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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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on promoting the right to mother-tongue education for members of the
Romanian minority in Ukraine

Motion for a European Parliament resolution on promoting the right to mother-tongue education for members of the Romanian minority in Ukraine

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission communication of 3 December 2008 on the Eastern partnership (COM(2008) 823), to the European neighbourhood policy and to the EU's active role in prompting human rights in the world,
 - having regard to the European aspirations of Ukraine and recognising its authority and sovereignty,
 - having regard to Rule 113 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas Ukraine has a Romanian-speaking minority numbering, according to official Ukraine government data, over 410 000 (those registered as Romanians or Moldovans in the 2001 census),
- B. whereas the Romanian minority in Ukraine form a traditional national community with deep historical roots, living in harmony with both the majority and other minorities, especially in the regions of Cernăuți (northern Bukovina, northern Bessarabia and the Herta area) and Odessa (southern Bessarabia) and in the trans-Carpathian region (the historic Maramureș),
1. Recommends to Ukraine that departments should be set up at the state University of Cernăuți to ensure mother-tongue teaching of all existing subjects and specialisations in Romanian,
 2. Recommends to Ukraine that departments should be set up at the secondary and technical schools in the towns of the above-named regions to ensure mother-tongue teaching in Romanian,
 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and Council and to the Government and Parliament of Ukraine.