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pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on the abuse of digital devices by minors

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The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the abuse of digital devices connected to the Internet has a negative effect on people's psycho-physical state;
- B. whereas several studies highlight that within the EU, adolescents and, therefore, minors, are using the Internet increasingly and in an excessive manner through electronic devices such as smartphones, tablets and computers;
- C. whereas the same study highlights that minors who abuse the Internet are increasingly affected by emotional disorders and are therefore compromising their social and family lives;
- D. whereas the negative effects on minors' health are an increasingly heavy burden on the public health expenditure of Member States;
- 1. Believes that greater attention should be paid to this issue, which should be regarded as a priority;
- 2. Proposes a regulatory policy to the Commission to clamp down on the abuse of digital devices connected to the Internet by minors.

