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pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on conditions on veal farms

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on conditions on veal farms

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas animal welfare organisations have drawn attention to unacceptable practices on certain yeal farms;
- B. whereas veal calves are taken from their mother two days after they are born, which causes considerable stress, and whereas they are sometimes deliberately fed unsuitable food in order to obtain whiter meat;
- C. whereas on some farms livestock housing is overcrowded or the cages are too small, meaning the veal calves do not have enough space to permit natural behaviour;
- D. whereas these practices need to be abolished as a matter of urgency, especially given the existence of alternatives;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to give serious thought to the way in which the plight of veal calves could be included in national animal welfare improvement strategies.

