MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on exceptions from compulsory surveys for micro-businesses

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on exceptions from compulsory surveys for micro-businesses

The European Parliament,

– having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,

A. whereas the proportion of costs incurred by micro-businesses in complying with legislation is disproportionate and a burden on their financial and human resources;

B. whereas the compilation of statistics needs to be coordinated in a better way in order to avoid duplication;

C. whereas according to the Commission, sufficient data quality can in general be reached without including microenterprises in the respective national surveys (answer to Written Question E-010217/2015);

1. Requests that the Commission provide Parliament with an impact assessment on the possibility of exempting self-employed persons and microenterprises from any compulsory statistical surveys, particularly by means of Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98, for example by amending Article 4(2) thereof to state that compulsory surveys will not apply to micro-businesses;

2. Requests that efforts be made to apply the principle that information will be collected from businesses only once in order to reduce unnecessary administrative burdens.