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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on banning live-animal key rings in Europe

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on banning live-animal key rings in Europe

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas key rings are being sold in Chinese underground and mainline stations that are approximately seven centimetres long and consist of a small plastic bag filled with oxygenated coloured liquid with inside it a small terrapin, a salamander or a fish;
- B. whereas keeping animals in these small bags causes them to suffocate and quickly meet their death from exhaustion or asphyxiation and whereas this contributes to animal suffering;
- C. whereas the purchase of these key rings may present a health risk for humans as terrapins can be salmonella carriers;
- 1. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to condemn this practice and ban any import and sale of live-animal key rings in Europe;
- 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution, together with the names of the signatories, to the Commission, the Council and the Member States.