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Tabled pursuant to Rule 50

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on behalf of the EPP-ED Group.


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On: the rights of the parliamentary opposition in Moldova

A. Whereas the demand by the General Prosecutor of Moldova to take under arrest three Members of the Moldovan Parliament, who participated in the ongoing peaceful manifestations against the Moldovan authorities.

B. Having regard to the provisions of the Partnership and Co-operation Agreement which entered into force on 1 July 1998 and the conclusions of the subsequent meetings of the EU-Moldova Parliamentary Cooperation Committee.

C. Having regard to the Convention of Human rights

1. Regards with growing concern the persistent conflict on crucial principles and matters of democracy between the Moldovan government and the Christian Democratic People's Party of Moldova.

2. Welcomes the fact that the demands by the parliamentary opposition are being advocated in an open and peaceful way.

3. Strongly questions the actual Moldovan government practices against the parliamentary opposition in the field of freedom of expression, the freedom of the press, the freedom of religion and the rights opposition parties within a democracy.

4. Urges the Moldovan government to meet the demands by the parliamentary opposition in Moldova within the frame of the provisions of the Partnership and Co-operation Agreement between the European Union and Moldova.

5. Has submitted the matter of the democratic rights of the opposition in Moldova to the next meeting of the EU-Moldova Parliamentary Cooperation Committee on 3-4 July 2002 in Strasbourg.

5. Instructs Parliament's President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission and the President of the Republic of Moldova.

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