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Social Dumping

Time to end the exploitation of workers across the European Union

The European Parliament today adopted the Balas report on "social dumping within the European Union".

Today's decision is significant in the context of the forthcoming negotiations on the controversial directive on posted workers.

Commenting after the vote, Greens/EFA member of the Committee for Employment and Social Affairs **Jean Lambert** said:

"The social exploitation of cross-border workers must end. As European Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker correctly noted in his State of the European Union speech, the EU is not social enough. The European Commission now has an opportunity to show that it is serious about delivering a more social union.

"It is the sad reality that many workers today, especially in agriculture, catering, and health and care services, are experiencing what amounts to systematic exploitation. This has to end and we need EU-wide rules to ensure adequate remuneration, better inspection, cross-border cooperation and an EU-wide blacklist of exploitative companies."

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