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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 143 of the Rules of Procedure

on the implementation of measures to help Member States to research and combat the long-term effects of COVID-19

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the implementation of measures to help Member States to research and combat the long-term effects of COVID-19

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the long-term effects of COVID-19, known as ‘long COVID’, affect between 10% and 20% of those infected by the virus, and whereas the causes of these symptoms can vary;
- B. whereas given that the virus appeared only recently, there is not yet a precise definition of all of the possible long-term effects, which can persist for a year after initial infection and can cause considerable discomfort, such as shortness of breath, muscle or joint pain, and changes in blood pressure;
- C. whereas discussions and research on the topic are currently overlooked by the media and politicians;
- 1. Urges the Commission to help the Member States and their competent bodies to research, treat and prevent the symptoms;
- 2. Calls on the Commission to launch an information campaign on the long-term effects of COVID-19, with the aim of educating EU citizens on the symptoms of the virus and corresponding good practices.