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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on the introduction of video surveillance in European abattoirs

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the introduction of video surveillance in European abattoirs

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1099/2009 of 24 September 2009 on the protection of animals at the time of killing,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas it is appropriate to react to the repeated scandals linked to animal abuse in European abattoirs, in particular in France in 2016;
- B. whereas animal welfare is a Community value which is enshrined in Protocol 3 on the protection and welfare of animals annexed to the Treaty establishing the European Community;
- C. whereas the conditions under which animals are slaughtered are a matter of public interest; whereas respect for animal welfare at the time of killing helps to improve the quality of the meat, which may influence the attitude of consumers;
- D. whereas, from the EU point of view, common rules need to be established in order to ensure fair and integrated development of the internal market for this type of product;
- 1. Encourages the Commission to propose the introduction of mandatory video surveillance in all meat and poultry abattoirs in the European Union.

