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pursuant to Rule 116 of the Rules of Procedure

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on the need for the Lisbon Reform Treaty to be ratified by means of a referendum

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Written declaration on the need for the Lisbon Reform Treaty to be ratified by means of a referendum

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 116 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. having regard to the outcome of the Intergovernmental Conference's proceedings - its task being to draw up the Lisbon Reform Treaty which is to replace the EU Treaty and the Treaty establishing the European Community,
- B. having regard to the conclusions reached at the meeting of Heads of State or Government which was held under the Portuguese Council Presidency in Lisbon on 18 and 19 October 2007 and which has resulted in fundamental changes to the above treaties,
- C. whereas the proposed Treaty on the European Constitution was rejected in referendums held in France and the Netherlands in 2005,
- D. whereas the Lisbon Reform Treaty influences the lives of EU citizens,
 1. Considers that communication is essential in matters of a fundamental nature and that such matters must be settled by direct democratic means;
 2. Calls upon the Member States to ratify the Lisbon Reform Treaty by holding referendums;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this declaration, together with the names of the signatories, to the Member States' parliaments and governments and to the Council.