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on the activities of extremist paramilitary groups in the European Union

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**Written declaration on the activities of extremist paramilitary groups in the European Union**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rule 116 of its Rules of Procedure,
  - A. whereas the activities of extremist paramilitary groups – including Bloed, Bodem, Eer en Troef (Belgium), Combat 18 (UK), Danmarks Nationalsocialistiske Bevaegelse (Denmark), Hrisi Avgi (Greece), Magyar Gárda (Hungary), Noua Dreapta (Romania), Движение 'Гвардия' (Guard Movement, Bulgaria), Slovenská Pospolitost (Slovakia) and Svenska Motståndsrörelsen (Sweden) – operating in several Member States of the European Union raise concerns and fears both in their respective countries of origin and in the surrounding states,
  - B. whereas some of these organisations are legally registered, while others are formally banned but repeatedly regroup under different denominations or de facto continue their activities,
  - C. whereas the objective of these organisations is to incite hatred and violence, targeting neighbouring countries and ethnic, national or religious minorities as well as political opponents in their own country,
  - D. whereas extremist nationalism must be countered by all available means, and whereas all political parties, NGOs and Churches and religious communities must therefore stand united against such groups and their activities,
1. Calls on all competent bodies in all Member States and at European level (with special reference to the Fundamental Rights Agency) closely to monitor the activities of extremist paramilitary groups;
  2. Calls on all European and national political parties to condemn and renounce all such organisations, their ideology and activities in a clear and unequivocal way;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this declaration, together with the names of the signatories, to the parliaments and governments of the Member States and to the Council.