**Workers should not pay for the fraud of**

**Volkswagen's managers**

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**Intro**

The Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament once more denounced any fraudulent behaviour intended to circumvent environmental laws in the European Union. Today they supported a parliamentary resolution in which they deplore the fact that millions of consumers have been misled by false information regarding emissions from their vehicles; emissions that have harmful effects on human health and the environment.

 They have again called on the Commission and member states to take concrete action to restore consumer confidence and proceed with investigations into the manipulation of emissions test results. Moreover they call for the establishment of an EU-level surveillance authority to improve implementation of EU environmental regulations and ensure an EU-wide level playing field. They also call for a thorough investigation examining the role and responsibility of the Commission and the member state authorities regarding their knowledge of the breaches of EU regulations.

**Shotlist**

STRASBOURG, FRANCE (OCTOTBER 27, 2015) (SOCIALISTS AND DEMOCRATS, EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT - ACCESS ALL)

1. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT IN STRASBOURG (EXTERIOR)
2. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF THE VOTING SESSION IN THE PLENARY ROOM
3. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF MATTHIAS GROOTE TALKING TO HIS ASSISTANT
4. MATTHIAS GROOTE, S&D SPOKESPERSON ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH SAYING (ENGLISH):

 “The Volkswagen scandal shocked our Group. We did not imagine that this company could cheat at such a level. So many cars are concerned, it affects citizens and the environment”.

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2. MATTHIAS GROOTE, S&D SPOKESPERSON ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH SAYING (ENGLISH):

 “We ask for more transparency, transparency in the all process of type approval. We also need a Real Driving Emissions test procedure. Currently, the cars are tested in a laboratory and it is really an old-fashioned way of working.

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2. MATTHIAS GROOTE, S&D SPOKESPERSON ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH SAYING (ENGLISH):

We will vote for a “technology-neutral” resolution because engineers and customers are the one who has to choose which technology to choose. We want clean transportation and we will set measures for air quality and, in the future, measures for fuel consumption”.

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