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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on rules and regulations on excavation and drilling concessions granted below
cost in environmentally protected areas

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on rules and regulations on excavation and drilling concessions granted below cost in environmentally protected areas

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas industrial firms have become interested in excavating and drilling in many EU regions and areas that are protected for their high environmental value and form part of our natural heritage;
- B. whereas in many cases the law as it stands and the rules and regulations ensuing therefrom do not take due account of the negative environmental impact such operations could have;
- C. whereas as a result of ill-considered and insufficiently skilled negotiations, concessions for this excavation and drilling work have been issued by the bodies responsible at prices that are not commensurate with the size of the companies concerned;
- 1. Considers that greater attention needs to be paid to protecting the land areas concerned and the resultant foreseeable problems;
- 2. Proposes that legislative action be taken to overhaul the rules and regulations concerned and to lay down that permits and authorisations may only be issued to competent industrial groups capable of working in full compliance with the law and conserving the landscape.