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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on the cloning of animals for food purposes

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the cloning of animals for food purposes

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the 2013 proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the cloning of animals of the bovine, porcine, ovine, caprine and equine species kept and reproduced for farming purposes,
- having regard to the 2013 proposal for a Council directive on the placing on the market of food from animal clones,
- having regard to Regulation (EC) No 258/97 of 27 January 1997 concerning novel foods and novel food ingredients,
- having regard to Directive 98/58/EC concerning the protection of animals kept for farming purposes,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas 58 % of European consumers are against animal cloning for food purposes, according to a Eurobarometer report published in 2008;
- B. whereas the current proposal banning the use or import of cloned animals and the marketing of food from cloned animals does not go far enough;
- 1. Calls for the ban to be extended to cover the marketing of semen from cloned animals and of foodstuffs obtained from the descendants of clones:
- 2. Calls for all food derived from cloned animals, their offspring and their descendants to be labelled as such;
- 3. Calls on the Commission to launch a public consultation procedure on these issues;
- 4. Insists that the scope of the precautionary principle and the procedure for invoking it, as set out in the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, must not be called into question.



