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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on protecting European consumers from circumventions of the precautionary principle in trade agreements

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Motion for a Parliament resolution on protecting European consumers from circumventions of the precautionary principle in trade agreements

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the precautionary principle is one of the key pillars of consumer protection in the European Union;
- B. whereas the European Commission always emphasises the importance of the precautionary principle and the fact that it is non-negotiable in the discussions about free trade agreements such as TTIP and CETA;
- C. whereas the precautionary principle per se is not in the interest of a food industry characterised by cost pressures and globalisation;
 - 1. Believes that the harmlessness of new food additives in existing food products and the harmlessness of new food products should be assessed by independent state-run testing institutes;
 - 2. Calls for the consistent implementation of the precautionary principle and strict separation of testing institutes and manufacturing companies to form the basis of all future EU trade agreements.