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WRITTEN DECLARATION

pursuant to Rule 123 of the Rules of Procedure

on support for the Global Zero Action Plan for the phased and verified elimination of all nuclear weapons worldwide

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Written declaration on support for the Global Zero Action Plan for the phased and verified elimination of all nuclear weapons worldwide

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 123 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas nuclear weapons present unacceptable financial costs and security risks, including proliferation and nuclear terrorism;
- B. whereas there is significant public and political support for the Global Zero Action Plan, a comprehensive policy framework for the phased and verified elimination of all nuclear weapons worldwide by 2030;
- C. whereas the next step in that plan is the reduction of US and Russian arsenals to a total of 1 000 nuclear weapons each and the removal of both countries' tactical nuclear weapons from the European continent, thereby paving the way for multilateral nuclear arms negotiations on the phased elimination of all nuclear weapons worldwide, a comprehensive verification and enforcement regime and strengthened safeguards for the nuclear fuel cycle;
 1. Calls on the Member States to support and take steps to advance the Global Zero Action Plan;
 2. Encourages the US and Russian Governments to reduce their arsenals to a total of 1 000 nuclear weapons each and to remove their tactical nuclear weapons from the European continent;
 3. Calls on all nuclear weapons countries to participate in multilateral negotiations on the phased and verified elimination of all nuclear weapons worldwide and the establishment of a verification system that includes intrusive, unrestricted inspections;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this declaration, together with the names of the signatories, to the Council, the Commission and the governments and parliaments of the Member States and to the United States, Russia and all nuclear weapons countries.