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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on the administrative cost of pre-accession aid

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the administrative cost of pre-accession aid

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the administration costs linked directly to the implementation of the pre-accession aid instrument, as provided for in the 2017 budget, are likely to exceed EUR 40 million;
- B. whereas that figure covers various items of expenditure related to technical and administrative assistance, expenditure on external personnel at headquarters and in EU delegations, communication expenditure, and so forth;
- C. whereas spending of that sort is grossly wasteful, given that this is a time when Member States are being forced to tighten their belts;
- D. whereas the European enlargement policy has proved to be an utter disaster;
- E. whereas the appropriations in question could be more usefully employed to help improve living conditions for citizens of Member States;
- 1. Calls on the Commission and the Council to consider slashing this needless spending to the bone.