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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party
(Christian Democratic Group)

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the introduction of a signature stamp with an
accompanying declaration

PE 86.985

The European Parliament,

A - whereas persons not having the use of their hands may encounter problems in their own country and abroad if they produce an unsigned Dutch passport,

whereas the translation into two languages of the now standard Dutch text: 'Holder unable to append signature', or words to that effect, does not guarantee an adequate solution to this problem,

B - whereas, in this specific case and in a more general context, a solution could be found by introducing a signature stamp with the accompanying declaration that the holder does not have the use of his/her hands and is therefore entitled to use it,

whereas the abovementioned signature stamp and accompanying declaration ought to be valid throughout Europe for persons not having the use of their hands,

Resolves,

to request the President of the European Parliament to call on the members of national parliaments to accept the validity of a signature stamp with an accompanying declaration in cases where a signature is required from persons who do not have the use of their hands.