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Detention of non-binary anti-fascist activist Maja T. as a symptom of rule of law erosion in Hungary

Written declaration No. 816

This written declaration does not reflect the position of the Assembly; only of those members that have signed it. It will not be considered further by the Assembly.

We, the undersigned, declare the following:

We express our deep concern over the ongoing detention of German anti-fascist activist Maja T. in Hungary.

Maja has been held in prolonged pre-trial detention under degrading conditions in violation of Articles 3 and 6 of the European Convention on Human Rights (ETS No. 5). These include limited access to legal counsel, isolation, and inadequate prison conditions.

Maja's case highlights broader concerns about the rule of law in Hungary, including increasing political influence over the judiciary and criminalisation of anti-fascist activism.

We call on the Hungarian authorities to ensure full compliance with human rights standards, including Maja's immediate release pending trial.

We also urge the Parliamentary Assembly to address systemic rule of law deficiencies in Hungary.

We therefore:

– demand that Maja's detention conditions fully comply with the European Convention on Human Rights;

– urge for her immediate release pending trial, in line with the principle of proportionality in pre-trial detention;

– condemn the March 2025 constitutional amendment banning public LGBTIQ+ events and restricting the freedom of assembly under the pretext of child protection;

– request the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights to monitor this case and report on detention conditions in Hungary;

– invite the Assembly and its committees to address rule of law backsliding in Hungary, and its impact on civil society and freedoms.

Signed (see overleaf)

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