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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 143 of the Rules of Procedure

on fertiliser shortages

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on fertiliser shortages

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission communication of 23 March 2022 entitled ‘Safeguarding food security and reinforcing the resilience of food systems’ (COM(2022)0133 final),
- having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the reduction in our gas supply from Russia is leading to a shortage of nitrogen fertilisers and rising fertiliser prices;
- B. whereas the high premiums charged by insurance companies to cover shipping risks have an impact on imports of Russian fertilisers;
- C. whereas the EU has banned imports of potash from Belarus;
- D. whereas this situation is dangerous for Europe’s food security, which is largely dependent on fertilisers imported from Russia and Belarus;
 1. Calls on the Commission not to replace these imports with others, as this would maintain our dependence and reduce access to this resource for African states;
 2. Calls on the Commission to support environmentally friendly alternatives, such as the production of leguminous crops to fix nitrogen in the soil and local production of organic fertilisers, such as livestock effluents (slurry, manure) or digestate (methanisers);
 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission.