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# **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 143 of the Rules of Procedure

on measures to improve EU legislation on the assessment of the risk of natural disasters

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**Motion for a European Parliament resolution on measures to improve EU legislation on the assessment of the risk of natural disasters**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas, according to a report published by the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR), over the last two decades, the amount of climate disasters has shot up and, in particular, major floods have more than doubled in number (from 1 389 to 3 254 cases in 20 years);
- B. whereas, according to a study by the Commission's Joint Research Centre, Member States' vulnerability to climate change is increasingly evident and severe;
- C. whereas Directive 2007/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2007 on the assessment and management of flood risks is now obsolete, as it does not take account of the impact of climate change, in particular, morphological changes in areas affected by flooding;
  1. Urges the Commission to take account of the increase in natural disasters in recent years and of the permanent changes they create in Member State territory;
  2. Calls on the Commission to update its natural disaster risk management and prevention plans with a view to enabling Member States, in the event of a natural disaster, to take prompt and effective action in response.