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on redefining the rules on the presence of pesticides in agricultural products imported into the European Union

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on redefining the rules on the presence of pesticides in agricultural products imported into the European Union

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas there has been a clear increase in imports into the European Union of a host of agricultural products grown in states where the criteria applicable to their production lacks transparency;
- B. whereas in the case of many such products the huge presence of pesticides shows that tolerance standards are not being respected;
- C. whereas such products may currently also be used in the production of 'bio/organic' products, to the detriment of the entire sector; whereas this could also be prejudicial to consumer health, and subsequently impact directly on public health expenditure;
- 1. Believes that greater attention should again be paid to this matter, which should be viewed as a priority;
- 2. Proposes that legislation be introduced which sets out definitively the rules applicable to the production of 'bio/organic' products.

