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on the determination of responsibility for a road accident involving a driverless vehicle

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the determination of responsibility for a road accident involving a driverless vehicle

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas 100% autonomous vehicles, i.e. those which drive themselves without the assistance of a driver, are being developed in several European Union Member States;
- B. whereas, de facto, a rise in the number of such vehicles raises the issue of responsibility in the event of an accident, as the absence of a driver who is in full control of the vehicle makes it more difficult to determine who is responsible in the eyes of the law;
- C. whereas this issue of responsibility for 100% autonomous vehicles is not being anticipated sufficiently in the European Union Member States and whereas it therefore creates serious legal uncertainty, particularly for car manufacturers;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to consider ways of determining how responsibility should be assigned in the event of an accident involving a driverless vehicle.

