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on the total destruction of a Christian cemetery on the EU's eastern border

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Written declaration on the total destruction of a Christian cemetery on the EU's eastern border

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 116 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas certain paramilitary groups of a terrorist and xenophobic tendency from the left bank of the Dniester (which is an integral part of Moldova) have totally destroyed and wrecked a cemetery adjoining the town of Tighina, holding the graves of 365 Romanian, German and Swedish heroes who fell in battle in the First and Second World Wars and established after the First World War by Romania's Queen Maria Foundation and the War Heroes' Memorial Association,
- B. whereas, on this site which should be sacrosanct, a platform has been constructed on which a monument is to be built to 'the Soviet soldier, our liberator',
- C. whereas this is an act of vandalism, of a Stalinist nature, in the face of which the Moldovan, Romanian and Ukrainian authorities have failed to act in any way whatever,
 1. Considers that these acts are a totally unacceptable attack on human values, respect for one's forebears, history, human dignity and culture, as well as seriously damaging security on the Union's eastern frontier, an area where, besides, Russian troops are stationed;
 2. Calls on the Commission and Council to condemn these actions forcibly and ask Moldova to restore the status quo ante forthwith;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this declaration, together with the names of the signatories, to the Council and Commission.