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pursuant to Rule 116 of the Rules of Procedure

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on using an origin mark to add value to and protect European cutlery products

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Written declaration on using an origin mark to add value to and protect European cutlery products

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 116 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the occurrence of counterfeit products has increased considerably in the world trade arena and they now account for more than 10% of international trade,
- B. whereas European businesses are the primary victims of these thoroughly unfair practices and all the negative consequences that ensue in terms of economic development and employment,
- C. whereas the European cutlery sector is particularly badly affected by these unfair practices,
 1. Calls on the Council to include cutlery products in the scope of its Draft Regulation on the indication of the country of origin of certain products imported from third countries (doc. 5091/06);
 2. Calls on the Council to adopt the draft regulation thus amended as quickly as possible;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this declaration, together with the names of the signatories, to the parliaments and governments of the Member States, the Council and the Commission.