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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 120 of the Rules of Procedure
on the sale of uninhabited villages to private companies

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the sale of uninhabited villages to private companies

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 120 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas a large number of uninhabited villages in remote areas with economic problems are owned by public entities;
- B. whereas the principle of economic freedom is guaranteed by the EU;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to agree with the Member States to allow local authorities to sell these villages to private companies or individuals, which must undertake to restructure the areas whilst respecting their history and architecture, and to offer valid social and occupational retraining programmes;
- 2. Also calls on the Commission to create projects to revitalise these areas for tourism and business, with a particular focus on the craft sector and agriculture;
- 3. Calls on the Member States to implement tax policies that encourage repopulation and the establishment of tourist facilities and shops in the areas currently in a state of decay and neglect;
- 4. Calls on the Member States to promote such repopulation with the construction or renovation of infrastructure that provides access to these remote areas.