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## **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on support for the EU steel industry

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## Motion for a European Parliament resolution on support for the EU steel industry

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Treaty establishing the ECSC, now the Treaty on European Union,— having regard to its resolution of 4 February 2014 on the Action Plan for a competitive and sustainable steel industry in Europe,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the steel industry is a key contributor to growth in the European Union, and whereas safeguarding steelmaking will boost Europe's industrial potential and enhance energy security;
- B. whereas the steel industry employs 350 000 people in Europe directly and several million people indirectly;
- C. whereas the industry faces unfair competition from third countries on the global market;
- D. having regard to the plight of many European steel plants, such as Gandrange and Florange;
- 1. Asks the Commission to impose customs duties on steel imported into the EU from countries which employ unfair competition practices;
- 2. Asks the Commission to require all businesses which offer a viable industrial site for sale actively to seek a buyer who will continue production on the site in question;
- 3. Insists that businesses which relocate should pay back any subsidies received from the Union, Member States or regional or local authorities;
- 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the Member States.

