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WRITTEN DECLARATION

pursuant to Rule 116 of the Rules of Procedure

by Manuel dos Santos, Fausto Correia, Jamila Madeira and Emanuel Fernandes on public access to the identity and other personal data of individuals sentenced for paedophile criminal acts

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Written declaration on public access to the identity and other personal data of individuals sentenced for paedophile criminal acts

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 116 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas crimes of rape or sexual abuse perpetrated against minors are inhumane and unspeakable acts, which have been becoming more and more widespread in our societies,
- B. whereas such acts, independently of their status under criminal law, violate the Universal Declaration of the Rights of the Child and the International Convention on the Rights of the Child,
- C. whereas in all the countries of the EU there is legislation laying down that paedophilia is a criminal offence,
- D. whereas the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the principles upheld by the Community institutions repudiate the practice of such acts,
- 1. Invites the Institutions of the European Union to approach the Member States with a view to establishing, at national level, an Internet page where citizens can have access to the identity and other personal data of all those sentenced for paedophile criminal acts;
- 2. Urges the Member States to share this information with each other so as to prevent or at least minimise the internationalisation of this type of criminal behaviour;
- 3. Instructs its President to forward this declaration, with the names of the signatories, to the Council, Commission and Member States.

