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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on tax evasion by large companies

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on tax evasion by large companies

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas tax evasion is thought to cost the French public finances an estimated EUR 80 billion every year, or 4% of GDP;
- B. whereas tax evasion by large companies is made possible by the absolutely free movement of capital, the removal of fiscal borders and the existence of tax havens and banking secrecy;
- C. whereas a defensive protectionist strategy could help to curb tax evasion by encouraging large companies to abandon banking secrecy and subsequently to lift it entirely;
- 1. Calls on the Commission and on the Member States to consider no longer giving companies with subsidiaries in tax havens or those engaged in tax evasion access to public markets;
- 2. Calls on the Commission to consider applying significant defensive customs duties to products exported from tax havens to compel companies to lift their banking secrecy.