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WRITTEN DECLARATION

submitted under Rule 123 of the Rules of Procedure

on promoting social inclusion and combating all forms of discrimination in the labour market

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Written declaration, under Rule 123 of Parliament's Rules of Procedure, on promoting social inclusion and combating all forms of discrimination in the labour market¹

1. The economic crisis has disproportionately put at risk the employability and inclusion of the most disadvantaged groups in society. These groups face additional barriers not only in obtaining access to the labour market, but also as regards trying to live harmoniously in society.
2. The objective of combating social exclusion and discrimination is enshrined in the Treaties.
3. Within the limits of the competences conferred upon it by the Treaties, the Commission is hence called upon to place particular emphasis on promoting an inclusive labour market with opportunities for disadvantaged people while combating all forms of discrimination, and on promoting a favourable environment for the establishment of social entrepreneurship enterprises which reinvest their surpluses with a view to achieving a wider social or community objective.
4. This declaration, together with the names of the signatories, is forwarded to the Commission.

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