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## **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on halting the procedure for accession to the EU by Turkey

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# Motion for a European Parliament resolution on halting the procedure for accession to the EU by Turkey

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, and particularly Article 12 thereof,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas, despite the disapproval felt by residents of European States, the procedure intended to lead to accession to the European Union by Turkey, which was initiated in 2005, is continuing; whereas 14 of the 33 chapters to be negotiated have been opened and whereas one of them has been approved;
- B. whereas Turkey is accorded privileged status on account of its participation in NATO and recurrent pressure from the USA, acting as an external federalising force;
- C. having regard to the latest breaches of the fundamental right to demonstrate peacefully and freedom of the press;
- D. whereas, in their statements and actions, European leaders disconcertingly apply double standards in their treatment on the one hand of a third country, Russia, and on the other hand of a country which nonetheless has an ambition to join the European Union, Turkey;
- 1. Calls on the Commission and the European Council to immediately halt the procedure intended to lead to accession to the European Union by Turkey;
- 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the Member States.

