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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on local businesses in the construction and public works sector

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on local businesses in the construction and public works sector

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the recent reform of European Union public procurement law was intended to enable small local undertakings, especially in the public works sector, to respond to calls for tenders through the subdivision of public contracts into lots;
- B. whereas, from the list of contracts recently awarded, it emerges that successful tenderers for such contracts, for example work on the Belfort-Delle line, are principally large companies;
- C. whereas this constitutes a threat to local employment, in the Territoire de Belfort for example, where 877 out of 2 630 jobs in this sector have been lost in seven years;
- D. whereas the major companies are making increasing use of posted workers to lower costs artificially;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to review public procurement provisions so as to allow the contracting authority to exclude abnormally low tenders, thereby ensuring full transparency regarding the status and cost of all workers;
- 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the Member States.

