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on regional strategies for renewable energies in the EU islands

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Written declaration, under Rule 123 of Parliament's Rules of Procedure, on regional strategies for renewable energies in the EU islands¹

1. The Europe 2020 strategy aims to promote smart, sustainable and inclusive growth with efficient use of natural resources, such as energy resources;
2. A number of EU islands have signed the Pact of Islands by which they agreed to reduce CO₂ emissions in their territories by at least 20 % and to establish an Islands Sustainable Energy Action Plan (ISEAP);
3. Regional strategies for renewable energies in the EU islands can contribute to reducing their dependence on fossil fuels and making them more competitive in the internal market, while enhancing renewable energy policy as a priority until 2020;
4. The objectives of energy efficiency and energy savings are of utmost importance for the EU islands, and renewable energy strategies may help guarantee the security of energy supply and energy sustainability in these regions;
5. The Commission is hence called upon to raise awareness among the Member States and EU regional authorities with respect to the implementation of regional strategies for renewable energies in the EU islands;
6. This declaration, together with the names of the signatories, is forwarded to the Commission.

¹ In accordance with Rule 123(4) and (5) of Parliament's Rules of Procedure, when the declaration is signed by a majority of Parliament's component Members, it shall be published in the minutes with the names of its signatories and forwarded to the addressees, without however binding Parliament.