



Plenary sitting

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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 143 of the Rules of Procedure

on ending the illegal online trafficking of animals and plants in the European Union and setting up a European animal register

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on ending the illegal online trafficking of animals and plants in the European Union and setting up a European animal register

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the EU Action Plan against Wildlife Trafficking,
 - having regard to the adoption of the Digital Markets Act, the Digital Services Act, and the proposal for a data act,
 - having regard to the priorities of the European Multidisciplinary Platform Against Criminal Threats (EMPACT),
 - having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas environmental crime is one of the most profitable forms of international organised crime and has an impact on not only the environment but also human health;
- B. whereas the illegal trafficking of wildlife, pets and plant species is facilitated through the malicious and misleading use of online platforms, in particular suspicious sales offers posted on social media;
1. Calls on the Commission to develop specific guidelines or requirements for sellers to declare the legal status of species on sale;
 2. Calls on the Commission to devise a legislative framework that is fit for the purpose of fighting cybercrime and the illegal online trafficking of flora and fauna;
 3. Calls on the Commission to set up a European animal register and to improve existing tools and the collection of critical data sets to achieve scalable, reliable, systematic and repeatable methods for automatically detecting wildlife cybercrime.