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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 143 of the Rules of Procedure

on banning the sale of organic products cultivated in heated greenhouses
outside their harvesting season

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on banning the sale of organic products cultivated in heated greenhouses outside their harvesting season

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas Regulation (EU) No 2018/848¹ states that organic production is a sustainable management system that is based on

the responsible use of energy and natural resources and must respect ‘nature’s systems and cycles’;
- B. whereas a report published in 2013² recommended using as little energy as possible in organic farming;
- C. whereas a tomato produced in a heated greenhouse emits seven times as much greenhouse gas as a tomato produced in season;
- D. whereas the sale of agricultural products outside their season encourages their growing in heated greenhouses;
- E. whereas French producers of organic fruit and vegetables are banned from marketing vegetables produced in heated greenhouses outside their harvesting season;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to formulate proposals for amending Regulation (EU) No 2018/848 so as to ban throughout the European Union the marketing of organic fruit and vegetables produced in heated greenhouses outside their harvesting season;
- 2. Calls on the Commission to make 2025 the year in which all greenhouses will be required to be heated solely using renewable energy.

¹<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02018R0848-20180614&qid=1581341039194&from=EN> [see Article 5(a) and (c)].

² <https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/food-farming-fisheries/farming/documents/final-report-etop-greenhouse-production.pdf>