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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure
on the prevalence of HIV among women

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the prevalence of HIV among women

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 168 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
 - having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - A. whereas there were 2.1 million new HIV infections in 2015;
 - B. whereas cases of HIV are increasing among certain categories and the percentage of women is growing: the latter now represent 51% of all HIV-positive people;
 - C. whereas among young people aged 15 to 24, 46% of all new HIV diagnoses concern women in Europe and 66% in Africa, where in the latter case the numbers are twice as high as that observed among men of the same age;
 - D. whereas women form a risk group for HIV infection due to their vulnerability to physical attacks and human trafficking;
 - E. whereas the prevalence of HIV among women is all the more worrying considering the insufficient access to anti-retroviral treatments: only 62% of HIV-positive women who are pregnant for instance benefit from anti-retroviral treatment which prevents the child from being infected;
1. Encourages the Commission to identify women as a risk group for this infection.