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pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on lumpy skin disease (bovine nodular dermatitis)

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on lumpy skin disease (bovine nodular dermatitis)

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 outbreak of lumpy skin disease in the Middle East, and more specifically Syria and Lebanon, in spring 2015, did not seem to trigger alarm bells with the EU health authorities;
- B. whereas the increase in the number of cases detected in Greece in the summer of 2015 spurred the Commission to adopt an implementing decision concerning protective measures against lumpy skin disease (2015/1423) on 21 August 2015;
- C. whereas in an opinion published on 9 August 2016, the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control assessed there to be a current risk of lumpy skin disease and recommended increased use of vaccination;
- 1. Urges the Commission to issue advisory guidelines on the regulation of lumpy skin disease and to authorise the Member States to run checks on cattle coming from areas where the disease is endemic.

