

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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on **Zimbabwe**

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The European Parliament

having regard to its previous resolutions of 13 April 2000, 18 May 2000, 6 July 2000, 15 March 2001, 6 September 2001, 13 December 2001, 14 March 2002, 15 May 2002 and 3 July 2002 on the situation in Zimbabwe,

- A. whereas the EU Council Common Position of 18 February 2002 and the measures introduced by Member States to prevent entry into their territories of high ranking Zimbabwean officials responsibilities not enforced by them ;
 - B. whereas the food crisis is obviously used as a political weapon by Mugabe's regime and has been seriously exacerbated by its actions, most notably the recent enforcement of the deadline for thousands of white farmers served with acquisition notices to leave their land under the provisions of the amended Land Acquisition Act ;
 - C. whereas the use of violence and destruction against white farmers are undoubtedly illustrating a racist policy from the Zimbabwean regime which can only lead to condemnation from the international community ;
 - D. whereas the attendance of Robert Mugabe the UN Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg gives President Mbeki of South Africa an opportunity to improve his leadership in helping bring about urgent change for recovering a safe and peaceful situation in Zimbabwe ;
- 1. Insists that the EU measures against the Mugabe regime be rigorously enforced, without exceptions ;
 - 2. Calls on the Council to report to the European Parliament at the earliest opportunity on the results of its missions to the southern Africa region, and on the measures that it proposes to take in order to make EU action against the Mugabe regime more effective as long as its policy will include violent and racist behaviour against white farmers, and generally, all kind of opposition seeking to contest peacefully its authoritarian governance ;
 - 3. Strongly condemns the regime's use of food supplies as a political weapon and asks the zimbabwean government to stop immediately any kind of violence against farmers and the opposition's responsables ;
 - 4. Calls on President Mbeki to take the initiative in bringing pressure, at the regional level, to bear on Zimbabwe, and to demand the total respect of right, human rights, and freedom of

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expression in Zimbabwe to commit Mugabe to restaure democracy as soon as possible, before strongest sanctions ;

5. Calls on Southern African Development Community (SADC) Chairperson, Malawi President Bakili Muluzi, in furtherance of the Organization's own guiding principles, if no positive step is made soon, to take strong action against Zimbabwe and introduce regional targeted sanctions ;
6. Instructs its Co-Presidents to forward this resolution to ...

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