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## **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on the lack of transparency in access to documents concerning EU trade negotiations

**Sophie Montel, Dominique Bilde, Florian Philippot**

**Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the lack of transparency in access to documents concerning EU trade negotiations**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas Corporate Europe Observatory has revealed that pharmaceutical firms with a presence in Brussels spent EUR 40 million on lobbying in 2014, which is eight times more than in 2012;
- B. whereas this spending is intended to influence the trade negotiations on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) in favour of the pharmaceutical industry and to the detriment of public health;
- C. whereas EU citizens are being denied their right to access information concerning trade negotiations conducted by the Commission as some documents to which partial access is granted are 95% censored;
- D. whereas this virtual absence of transparency, where even the date of the meeting in question is redacted, is likely to reinforce suspicions about the power of interest groups;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to disclose all the relevant documents in order for the public to be able to assess the risks involved in these negotiations;
- 2. Calls on the Commission to exclude the health sector from the TTIP negotiations.