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## **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 143 of the Rules of Procedure

on a fisheries partnership agreement between the European Union and Libya  
and on cooperation between EU and Libyan fishermen

**Raffaele Stancanelli**

**European Parliament resolution on a fisheries partnership agreement between the European Union and Libya and on cooperation between EU and Libyan fishermen**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the European Union has exclusive competence in fisheries matters, in particular as regards the conclusion of international agreements with third countries;
- B. whereas because of the ongoing civil war, Libyan waters are being fished far less and this maritime area is now very rich in fish stocks;
- C. whereas the EU provides Libya with a considerable amount of financial support, chiefly through the European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI) and the Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace (IcSP), and whereas to date around EUR 103 million has already been disbursed to support Libyans in fields relating to governance, health, civil society, youth and education, as well as a further EUR 44 million delivered since 2014 for humanitarian assistance;
- 1. Calls on the Commission, in light too of the economic support already granted to Libya, to negotiate a fisheries partnership agreement that will enable EU fishermen to have legal and safe access to the fishing area over which Libya has jurisdiction and will at the same time foster steps for cooperation between EU and Libyan fishermen.