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# **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on 825 136 patent applications recorded in China in 2013 and the need for  
Europe to relaunch its own innovation policy

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**Motion for a European Parliament resolution on 825 136 patent applications recorded in China in 2013 and the need for Europe to relaunch its own innovation policy**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organisation) has seen a strong growth in intellectual property demand, with as many as 2.6 million applications for 2013 alone, 825 136 of which from Beijing, equivalent to 13 times those from Germany and more than Japan and South Korea put together;
- B. whereas the WIPO estimates that Chinese registrations increased sevenfold in the decade 2003 - 2013, with an impact on world demand equivalent to 28.6%;
- 1. Calls on the Commission, given its responsibilities in the area of innovation policy, under Article 173 and Articles 179 to 189 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), to review the current rules with a view to improving them and to give further impetus and momentum to the ‘Innovation Union’ initiative, as part of the Europe 2020 strategy, in order to face up to global competition which, as can be seen from the above data, appears to be increasingly competitive and fierce.