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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on suspension of the Schengen agreements

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on suspension of the Schengen agreements

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 78 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
- having regard to Article 2 of the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas at least 1 400 French citizens have gone to fight as jihadists in countries that are not members of the European Union and are now starting to return;
- B. whereas the French Defence Minister Jean-Yves Le Drian has stated that 'France has never before experienced such a connection between direct threats within the country and those multiplying beyond its borders' and that 'the jihadist threat is henceforth a global one';
- C. whereas the recent terrorist attacks in Europe were carried out by terrorists who had gone to be trained in countries outside the EU which are descending into chaos;
- D. whereas when leaving and returning to the EU, these terrorists take advantage of EU borders being open;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to suspend the Schengen Area and re-establish checks at internal EU borders;
- 2. Calls for a programme to be set up to monitor Europeans returning from jihad;
- 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the Member States.

