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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on the NATO-Serbia cooperation agreement

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the NATO-Serbia cooperation agreement

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas thousands of Serbs took to the streets of Belgrade on Saturday, 20 February 2016 in order to protest against the signing, the day before, of the law ratifying Serbia's cooperation agreement with NATO and to call for a referendum;
- B. whereas, according to a recent opinion poll, between 66% and 85% of Serbs are opposed to President Nikolic's decision to approve the agreement with NATO;
- 1. Emphasises that NATO's bombing of Yugoslavia between February and June 1999 left at least 2500 people dead, most of them civilians;
- 2. Notes that in 2007 the Serbian Parliament adopted a resolution stipulating that Serbia is neutral and independent of all military alliances;
- 3. Urges the Council, the Commission and the VP/HR to make representations to the Serbian Government and President with a view to ensuring that the sovereignty of the Serbian people, former Articles 2 and 21 of the Treaty on European Union, Article 205 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and the Serbian Parliament's 2007 resolution on neutrality are upheld;
- 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, the Government of Serbia and the President of the Republic of Serbia.