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# **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on the renewal of sanctions against Russia and their effects on Member States' economies

**Sophie Montel, Florian Philippot**

**Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the renewal of European sanctions against Russia and their effects on Member States' economies**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the European Union sanctions against Russia were extended on 15 September 2016 for six months;
- B. whereas this policy, the sole aim of which is to satisfy American interests, has been pursued to the detriment of our exporters and, in particular, our farmers, who are experiencing a severe crisis in demand;
- C. whereas these sanctions have contributed to the recovery of Russian agricultural production, with the share of pig meat imports shrinking from 30% in 2014 to 10% at present;
- D. whereas, according to the ‘Centre d’études prospectives et d’informations internationales’ (CEPII), export losses resulting from the sanctions against Russia and the Russian embargo between 2014 and July 2015 have risen to EUR 55 billion, and 77% of those losses are borne by Member States;
- E. whereas most of the losses are the repercussion of European sanctions;
- 1. Calls on the Council to lift these sanctions immediately.