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Russian racial discrimination of Crimean Tatars in Crimea

Motion for a resolution

tabled by Ms Kerstin LUNDGREN and other members of the Assembly

This motion has not been discussed in the Assembly and commits only those who have signed it

Since Russia annexed Crimea in the spring of 2014, the Ukrainian State as well as international organisations regularly report on the deterioration of the human rights of the Crimean Tatar people in the peninsula. Persecutions, disappearances, searches, detentions, banning of the Mejlis of the Crimean Tatar people and other harmful actions against them indicate the violation of the United Nations Racial Discrimination Convention.

Numerous Parliamentary Assembly resolutions calling Russia to refrain from discrimination against the population of the Crimean peninsula, to cease political and cultural suppression against the Crimean Tatar and Ukrainian people, to suspend the decree banning the Mejlis of the Crimean Tatar people, to take all necessary steps to halt the disappearance of Crimean Tatars and to promptly investigate those disappearances that have already occurred are ignored.

Further deterioration on the Peninsula may lead to the erasure of the distinct cultural identities of the Crimean Tatar people.

The Assembly finds it necessary to draw up a comprehensive report on the matter and propose recommendations in this regard.

Signed (see overleaf)



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