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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on the traceability, regulation and monitoring of expired or spoilt food products

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Motion for a Parliament resolution on the traceability, regulation and monitoring of expired or spoilt food products

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas considerable volumes of the foodstuffs on sale in supermarkets reach their expiry date before they are bought and consumed;
- B. whereas large Chinese industrial and food industry groups are buying these products wholesale;
- C. whereas at present it is not clear to what use these products are being put by their Chinese buyers, or where they may ultimately end up;
- 1. Emphasises the importance of laying down common food safety rules in order to ensure that foodstuffs such as these are traceable and to prevent them from being illegally exported back to the European market, possibly in counterfeit packaging;
- 2. Recommends urgent legislative action to lay down rules in this area, make it mandatory for expired foodstuffs to be traceable and prohibit their sale also to buyers from outside the EU.