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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on the threat to Member States posed by the chapter on investment in the trade agreement between the EU and Canada

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the threat to Member States posed by the chapter on investment in the trade agreement between the EU and Canada

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - A. whereas the chapter on investment in the trade agreement between Canada and the European Union (CETA) remains a potential threat to the sovereignty of Member States;
 - B. whereas that agreement would give Canadian investors and US subsidiaries in Canada the right to sue Member States in respect of any laws that affect their profits;
 - C. whereas existing treaties (such as NAFTA) show that the majority of such proceedings relate to regulations on public health, the environment, labour law, etc.;
 - D. whereas these cases will be examined by arbitration courts outside the framework of the national courts;
 - E. whereas, despite the massive mobilisation of civil society against this agreement, it is due to be signed before the end of the year;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to make the signing of this agreement conditional upon the complete overhaul of the chapter on investment so that it better respects the sovereignty of States.