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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on the reform of the wine sector

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the reform of the wine sector

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1493/1999 of 17 May 1999 on the common organisation of the market in wine¹,
- having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 479/2008 of 29 April 2008 on the common organisation of the market in wine, amending Regulations (EC) No 1493/1999, (EC) No 1782/2003, (EC) No 1290/2005, (EC) No 3/2008 and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 2392/86 and (EC) No 1493/1999²,
- having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 491/2009 of 25 May 2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Single CMO Regulation)³,
- having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007⁴,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas in Europe 160 000 hectares of vines were grubbed up between 2009 and 2011 and the total area under vines has decreased by 300 000 hectares since 2008;
- B. whereas 40 % of the vines grubbed up in France were AOC-classified (protected designation of origin);
- C. whereas the European Union is losing global wine market shares;
- D. whereas the planting rights scheme is conducive to high-quality wine production;
- 1. Calls on the Commission not to reinstate the grubbing-up scheme that has hindered the development of the EU wine sector and worked in favour of wine producers outside the EU;
- 2. Believes that the liberalisation of planting rights, planned for 31 December 2015, could lead to vineyards being relocated;
- 3. Calls for the EU planting rights scheme to be modified so that rights can be extended

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¹ OJ L 179, 14.7.1999, p. 1.

² OJ L 148, 6.6.2008, p. 1.

³ OJ L 154, 17.6.2009, p. 1.

⁴ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671.

beyond 2015, and calls for the current rules restricting planting rights to be extended beyond 2018;

4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the Member States.