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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on abandoning the Commission's better regulation strategy

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on abandoning the Commission's better regulation strategy

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission's Communication of 19 May 2015 on better regulation,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the better regulation strategy presented by the Commission is an attack on democratic principles and can best be described as 'enlightened despotism';
- B. whereas the Commission, an unelected technocratic institution, is trying, by means of this strategy, to water down the political influence of Parliament and the Council and rely more on 'experts' representing a variety of interests and often flirting with a conflict of interests;
- C. whereas the Commission is thus trying to place the interests of multinationals above the general interest by transferring the powers of elected members of parliament to opaque groups of experts;
- D. whereas this over-reliance on 'experts' for the law-making process could pose a threat to standards that would not be in the interests of major multinationals;
- E. whereas even if the Commission is known by the pretentious title of 'Guardian of the Treaties', it should not for all that overstep its tasks and powers and interpret them as it sees fit;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to abandon this plan;
- 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and to the Council.