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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on the need for Commission action to improve the lives of older people

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European Parliament resolution on the need for Commission action to improve the lives of older people

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the Global AgeWatch Index 2015 report shows the world's older age group growing by more than two billion, from 12.3% to 21.5% of the population, by 2050;
- B. whereas Italy has one of the world's highest percentages of over-60s, who will account for more than 40% of the country's population by 2050;
- C. whereas, according to the above report, the austerity policies of recent years have had a severe impact on pensioners' purchasing power and lifestyle, not least as a result of the public-spending and benefit cuts that have been made;
- 1. Calls on the Commission, in line with its powers in the areas of social policy, social security and action to combat poverty and social exclusion, to lose no time in addressing the issue of the ageing of Europe's population and to put forward robust proposals, backed up by the necessary resources, for genuinely improving the lives of older people.