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## **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on the need to monitor the Balkan route to make the EU's external borders secure and impenetrable

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the need to monitor the Balkan route to make the EU's external borders secure and impenetrable

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the Balkan route has hit the headlines due to the dramatic images which have recently been broadcast by the media, showing a continuous and uncontrollable flow of illegal migrants from Syria, Iraq, Lebanon, Turkey, Jordan, Afghanistan and Pakistan, in addition to a number of African countries;
- B. whereas, according to data published by Frontex, the number of people crossing the Balkans to reach the European Union has increased by 50% over the past year;
- C. whereas the UNCHR itself has calculated that at least 3000 illegal migrants are crossing the border between Greece and FYROM every day;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to take note of these dramatic figures, which are a conservative estimate, and to make every effort to monitor the Balkan route and make the Union's external borders secure and impenetrable.

