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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on a new policy for wind turbines

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on a new policy for wind turbines

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas more and more wind turbines are being installed both worldwide and in Europe;
- B. whereas there is a substantial body of research to show that wind turbines are bad for landscapes and human health and also in terms of the protection of animals;
- C. whereas the noise from wind turbines near people's homes adversely affects their health in various ways, being a potential cause of heart attacks, acutely high blood pressure, depression leading to suicide, ulcers, migraine, memory loss and sleep problems, for example;
- D. whereas the fact that houses are close to a wind farm reduces their value by 20-50%;
- E. whereas wind turbines degrade landscapes and the natural assets of the countryside;
- F. whereas wind turbines can pose a danger to birds and bats, and they drive away game;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to impose a moratorium on the installation of new wind turbines or, failing that, to require that wind turbines be sited at least 1 500 metres away from any dwelling;
- 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the Member States.

