Amendment 1
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Report
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Prison systems and conditions
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Motion for a resolution (Rule 170(3) of the Rules of Procedure) replacing non-legislative motion for a resolution A8-0251/2017

European Parliament resolution on prison systems and conditions

The European Parliament,
– having regard to Rule 52 of its Rules of Procedure,
A. whereas prison conditions and management are responsibilities of the Member States;
B. whereas the situation in the prisons of certain Member States is a cause for concern because it threatens the ‘certainty of legal punishment’;
1. Stresses that control of external and internal borders is imperative to prevent criminals from entering Member States and is an effective means of preventing overcrowding in some Member States’ prisons;
2. Welcomes any initiative taken at national level in striving to combat the growing phenomenon of radicalisation in prisons and hand down exemplary sentences to those responsible for or involved in terrorist acts;
3. Welcomes any initiative taken at national level with the aim of entering into bilateral agreements with third countries with a view to allowing foreign prisoners to serve their sentences in their countries of origin;
4. Rejects any efforts made by the Commission in the field of prison systems, as these fall fully within the competence of the Member States;
5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the governments and parliaments of the Member States, the Council of Europe, the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, the Human Rights Commissioner of the Council of Europe, and the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture.

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