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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on violence at sports events

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on violence at sports events

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission communication of 18 January 2011 entitled 'Developing the European Dimension in Sport' (COM(2011)0012),
- having regard to the Commission White Paper on Sport,
- having regard to the European Convention of 19 August 1985 on Spectator Violence and Misbehaviour at Sports Events and in particular at Football Matches,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the global social phenomenon of violence at sports events has endangered the image, values and credibility of sport as a whole;
- B. whereas violence in sport presents the EU with the challenge of taking joint cooperative action to prevent violence and misbehaviour by spectators at sports events;
- C. whereas a strong commitment on the part of national governments and police forces to implementing effective policies to prevent disorder and violence among supporters across Europe is necessary;
- D. whereas the exchange of information and the implementation of coordinated measures to deal with safety and security issues in and around sports fields, with a clear legal framework designating responsibilities among the entities involved, would make a significant contribution to removing violence from sports events;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to take resolute action to eradicate all forms of violence from sports events;
- 2. Calls on the Commission to implement legislation prohibiting demonstrations of any kind and the dissemination of political, religious or racist propaganda at sports events.

