**Rana Plaza tragedy: the European Parliament stand for workers 'rights**

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**Sound:** natural with English speech, natural with French speech

**Duration:**  03:26

**Source:** S&D group

**Restriction:** none

**Intro**

*Strasbourg, 29th of April*. Today, a European Parliament resolution put forward by the S&D Group calls on international brands to pay the compensation they owe to the survivors and the relatives of the victims of the Rana Plaza building collapse in Bangladesh. The 8.5 million USD is nothing for companies whose profits number in the billions of dollars.

**Shotlist**

FRANCE, STRASBOURG (APRIL 28, 2015) (SOCIALISTS AND DEMOCRATS, EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT - ACCESS ALL)

1. BLACK PANNEL SAYING:

“VOXPOP in Strasbourg shopping streets.”

3. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF FAMOUS BRANDS SHOPS IN THE STREETS OF STRASBOURG

1. VOX POP, 1ST QUESTION (BLACK PANNEL SAYING):

When you buy clothes, do you care about the working conditions of the people who made them?

1. N1 SAYING (FRENCH):

“No.”

1. N2 SAYING (FRENCH):

First boy: « No, never. »

Second boy: « Yes, sometimes. »

First boy: « It depends. »

1. N3 SAYING (FRENCH):

“Of course. Clothes coming from a European country have a better quality guarantee than clothes coming from Asia. »

1. N4 SAYING (FRENCH):

“Absolutely. For me, it's important to know how clothes are manufactured and if children are involved..”

1. N5 SAYING (FRENCH):

« I don't ask myself about the working conditions but I do ask myself about the origin of the clothes. »

N6 SAYING (FRENCH):

“Not at all. I first check the price and the type of clothes. I don't really check the origin. ”

1. N7 SAYING (FRENCH):

«  I often hear about it but I don't really ask myself about it. »

1. VOX POP, 2nd QUESTION (BLACK PANNEL SAYING):

“ If you knew about the working conditions, would it affect your choice?”

1. N1 SAYING (FRENCH):

“Yes, of course.”

1. N2 SAYING (FRENCH):

“It could have an impact on me.”

1. N3 SAYING (FRENCH):

“Yes.”

1. N4 SAYING (FRENCH):

“I really don't know.”

1. N5 SAYING (FRENCH):

“Sometimes we get carried away by fashion.”

1. N6 SAYING (FRENCH):

“This is not explained enough. We know about it but we don't pay attention to it.”

1. N7 SAYING (FRENCH):

“I would be reluctant to buy it but too many brands are involved. This makes things complicated.”

FRANCE, STRASBOURG (APRIL 29, 2015) (SOCIALISTS AND DEMOCRATS, EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT - ACCESS ALL)

1. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT (EXTERIOR)
2. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF THE VOTE ON THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF THE COLLAPSE OF THE RANA PLAZA BUILDING IN BANGLADESH
3. DAVID MARTIN (S&D MEP, GB) SAYING (ENGLISH SPEECH):

“Two years after a thousand people died, any adequate compensation has been paid to the victims. Many big companies that promised money and should have paid money haven't done so. The first thing in the resolution is to say: Let's get on with paying compensations and if companies don't, we should name and shame them.”

1. CUTAWAY: DAVID MARTIN TALKING TO HER ASSISTANT
2. DAVID MARTIN (S&D MEP, GB) SAYING (ENGLISH SPEECH):

“The trade unions should be better recognized in Bangladesh because they historically and traditionally support health and safety and look after workers' rights on the ground. Linked to that, Bangladesh should do more to deliver the promise of more factory inspectors.”

1. CUTAWAY: DAVID MARTIN TALKING TO HER ASSISTANT
2. DAVID MARTIN (S&D MEP, GB) SAYING (ENGLISH SPEECH):

 “The culture of cheap labour for cheap clothes has to change. European and American retailers have to take responsibilities for the supply chain from the beginning to the end" + and I think consumers have to be prepared to pay a little bit more to ensure that the clothes are produced in human conditions. »

DHAKA, BANGLADESH (MAY 31, 2010) (EUROPEAN COMMISSION AUDIOVISUAL – ACCESS TO ALL)

1. CUTAWAY: YOUNG WORKERS GOING TO WORK IN DHAKA

DHAKA, BANGLADESH (JUNE 23, 2011) (EUROPEAN COMMISSION AUDIOVISUAL – ACCESS TO ALL)

1. CUTAWAY: YOUNG WORKERS WORKING IN A FAMOUS CLOTHES BRAND’S MANUFACTURE

**Story**

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This video package includes:

- a vox pop in Strasbourg's shopping streets (natural sound bites in French. English subtitles)

- extracts of the plenary vote

- an interview with the S&D spokesperson on international trade, David Martin (natural sound bites in English)

- stock shots: textile manufactory in Bangladesh