

Motions

Motion number	8
Name of the person introducing the Motion to the GA	Anke Spoorendonk/Flemming Meyer
Member party	SSW, FNP
Title [of the Motion]	The EU must implement MSPI
<p>Although the European minority organization FUEN handed over more than 1.1 million signatures for the Minority Safe Pack Initiative (MSPI) to protect and promote the European minorities of the EU at the beginning of 2020 and the majority of the EU Parliament approves of this initiative, the EU Commission does not see itself as being responsible. A lawsuit by FUEN at the European Court of Justice has also been dismissed. FUEN will appeal. Nevertheless, it is important to keep up the political pressure on the EU Commission in this important issue for the European minorities.</p> <p>The European Free Alliance demands:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. that the EU Commission implements the Minority Safe Pack initiative. 2. That the EFA members of the EP continue to actively support the Minority safe Pack initiative. <p>Reason:</p> <p>FUEN's Minority SafePack initiative has received a lot of attention and encouragement throughout Europe. Nevertheless, on January 14, 2021, the European Commission decided to refrain from any measures to implement the MSPI.</p> <p>As a result, on March 24, 2021, the MSPI citizens' committee submitted an action for annulment of the relevant Commission decision to the European Court of Justice (Case T-158/21). As is known, the corresponding lawsuit was dismissed in the first instance judgment on November 9, 2022, to our great regret.</p> <p>The Federal Union of European Nationalities (FUEN) has announced that it has come to the legal opinion that the court's decision in the above case contains "a large number of errors of law". FUEN assumes that the right of the MSPI citizens' committee to a fair trial was violated, since the rapporteur and the competent chamber were changed without further justification shortly before the end of the procedure. Furthermore, according to FUEN, there was a violation of the principle of equal treatment, since the MSPI citizens' committee was not able to present and explain its concerns in the same way as other citizens' initiatives.</p>	

On this basis, among other things, the MSPI citizens' committee decided to appeal against the corresponding judgment.

Irrespective of legal proceedings, the political pressure on the EU Commission must be maintained so that it responds to the content and demands of the Minority Safe Pack Initiative for the European minorities. It is unacceptable that a European citizens' initiative with over 1 million signatures should not be heard in the EU.