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## WRITTEN DECLARATION

submitted under Rule 123 of the Rules of Procedure

on the dangers of nationalism, anti-Semitism and other forms of ethnic intolerance on the part of movements opposing the European project

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**Written declaration, under Rule 123 of Parliament's Rules of Procedure, on the dangers of nationalism, anti-Semitism and other forms of ethnic intolerance on the part of movements opposing the European project<sup>1</sup>**

1. The current economic depression has amplified nationalism, anti-Semitism and other forms of ethnic hatred, expressed, inter alia, through opposition to the European project;
2. Events in Europe in the last century are a powerful reminder of the fatal consequences of any failure to stand up to intolerance and hatred;
3. All forms of ethnic discrimination, such as the aggressive and deplorable anti-Semitism of the Jobbik party in the Hungarian parliament, should be condemned; Jobbik's request for a list of Jewish members of the government and parliament invites parallels with the rhetoric and practices of Nazism;
4. Attempts to stir primitive nationalism aimed at reversing the process of EU integration and undermining the European post-war order must be resisted; European integration has been, and remains, central to the fight against ethnic intolerance;
5. The Commission and the Council are therefore called upon actively to resist the new wave of intolerance that manifests itself in anti-Semitic, nationalistic and anti-EU attitudes;
6. The Commission is also called upon to provide extensive information about the measures that have been taken following Parliament's resolution of 14 March 2013 on strengthening the fight against racism, xenophobia and hate crime;
7. This declaration, together with the names of the signatories, is forwarded to the Council and the Commission.

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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with Rule 123(4) and (5) of Parliament's Rules of Procedure, when the declaration is signed by a majority of Parliament's component Members, it shall be published in the minutes with the names of its signatories and forwarded to the addressees without, however, binding Parliament.