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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on the need to regulate the sale and transfer of disassembled weapons

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the need to regulate the sale and transfer of disassembled weapons

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas a recent study by the Italian Permanent Small Arms Observatory (*Osservatorio permanente sulle armi leggere*) has revealed that the international arms traffickers that supply mafia and terrorist organisations, taking advantage of a legal vacuum, are transferring weapons in detached parts, which, on delivery notes, are defined as 'metal parts' or 'mechanical components', or similar wording that is too general to allow the weapons to be detected;
- B. whereas national and international legislation on spare parts and detached parts of weapons is inadequate;
- C. whereas a disassembled weapon can be reassembled and become operational;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to legislate on this matter in order to regulate this aspect of the sale and transfer of weapons, which is vital for the security of EU citizens.