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## WRITTEN DECLARATION

pursuant to Rule 123 of the Rules of Procedure on the publication of the results of EU opinion polls

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## Written declaration on the publication of the results of EU opinion polls

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 123 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas for years a gulf has existed between the EU establishment or the organisations of the European Union and European citizens,
- B. whereas, despite image and information campaigns costing millions of euros, this gulf has not narrowed, but has continued to open up,
- C. whereas a costly Eurobarometer opinion poll on the population's response to the euro was conducted, the mainly negative results of which were kept quiet, and subsequently, instead of mitigating the effects, the common currency continued to be talked up, further increasing the population's frustration with the EU,
- 1. Takes the view that, in order to meet the requirements of a modern democracy, an open door politics and a politics of acceptance of the will of citizens is needed;
- 2. Calls for negative opinion poll results also to be published;
- 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.

