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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on the crisis affecting milk producers

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the crisis affecting milk producers

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the EU decided on 1 April 2015 to do away with the milk quotas introduced in 1984;
- B. whereas this abolition was due above all to a lack of foresight, as the Commission failed to predict the downturn in world demand for milk;
- C. whereas the ending of the quotas has led to frenzied overproduction and hence to a fall in milk production prices and farm incomes;
- D. whereas the abolition of milk quotas is consistent with the liberal direction in which the common agricultural policy has been moving since the 1990s in an attempt to tailor agricultural production to market desiderata;
- E. whereas the urgent measures taken by the EU are woefully inadequate and largely ineffective (their funding totals EUR 1 billion, whereas nearly EUR 5 billion has been committed for the migrant crisis for the years 2015 and 2016);
- 1. Calls on the Commission and Council to reverse the abolition of milk quotas;
- 2. Calls for guaranteed prices to be raised above market prices.