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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on the labelling of food flavourings

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the labelling of food flavourings

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Council Directive 88/388/EEC of 22 June 1988 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to flavourings for use in foodstuffs and to source materials for their production¹,
 - having regard to Commission Directive 91/71/EEC of 16 January 1991 completing Council Directive 88/388/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to flavourings for use in foodstuffs and to source materials for their production²,
 - having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas in France canned vegetables have been found to contain substances of animal origin;
- B. whereas this matter poses an ethical problem and involves a health risk;
- C. whereas the definition of flavourings given in the directives is vague inasmuch as it stipulates that, if a flavouring has been obtained from a substance or preparation present in material of animal or vegetable origin, it has to be termed a ‘natural flavouring’;
- D. whereas the principle of transparency is essential in order to maintain a high level of food safety;
1. Urges the Commission to amend the rules in order to provide for exact labelling that distinguishes between flavourings of vegetable origin and flavourings of animal origin;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and the Council.

¹ OJ L 184, 15.7.1988, p. 61.

² OJ L 42, 15.2.1991, p. 25.