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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on the shipbreaking industry

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the shipbreaking industry

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 168 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the global shipping fleet numbers 90 000 vessels and, each year, some 3 000 ships are scrapped, with this figure set to rise strongly in the coming years;
- B. whereas globalisation has seen the shipbreaking industry relocate to low-wage countries where workers are often exposed to hazardous substances;
- C. whereas article 6 of the TFEU states that the EU shall have competence to carry out actions to support, coordinate or supplement the actions of the Member States in the industrial domain;
- D. whereas article 153 of the TFEU grants the EU the power to adopt directives in the field of worker health and safety;
- 1. Encourages the Commission to:
 - support a European industrialisation policy in the area of shipbreaking;
 - promote the protection of the environment and worker health, and in particular the principles of the International Labour Organisation, in shipbreaking yards.