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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

with request for inclusion in the agenda for a debate on cases of breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law

pursuant to Rule 135 of the Rules of Procedure

on Paraguay: the legal aspects related to the child pregnancy (2015/2733(RSP))

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European Parliament resolution on Paraguay: the legal aspects related to the child pregnancy (2015/2733(RSP))

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 54 of the Constitution of Paraguay on the Protection of the Child,
- having regard to the 1990 UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, 1990, signed and ratified by all European Union Member States and Paraguay,
- having regard to the 1979 UN Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination against
 Women, signed and ratified by all European Union Member States and Paraguay;
- having regard to the rape of a 10 year old girl by a family member, which resulted in pregnancy,
 - 1. Condemns all circumstances which involve a violation of the rights of children;
 - 2. Stresses, therefore, the importance of ensuring that any action taken is always in the best interest of the child and in line with international conventions and national Constitutions which protect the rights of women and children; in this regard, highlights the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, the UN Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination against Women and Article 54 of the Constitution of Paraguay regarding the Protection of the child;
 - 3. Condemns the lack of physiological support which has been provided so far to the girl and underlines that the provision of emotional and medical support following the traumatic event of the child and her affected family members must be prioritised;
 - 4. Welcomes the fact that the perpetrator has been imprisoned but stresses that physiological trauma which remains for the child must also be addressed; calls therefore for appropriate support systems and counselling services to be provided;
 - 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and the Government of Paraguay;