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## WRITTEN DECLARATION

pursuant to Rule 116 of the Rules of Procedure

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on conflict diamonds and the Kimberley Process

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**Written declaration on conflict diamonds and the Kimberley Process**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rule 116 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas during 2007 the European Union (EU), represented by the European Commission, holds the chairmanship of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme (KPCS), which is designed to eradicate the global trade in conflict diamonds,
  1. Calls on the Commission to work to ensure an increase in the level of transparency of diamond companies' sourcing policies;
  2. Calls on the Commission to use its chairmanship to enhance the mechanisms and systems for ensuring industry compliance with the KPCS;
  3. Calls on the Commission to ensure the provision of adequate financing to ensure the full implementation of the KPCS;
  4. Calls on the Commission and the Council to work with their international partners to improve the accuracy of statistics on the rough diamond trade and to ensure the timely analysis of such statistics in order to better detect any trade in conflict diamonds;
  5. Calls on the Commission and the Council to take appropriate measures to ensure that conflict diamonds do not enter the European market;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this declaration, together with the names of the signatories, to the Council, the Commission and the Member States.