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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on the protection of the Marsican brown bear from bovine tuberculosis

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the protection of the Marsican brown bear from bovine tuberculosis

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the Marsican brown bear is a species at risk of extinction to be found in Italy, particularly in the Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise National Park;
- B. whereas in 2014 a bear affected by bovine tuberculosis was spotted close to the park in the adjoining municipality of Gioia dei Marsi; whereas a designated area, including surrounding pastureland, is regarded as being at risk of infection;
- C. whereas, under Ministerial Decree 592/1995, bovine tuberculosis inspections are carried out only on livestock and not wild animals, thereby excluding the bear from the scope of the medical and veterinary checks essential to avoid infection;
- Calls on the Commission to draw up a new plan for the accurate monitoring of wild animals in order to prevent new outbreaks of bovine tuberculosis in the Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise National Park, thereby protecting the Marsican Bear, a species protected by the European Union, from infection.

