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WRITTEN DECLARATION

pursuant to Rule 116 of the Rules of Procedure

by Wojciech Roszkowski

on the attempts to rehabilitate Joseph Stalin

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Written declaration on the attempts to rehabilitate Joseph Stalin

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 116 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. having regard to Joseph Stalin's perennial criminal activities, crimes committed on his direct orders against Russian citizens, citizens of countries forming part of the Soviet Union and citizens of neighbouring countries,
- B. whereas the number of victims of the Stalinist regime is estimated at 30 million during the period running from 1923 to 1953,
- C. having regard to the initiatives in some parts of the Russian Federation aimed at rehabilitating or even glorifying Stalin, one of the greatest criminals in history,
- D. having regard to the Russian Federation authorities' lack of interest in combating the renascent 'Stalin cult',
 1. Calls on the Commission to issue an unequivocal and clear statement on the actions and character of Joseph Stalin,
 2. Instructs its President to demand that the authorities of the Russian Federation prohibit the glorification of Stalin and his actions on the territories coming under its authority;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this declaration, together with the names of the signatories, to the authorities of the Russian Federation,