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## **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on an overhaul of legislation on public spending and central purchasing offices

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## Motion for a European Parliament resolution on an overhaul of legislation on public spending and central purchasing offices

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas a growing number of statistics offices are confirming that public spending on both goods and services through central purchasing offices can generate savings of up to 50% of total expenditure;
- B. whereas figures collected in 2015 from a representative sample of approximately 1 400 public administrations shows that it is possible to bring down public spending;
- C. whereas the stability laws of some Member States have introduced measures to ensure that public administrations make increasing use of agreements with central purchasing offices to help cut public spending;
- D. whereas the requisite reorganisation of the public coffers is closely tied to reducing spending, and activating safeguard clauses would only further increase the tax burden on citizens;
- 1. Believes that greater attention should be paid to the issue, which should be considered a priority under the framework of the international economy;
- 2. Calls for legislative action to be taken to lay down the rules on public spending, in an effort to ensure that public administrations make increasing use of agreements with central purchasing offices.

