on the growing concerns on the availability of gloves, tests and also some possible bottlenecks on international transport and logistics issues.
3. Third, we are coming back to you regarding the **4th edition of the survey on an EU watch-list** on expected shortages of medical equipment in the EU (used in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic outbreak) that we are hereby launching. We would like to thank you for your very wide participation in the three previous editions of the survey.

You will find hereby the link to filling in the short questionnaire:

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- Could you please fill in the 27 product lines by **Friday 27 November, 18:00?**

Once again, this already well-known easy-to-fill questionnaire should take no more than 10 minutes to complete once you have gathered the relevant information. Do not hesitate to contact us in case of questions in relation to this survey (5.1.2e@ec.europa.eu).

Thank you very much for your cooperation!

Best regards,

The Secretariat of the Clearing House for medical equipment (COVID-19)

(If needed) More information on the survey:

Aim

- This survey is meant to quickly and easily identify expected you experience or anticipate in the next weeks and months

- This should be based on your real unmet needs, after allowing for the outcome of national production capacities (if delivered), various procurements or (delivered) imports. By 'delivered', we mean when equipment is ordered but if there is uncertainty on the delivery, you should exclude such amounts of products from your calculation of unmet needs/demand of products leading to the identification of a shortage.
- For all current needs, please continue to use the *Online information collection platform (SDCP)*, which also allows you to indicate needs in a more granular mode.

Quantification of shortages?

- As last times, no questions are asked on the needed quantities, but the survey is intended as a survey of the anticipated needs in your country for the 27 entries / product categories.
- We encourage you to indicate a corridor of figures on needs/demand in the box where possible (Rough quantification).

Categories

- There are only four categories this time as work on the EU-wide survey of shortages of medicines is separately developed by EMA, together with the Member States.
- You always have the possibility to add comments under each category of groups of medical equipment - and at the end. This helps you to indicate your constraints/assumptions in filling in the survey.
- If a product is not listed but is or will be in need in your country, please use this box to specify your experience.

How?

- You can reply in an anonymous manner (in that case, no need to indicate your country at the beginning).
- The survey remains modifiable until you finalise the draft of your replies. You can keep a PDF version of your replies.

Who fills in the survey?

- Please do not share these links as they are personal and each Member State/country can fill in the survey.
- You will have to coordinate the replies and enter the data in the system, as that we have only one reply per country.

Aggregated results

- Exactly as we did for the three first versions of the watch list, we will aggregate your replies at European level for the end product categories.
- There will be no geographical breakdown, only overall figures for Europe.

Presentation of the results

- The results will be circulated by email this time.

