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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on the halting of the negotiations on Turkey's accession to the European Union

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the halting of the negotiations on Turkey's accession to the European Union

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas, in spite of the clear objections expressed by public opinion in the Member States, Turkey's accession procedure to the European Union, launched in 2005, is continuing, with 14 of the 23 negotiation chapters open;
- B. whereas Turkey has a privileged status as a result of its membership of NATO and the political pressure repeatedly applied by the US;
- C. whereas political events in Turkey since June 2015 have resulted in a large number of attacks on press freedom, the right to demonstrate peacefully and the fundamental rights of the Kurdish minority by the Turkish Government;
- D. whereas Chancellor Merkel made some worrying political statements at the recent European summit on the migrant crisis, promising her support for Turkey's application and for the prompt opening of new negotiation chapters;
- 1. Calls on the Commission and the Council to cease forthwith all cooperation with a Turkish government in flagrant abuse of its authority and to abandon Turkey's accession procedure to the European Union.