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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on the feed given to organically farmed salmon

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the feed given to organically farmed salmon

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 of 24 June 1991,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the findings of a study carried out by the French association *60 millions de consommateurs* (*60 million consumers*), which were published in November 2016, confirmed the trends identified in 2014, namely the fact that a larger proportion of the diet of organically farmed salmon consists of animal products makes the fish more prone to contamination with metals (mercury, arsenic, lead) than non-organically farmed salmon;
- B. having regard to the risks posed to public health by the presence of even small quantities of these metals in organically farmed salmon intended for human consumption;
- C. whereas the amounts of these metals found in organically farmed salmon can be reduced by increasing the share of their feed accounted for by plant products;
- 1. Urges the Commission to do away with the ceiling of 60% of organic plant products per feed ration for organically farmed salmon laid down by Commission Regulation (EC) No 710/2009 of 5 August 2009;
- 2. Urges the Commission to introduce a maximum authorised threshold of 75% of animal products per feed ration for organically farmed salmon.