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on the protection of workers from accidents at work and crimes committed by employers

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the protection of workers from accidents at work and crimes committed by employers

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- 1. Calls on the Member States to take all necessary legislative and other measures concerning:
- (a) national general collective agreements and sectoral collective agreements, with specific measures on protecting life and health at work, wage increases and reinstatement of pay grade increases;
- (b) the prevention of accidents at work and occupational diseases;
- (c) a significant reinforcement of workplace inspections and checks to ensure that employers are fulfilling their duty to prevent and respond to occupational risk, a responsibility which is theirs alone;
- (d) public associations of safety engineers and occupational health doctors, and occupational health and safety services in the exclusively public healthcare system;
- (e) systematic monitoring of workers' health with free check-ups, especially for pregnant women and female workers in general;
- (f) the recognition and broadening of the list of arduous and unhealthy occupations, working time for arduous and unhealthy occupations (six-hour workday, five-day/30-hour week), an increase in leave days, the lowering of the retirement age for women to 50 and for men to 55 and the ban on children working in hazardous occupations;
- (g) comprehensive state cover for workers against occupational risk, at the sole expense of the employer; free hospital and medical cover and full compensation for the entire period of absence from work as a result of an accident at work or an occupational disease; full pension for people unable to work, or for their families in the event of death.

