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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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6 July 2019

EUROPEAN RESOLUTION

*on Action by French authorities
to promote the **Attractiveness of Strasbourg** as a **European seat**.*

Is considered as final, pursuant to Article 151-7 of the Rules of Procedure, the resolution which reads as follows:

See numbers: **2036** and **2061**.

Single Article

The National Assembly,

Having regard to Article 88-4 of the Constitution,

Having regard to Article 341 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and Article 189 of the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community,

Having regard to Protocole N°6 on the location of the seats of the institutions and of certain bodies, offices, agencies and departments of the European Union,

Having regard to the conclusions of the European Council Presidency, which met in Edinburgh on 11 and 12 December 1992, on the subsidiarity principle and the Community institutions,

Considering that the European Parliament has its seat in Strasbourg, where the twelve periods of monthly plenary sessions are held;

Considering that this was decided by all the Member States within the European Council;

Considering that, as regularly recalled by the Court of Justice of the European Union, the sessions held in Strasbourg represent a fundamental moment in the democratic life of the European Union;

Considering that, since the founding of the European Coal and Steel Community by the Treaty of Paris in 1951, members of the European Parliament have been meeting in Strasbourg;

1. Welcomes the polycentric organisation of the European Union, through the geographical distribution of the seats of executive, legislative and judicial powers between the founding Member States, as well as by a wide variety of Member States hosting the European Union agencies;

2. Is honoured that France, a founding State of the European Union, hosts on its territory the seat of the European Parliament, heartbeat of European democracy;

3. Is pleased that Strasbourg, which also hosts the Council of Europe, a symbol democracy and human rights, is the parliamentary capital of

Europe, through the numerous diplomatic representations and opportunities for synergy between the institutions and their representatives;

4. Welcomes the efforts of the French authorities, especially since the election of members of the European Parliament by universal suffrage in 1979, with the three-year contract scheme which brings together actions by State and local authorities to enable Strasbourg to fully play its role as a European capital;

5. Encourages national and local public authorities to proactively involve the international institutions with their seat in Strasbourg in discussions and actions relating to accessibility, working, housing and living conditions of the parliamentarians, diplomats and staff concerned;

6. Calls on the signatories of the three-year contract to promote structural investments, manage their implementation and assess their effectiveness in order to strengthen the attractiveness of Strasbourg;

7. Believes that Strasbourg, which symbolises Franco-German reconciliation, is destined to host certain meetings of the bodies mentioned in the Treaty on Franco-German Cooperation and Integration signed in Aachen on 22 January 2019 and in the Franco-German Parliamentary Assembly agreement signed in Paris on 25 March 2019, as well as of the future bodies established jointly by the French and German authorities;

8. Invites the government to promote the status of Strasbourg as a European capital in order to organise governmental meetings at the European and international level;

9. Is pleased that the full availability and concentration of participants at the European Parliament sessions in Strasbourg enable them to work together efficiently;

10. Encourages, therefore, the government to act decisively to enhance the parliamentary work performed at the seat of the European Parliament in Strasbourg.

Paris, 6 July 2019.

President,
Signed: RICHARD FERRAND

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