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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

with request for inclusion in the agenda for the debate on cases of breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law

pursuant to Rule 115 of the Rules of Procedure

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on behalf of the ADLE Group

on support for the extradition of former President Alberto Fujimori to Peru

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European Parliament resolution on support for the extradition of former President Alberto Fujimori to Peru

The European Parliament,

- having regard to previous EU Annual Reports on Human Rights,
- having regard to its previous resolutions in support of Peru's democratic process,
- having regard to the report issued by the Truth and Reconciliation Committee, chaired by Professor Salomon Lerner Febres, on the terrible events in Peru between 1980 and 2000,
- having regard to Article 115(5) of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas former President Alberto Fujimori was arrested in Chile on the basis of the international arrest warrant issued against him by the Peruvian authorities,
- B. whereas Mr Fujimori ruled Peru between 1990 and 2000 and faces some 22 charges in Peru for human rights abuses and corruption and, additionally, Congress and the Electoral Board have barred him from running for office until 2011,
- C. whereas the European Parliament has given its unreserved support for Peru's democratic process since the fall of Mr Fujimori's regime in 2000,
- D. whereas the issue of the extradition of former President Fujimori involves two countries with which the Union maintains strong and privileged partnerships in the framework of the bi-regional strategic association first decided in Rio de Janeiro in July 1999,
- E. whereas a bilateral extradition treaty exists between Chile and Peru since 1936,
- F. whereas the Chilean judicial authorities have decided to initiate the procedure for the extradition of former president Fujimori to Peru,
- 1. Congratulates the Chilean and Peruvian authorities for their effective cooperation in their detention of Mr Fujimori and welcomes the Chilean authorities' decision to formally initiate the procedure for his extradition;
- 2. Reiterates that the fight against impunity is the cornerstone of the Union's policy in the field of human rights; is of the view that it is the primary duty of all the partners to work together towards respect for democracy and human rights;
- 3. Recalls that the creation of an effective and unambiguous international jurisdiction is of the utmost importance;
- 4. Supports, therefore, the extradition of Mr Fujimori to Peru once the extradition has been formally requested, in order that Mr Fujimori can appear in court to face the charges of



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which he is accused; expresses total confidence in the Chilean judicial system and recommends this extradition to be in full respect of its procedures and applicable legislation;

5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the government of Chile and the government of Peru.