COVID: More than 500 M USD for ACT-A will be announced today at the Paris Peace Forum

The main actors engaged in the ACT-A initiative (the accelerator to ensure global access to Covid19 tests, therapeutics and vaccines, launched and supported by the WHO, the EU, France, Germany and other states, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Wellcome Trust and others) will announce commitments for more than 500 M USD today at the Paris Peace Forum. The political discussion will gather online at 5:30 GMT+1, featuring the DG of the WHO Dr Tedros Ghebreyesus, President Emmanuel Macron, Norwegian Prime Minister Solberg, Melinda Gates, President of the EU Commission Ursula Von der Leyen, Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez and many others.

France and Spain will be announcing the commitments of their governments: € 100 M from France and € 50 M from Spain to GAVI for the ACT-A vaccine pillar (Covax).

The UK government should also send an announcement of a contribution of 1 additional GBP for each 4 USD announced.

Another € 100 M will come from the European Commission to Gavi for the ACT-A vaccine pillar in addition to the € 400m already announced.

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation will also announce an important commitment during the discussion.

The panel will be in livestream on the Youtube and Facebook pages of the Paris Peace Forum.

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