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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 143 of the Rules of Procedure

on EU-level recognition of care-givers and safeguarding their rights

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on EU-level recognition of care-givers and safeguarding their rights

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 3 of the Treaty on European Union,
 - having regard to Directive (EU) 2019/1158 on work-life balance for parents and carers and repealing Council Directive 2010/18/EU,
 - having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the role of care-givers is of paramount importance, and they account for an estimated 10-25% of the European population;
- B. whereas the emergency triggered by the pandemic has made the inadequacy of systems protecting the rights of family care-givers even more evident;
- C. whereas the legislation protecting this category of people varies widely across the various Member States;
- D. whereas the role of care-giver is performed almost exclusively by women;
1. Takes the view that if we wish to achieve fully the objectives of combating social exclusion and discrimination set out in the Treaties, EU-level action is needed to ensure the rights of care-givers are wholly safeguarded and the fundamental role they play is recognised;
 2. Hopes that such action will be aimed at phasing out differences that persist between Member States;
 3. Takes the view that it is of paramount importance to fully ensure the right balance is struck between the right to work and family care for women engaged in such work.