



Plenary sitting

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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on the need to commemorate Professor Khaled Al Asaad, who was barbarously murdered by ISIS militants

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the need to commemorate Professor Khaled Al Asaad, who was barbarously murdered by ISIS militants

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas, on 18 August 2015, Professor Khaled Al Asaad, the octogenarian director of the UNESCO world heritage archaeological site in Palmyra, was brutally murdered by ISIS militants;
- B. whereas there can be no words to describe this odious, cowardly and criminal act of atrocity against a defenceless academic;
- C. whereas murder of Professor Khaled Al Asaad is just the latest in a long list of crimes committed by this terrorist organisation, which, in addition to slaughtering innocent civilians, is seeking to obliterate the history of previous civilisations dating back thousands of years by blowing up archaeological sites;
- D. whereas fundamentalist obscurantism must never be allowed to prevail over the light of reason;
- 1. Calls on Parliament to commemorate Professor Khaled Al Asaad in a fitting manner.