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# **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure  
on the European Union budget and social policies

**Dominique Martin**

**Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the European Union budget and social policies**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the EU is expanding its sphere of competence while simultaneously seeking to restrict the Member States' budgetary margin for manoeuvre;
- B. whereas it is also trying to impose its growing influence on the regions on the pretext of bringing about greater economic convergence in the internal market;
- C. whereas it intends to introduce a European social pillar to give itself a genuine social dimension;
- D. whereas, for example, restrictive laws are planned for a number of areas which fall outside the EU's exclusive sphere of competence;
- E. whereas there is also talk of reforming workers' social protection, restructuring pension systems and even standardising tax rules and introducing a European budget for the euro area;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to respect the principle of subsidiarity and not to impose on the Member States a federalist vision of the European project.