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pursuant to Rule 123 of the Rules of Procedure

on energy efficiency of the European Union's institution buildings

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Written declaration on energy efficiency of the European Union's institution buildings

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the TFEU, and in particular Article 194(2),
 - having regard to Directive 2010/31/EU on the energy performance of buildings (Recast),
 - having regard to Rule 123 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas buildings account for 40% of total energy consumption in the EU,
- B. whereas reduction of energy consumption and the use of energy from renewable sources in the buildings sector constitute important measures to reduce the Union's energy dependency and greenhouse gas emissions,
- C. whereas the public sector in the EU should lead the way in the field of energy performance of buildings,
1. Calls on the European institutions to set up a carbon footprint analysis of their buildings associated with a concrete Action Plan in order to reduce emissions and costs, and to make it public as soon as possible;
 2. Calls on the European institutions to lead by example in the field of energy performance of buildings and to thoroughly renovate their buildings to the best standards, by 2020;
 3. Calls on the European institutions to use renewable sources and on-site production of renewable energy;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this declaration, together with the names of the signatories, to the Council, Commission and other European Union bodies concerned.