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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 120 of the Rules of Procedure
on the violation of the rights of minorities in South Africa

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the violation of the rights of minorities in South Africa

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 120 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - A. whereas recent police violence in South Africa indicates that the State is decaying;
 - B. whereas minorities of European origin are falling victim to farm murders, which have already claimed 3 000 lives; whereas, at ANC meetings, songs are sung containing words such as ‘kill the Boer, kill the farmer’;
 - C. whereas a stable agricultural sector is essential for the food supply and for the employment of rural workers, but the government has announced compulsory expropriations of land reminiscent of those in Zimbabwe;
 - D. whereas more and more white South Africans are falling victim to so-called positive discrimination, causing a brain drain to other countries;
 - E. whereas the ANC government is expunging many historic names of towns, villages and streets, including names dating from hundreds of years before the apartheid era; whereas this constitutes a breach of the obligations accepted by South Africa by virtue of its ratification of the UNESCO Convention of 20 October 2005 on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions;
1. Calls on the Commission and the High Representative to urge the South African Government to respect and protect the rights of minorities;
 2. Calls for aid to South Africa to be made conditional on the attainment of this objective.