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| Motion number | 17 |
| Name of the person introducing the Motion to the GA | |
| Member party | Femu a Corsica and Esquerra Republicana |
| Title [of the Motion] | DEMOC [DEMocratic European Mechanism Of Clarity] |

This initiative comes from nine MEPs grouped together in the "self-determination caucus": François ALFONSI [Corsica - Greens/EFA], Parnendo BARRENA [Euskadi - The Left], Izaskun BILBAO [Euskadi - Renew], Toni COMIN [Catalunya - non-attached], Chris MAC MANUS [Ireland - The Left], Carla PONSATI [Catalunya - non-attached], Carles PUIGDEMONT [Catalunya - non-attached], Diana RIBA [Catalunya - Greens/EFA], Jordi SOLE [Catalunya - Greens/EFA].

It aims to "strengthen European democracy by recognising the right to self-determination for all peoples", by creating "an institutional tool to contribute to the resolution of conflicts of territorial sovereignty in the European Union through dialogue, mutual recognition and the search for compromise".

The proposal formulated by the Caucus calls for it to be "recognised that all territories which democratically commit to a new constitutional status, including the possibility of becoming an independent state, are not led to do so abruptly. At the same time, those who refuse such a process cannot prevent a debate from taking place and must admit the possibility of finding a political agreement".

Officially presented in the framework of the Conference on the Future of Europe, the self-determination caucus exposed that "many States wrongly approach these problems from conceptions dating from the 19th century" and that the European Union derives its "legitimacy from its ability to overcome internal conflicts through dialogue and democracy".

When the citizens' proposals were published on the official platform opened by the European Commission, ours appeared in the recommendations of the citizens' panel, but was censored by the representatives of the main European political forces.

The European Free Alliance:

- supports the approach undertaken by the Self-determination Caucus within the European Parliament;

- denounces the attitude of the main European political forces, subservient to the Member States, which caused this proposal to be withdrawn from the priorities of the Conference on the Future of Europe, whereas it was the second more supported by citizens on the official platform.

- will contribute to the substantive political work that will extend this approach: use of legal experts to consolidate its content, popularisation of this proposal across Europe via member parties, promotion during the next European elections.