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WRITTEN DECLARATION

pursuant to Rule 123 of the Rules of Procedure
on civilian invalids of war

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Written declaration on civilian invalids of war

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Stockholm Programme adopted by the European Council in December 2009,
 - having regard to Rule 123 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the European Union has long been a promoter of international peace and of prevention of landmine use,
- B. whereas civilian invalids of war, victims of land mines and other leftover weaponry and victims of terrorism in the Member States and in candidate countries face ongoing health and socio-economic difficulties which need to be addressed in a comprehensive, coordinated manner,
1. Considers that Europe should set an example for the rest of the world by recognising and addressing the long-term needs of the victims of terrorist attacks and of civilian invalids of war and giving them a special status;
 2. Calls on the Commission to take appropriate steps to ensure that the ongoing medical and societal needs of civilian invalids of war and victims of terrorism are met without discrimination in the EU, with the aim of helping such persons to lead a dignified life in their own environment;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this declaration, together with the names of the signatories, to the Council and Commission and to the parliaments of the Member States.