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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on the joint letter from Transport Ministers from eight Member States on unfair competition in the road haulage sector

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the joint letter from Transport Ministers from eight Member States on unfair competition in the road haulage sector

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas, in a joint letter, Transport Ministers from eight EU Member States expressed concern about the repercussions of abusive practices and unfair competition from other Member States in the road haulage sector;
- B. whereas, to combat this scourge, unrealistic social harmonisation has been proposed at EU level in return for market liberalisation of road haulage;
- C. whereas the Commission has opened infringement proceedings against France and Germany and their plans for systematic application of the current minimum wage in the road haulage sector;
- D. whereas it is futile to wait for agreement between the EU countries to correct this unfair competition;
- 1. Calls on the Commission and the Council, with a view to ensuring that foreign carriers are subject to the social standards of the country in which they are operating, to consider relaxing the rules on cabotage to enable Member States to limit them when necessary.