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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on denying Kosovo EU membership and recognition

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on denying Kosovo EU membership and recognition

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas every year the Commission publishes a report on Kosovo's progress towards accession to the European Union;
- B. whereas in October 2015 the EU and Kosovo signed a Stabilisation and Association Agreement;
- C. whereas Kosovo is not a member of the United Nations and five EU Member States still do not recognise it as a sovereign state, and whereas UNESCO recently rejected an application for permanent membership from Kosovo;
- D. having regard to the ethnic cleansing of Serbs orchestrated by Kosovo between 1999 and 2004 and to the destruction of more than 150 churches and monasteries;
- E. having regard to UN Security Council Resolution 1244, and whereas recognising Kosovo could set a precedent at odds with international law;
- 1. Calls for the EU to reject any future application for membership from Kosovo and to refuse to recognise it as a sovereign state;
- 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the Member States.