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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on the European Centre for Press and Media Freedom

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the European Centre for Press and Media Freedom

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the European Centre for Press and Media Freedom (ECPMF) is a non-profit organisation which was launched by around 20 media organisations;
- B. whereas the Centre aims to defend freedom of the media in the EU and will deal with violations of freedom of the press in the Member States of the Union and beyond;
- C. whereas the Commission financed the Centre to the tune of EUR 749 000 in 2015 and 2016;
- D. whereas the 2017 draft budget is set to grant EUR 900 000 to the Centre;
- E. whereas the Commission is not best placed to protect the freedom of expression of the press;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to streamline its subsidies, the only purpose of which is to protect the Union's interests.