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## Dear Minister,

I want to start by thanking you for your support and close collaboration.

Despite our best efforts, the pandemic continues to pose a grave threat to our citizens, our society and our economy. However, the measures taken so far have proven crucial in slowing the spread of the virus and protecting our more vulnerable citizens. The roll out of the COVID-19 vaccines is surely further contributing to ensure a higher level of protection across our population.

We all know how accurate and timely information is key to tackle the COVID-19 pandemic. Up-to-date data is a critical element defining our policies and steering all vaccination campaigns.

Following my request on 11 January for all Member States to report data on vaccination campaigns at least twice a week, the ECDC recently launched a live vaccine tracker to ensure high transparency on our joint efforts.

The vaccine tracker will be as useful as its underlying data is accurate. This is why I would like to ask you to continue providing the ECDC with data as frequently as possible. The ECDC has been in touch throughout the day with your national authorities to encourage them to provide up-to-date information as soon as possible.

I would like to ask you to please see that this information is sent by your national authorities by Sunday 7 February at 15:00. In particular:

- 1. Updated data on deliveries to MS per company
- 2. Updated data on doses administered
- 3. Data on how many citizens have received the second dose of the vaccine.

I thank you once again for our on-going close cooperation.

## **EU Health Ministers**

Yours sincerely, 5.1.2e