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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on the preservation of pollinating insects, particularly bees

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the preservation of pollinating insects, particularly bees

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 485/2013 of 24 May 2013
- having regard to its resolution of 15 November 2011 on bee health and the challenges of the beekeeping sector,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas Regulation (EU) No 485/2013, which restricts the use of three neonicotinoids, offers bees, the environment and human health insufficient protection;
- B. whereas scientific studies confirm the harmful impact of such pesticides on pollinating insects;
- C. whereas these molecules may be damaging to the environment, the human nervous system and human health and agriculture;
- D. whereas the economic value of pollination is estimated at EUR 153 billion per year, and whereas 35% of world agricultural production is linked to pollinating insects;
- 1. Calls for these substances to be banned until they have been made safe;
- 2. Urges the Commission to initiate a comprehensive plan to protect pollinating insects in order to support European agriculture and protect the environment;
- 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution, together with the names of the signatories, to the Commission and the Council.