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MEETING DOCUMENT

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Working Party on Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices (Attachés) Working Party on Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices (Critical Medicines Act)
Subject:	Meeting of the Working Party on Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices - Flash from the Presidency

Delegations will find attached the Presidency flash for the meeting of the Working Party on Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices on 6 November 2025. The draft agenda isset out in CM 4820/2025.

Invitation to Working Party meeting on 6 November 2025

The Danish Presidency is pleased to invite you to the next meeting of the Working Party on Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices under the Danish Presidency. The meeting will take place on the 6th of November 2025.

The meeting will be a full-day event focusing on the Critical Medicines Act.

Please find below a note outlining the objectives of the meeting and the agenda.

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Working party on Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices: Critical Medicines Act

On the 6th of November 2025 the Working Party on Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices will hold a full-day meeting dedicated to the proposal for a Critical Medicines Act.

In the meeting we will discuss the Presidency's third compromise proposal for the Critical Medicines Act, as outlined in document st 14721/25, for a final discussion in Coreper before the proposal is put forward for adoption at the Council meeting on the 2nd of December.

The Presidency views Articles 18, 20, 22, and 26 as the primary political issues and invites delegations to limit their interventions to these issues. Delegations are also invited to state if they can support the compromise as it stands. This will be the last discussion of the Critical Medicines Act at Working Party level before discussions in Coreper on 14 November in preparation for EPSCO Health Council on 2 December.

FUN FACT OF THE WEEK

Did you know that the first great ruling queen in European history was actually Danish? Our own Queen Margaret II, who recently abdicated, chose her regnal name to honour the first Queen Margaret – a powerful monarch who ruled during the late 1300s and early 1400s.

Queen Margaret I was married to the King of Norway, and after both his death and that of their only son, she became the ruler of Denmark and Norway. She later united the Scandinavian Kingdoms by forming the Kalmar Union, a political alliance between Denmark, Norway, and Sweden that stood against the powerful Hanseatic League.