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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr GHERGO, Mr COSTANZO,  
Mrs CASSANMAGNAGO CERRETTI, Mr NARDUCCI,  
Mr COLLESELLI, Mr BARBAGLI, Mr LIGIOS,  
Mr FILIPPI and Mr BERSANI,

pursuant to Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure

on the protection of the consumer against  
commercial frauds

PE 63.857

The European Parliament,

- considering that one of the main aims of the Community is the harmonization of the national laws of the Member States to provide broader and more comprehensive protection of the public and to protect the fundamental rights of individual citizens,
  - considering that the protection of consumers against cases of fraud concerning foodstuffs is one of the most important questions in our society,
  - considering further the need to protect the health of the public both as regards food products which are not genuine or of a quality inferior to that stated, and as regards possible damage caused by inadequate consumer protection provisions,
  - noting that certain cheese producers habitually use milk powder destined for animal feeds for the manufacture of products for human consumption,
1. Calls upon the Commission to consider the possibility of introducing into European legislation rules to prevent milk powder destined for animal feeds being used for the production of foods for human consumption;
  2. Believes that for this purpose it should be made compulsory to add a tracer substance for all types of milk powder which receive aid for use in animal feedingstuffs;
  3. Recommends that the choice of the tracer substance should, nevertheless, take into account the need to avoid products which could be damaging to human health;
  4. Proposes that, for this purpose, a committee of experts be set up with the task of proposing the substances which are best suited to the above purpose;
  5. Points out that provision should be made in an appropriate Community directive for the introduction of a 'declaration of origin' for all dairy products in intra-Community trade, pursuant to Article 115 of the Treaty of Rome: