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## **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on tackling counterfeiting in the fashion and luxury goods sectors

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The European Parliament,

- having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1383/2003, replaced by Regulation (EC) No 608/2013,
- having regard to Directive 2004/48/EC,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas France is particularly affected by counterfeiting in these sectors as it holds a significant market share;
- B. whereas the counterfeiting industry is often financed by drug-trafficking and terrorist networks and various criminal organisations, which are also fuelled by this industry;
- C. whereas experts estimate that 80 to 90 % of counterfeiting worldwide originates in China and that the Government refuses to take appropriate action;
- 1. Considers that counterfeiting is a serious problem for economies and that it fuels dangerous trafficking activities;
- 2. Calls on the Commission to launch awareness campaigns among the general public so as to provide better information on the dangers of counterfeiting;
- 3. Calls on the Commission to strengthen existing anti-counterfeiting measures (customs checks, confiscation and destruction of products, etc.);
- 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the Member States.

