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WRITTEN DECLARATION

pursuant to Rule 123 of the Rules of Procedure

on the creation of standardised and comprehensible European energy invoices

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Written declaration on the creation of standardised and comprehensible European energy invoices

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 123 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas all over Europe consumers frequently complain about the energy invoices received from their energy suppliers,
- B. whereas significant differences exist in the quantity and quality of the information provided to European energy consumers through their invoices depending on their respective supplier,
- C. whereas adequate and timely information to consumers regarding consumption and pricing is essential to allow them to choose their energy supplier,
- D. whereas the third internal energy market legislative package adopted by the European Parliament establishes the minimum information that suppliers have to include in their invoices,
 1. Calls on the Commission to promote the recommendations of the Working Group on Billing and to fully take them into account in future legislative proposals; calls on Member States to ensure the rapid and full implementation of the billing obligations included in the third internal energy market legislative package;
 2. Encourages the creation of a comprehensive and friendly form of energy invoice to allow consumers to carry out a more economic and efficient energy use and to easily change supplier;
 3. Stresses that information on the environmental impact of the energy consumption should be indicated on the invoices in an easily understandable manner;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this declaration, together with the names of the signatories, to the Council, the Commission and the parliaments of the Member States.