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# **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure  
on liberalisation of visa arrangements with Kosovo

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**Motion for a European Parliament resolution on liberalisation of visa arrangements with Kosovo**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Regulation (EU) No 2018/1806,
  - having regard to the Council’s conclusions of 16 June 2003 ('Thessaloniki agenda'),
  - having regard to the Visa Liberalisation Roadmap presented to Kosovo on 14 June 2012,
  - having regard to the Commission proposal (COM(2016)0277),
  - having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas, under the Thessaloniki agenda, Kosovo could be eligible for short-term visa liberalisation arrangements, the final condition having been met on 21 March 2018 by the border agreement with Montenegro;
- B. whereas the roadmap includes conditions relating to corruption and minority rights;
1. Notes that Kosovo’s ranking on the Transparency International corruption perceptions index fell between 2017 and 2018;
  2. Notes that, on 1 February 2019, the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo reported renewed tensions with the Serbian minority following the imposition of 100% customs duties on goods imported from Serbia and the transformation of the Kosovo Security Force into an army;
  3. Asks the Council to refuse liberalisation of visa arrangements with Kosovo.