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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

with request for inclusion in the agenda for a debate on cases of breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law

pursuant to Rule 144 of the Rules of Procedure

on the Georgian citizens Tamaz Ginturi killed and Levan Dotiashvili abducted by the Russian occupation forces in the occupied Tskhinvali region of Georgia. (2023/2981(RSP))

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The European Parliament,

- having regard to the UN Convention on the HR of 10 December 1948,
- having regard to its previous resolutions on Russia and Georgia;
- having regard to Rule 144 of its Rules of Procedure,

A. whereas on 6 November, on the eve of the presentation of the enlargement package by the European Commission, Russian occupying forces killed a peaceful civilian, Georgian citizen Tamaz Ginturi, and abducted another one, Levan Dotiashvili in the Kirbali village in the vicinity of the occupation line; whereas the Russian occupation forces have been obstructing locals from visiting the St. George of Lomisi Church and cemetery;

B. whereas the killing is another case in the long-running practice of illegal arrests and kidnappings by the Russian Federation in the occupied regions of Georgia;

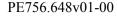
C. whereas Russia completely isolates the occupied regions from the rest of Georgia and international community and creates barriers that hinder their effective access, making it impossible for UN and EUMM missions to carry out their mandates in full;

whereas Russia's occupiers still exercise impunity for the brutal murder of Georgian IDPs, including Archil Tatunashvili, Giga Otkhozoria and Davit Basharuli, as well as the death of Irakli Kvaratskhelia;

D. whereas in 2018 the Government of Georgia adopted the "Otkhozoria-Tatunashvili List", comprised of the individuals accused and convicted of grave human rights violations, including murder, abduction, torture and inhumane treatment, serious health injury of citizens of Georgia in the occupied regions;

E. whereas Russia continues with its policy of borderization, conducting illegal military exercises, restriction of freedom of movement and ethnic discrimination of Georgians living in the occupied territories;

- 1. Strongly condemns the murder of Tamaz Ginturi and the illegal abduction of Levan Dotiashvili;
- 2. Stresses that those responsible for the murder of Ginturi and abduction of Dotiashvili, including those in the highest military and political echelons of Russia and the





- Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation, must be held criminally accountable and brought to justice;
- 3. Reiterates its steadfast support for Georgia's sovereignty and territorial integrity within its internationally recognised borders; strongly condemns the illegal occupation of the Georgian regions of Abkhazia and Tskhinvali/South Ossetia by the Russian Federation and the continued illegal 'borderisation' activities in those regions and urges the Russian Federation to fully implement the EU-mediated 12 August 2008 Ceasefire Agreement and unconditionally withdraw all occupational forces;
- 4. Calls on the Council to review the <u>Otkhozoria-Tatunashvil</u>i List and impose targeted sanctions on individuals listed there and to support adoption of similar measures by other like-minded partners;
- 5. Underlines that any provocations by Russia, aimed at undermining sovereignty or territorial integrity must not influence Georgia's Euro-Atlantic integration;
- 6. Supports the work and role of the EUMM and calls on the EU institutions to ensure continued adequate funding and support;
- 7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the UNHRC, CRC, the Council, the Commission, the Member States, the CoE, the OSCE, the President, Government and Parliament of Georgia and the President, Government and Parliament of the Russian Federation.

