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# **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 143 of the Rules of Procedure  
on whale and dolphin hunting in the Faroe Islands

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**Motion for a European Parliament resolution on whale and dolphin hunting in the Faroe Islands**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the EU has enacted legislation to protect cetaceans from being hunted, caught or kept in captivity, and to prohibit trade in products made from these animals and originating from non-EU countries<sup>1</sup>;
  1. Recognises concerns regarding the *grindadráp* in the Faroe Islands, which conflicts with European values, and calls on the Commission to:
    - a. reopen negotiations regarding the agreement between the EU and the Danish and Faroese governments<sup>2</sup> concerning fishery imports and fishing practices, and suspend imports until the Faroese government indefinitely suspends the *grindadráp*;
    - b. revise the EU's agreement with the Faroese government on the participation of the Faroe Islands in Union programmes<sup>3</sup> and suspend funding to the Faroe Islands through Horizon Europe and all other Union programmes, noting that Faroese whale and dolphin hunting is not in line with the EU's sustainability goals;
    - c. mandate country-of-origin labelling for fish products originating from the Faroe Islands to improve transparency in the single market and allow consumers to make informed choices;
    - d. ensure the alignment of the Faroe Islands' whaling regulations with international standards, including provisions to protect mothers and offspring of targeted marine mammal species.

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<sup>1</sup> Council Decision 82/461/EEC of 24 June 1982 on the conclusion of the Convention on the conservation of migratory species of wild animals (OJ L 210, 19.7.1982, p. 10); Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora (OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p. 7); Council Regulation (EC) No 338/97 of 9 December 1996 on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein (OJ L 61, 3.3.1997, p. 1).

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 53, 22.2.1997, p. 2.

<sup>3</sup> OJ L 154, 7.6.2022, p. 4.