

Motions

Motion number	21
Name of the person introducing the Motion to the GA	Zsolt Szilágyi
Member party	Erdélyi Magyar Szövetség
Title (of the Motion)	Verbal and physical violence against Hungarians in Transylvania, Romania

Text of the motion: (In English; Maximum 600 words)

Having regard to the fact that:

- -there are more and more Anti-Hungarian atrocities in Romania;
- hate speech against Hungarians occurs not only in football stadiums, where it happens regularly, but has moved out onto the streets, and in public life;
- state authorities are incapable or do not want to stop the phenomena;
- anti-Hungarian verbal violence recently turned into concrete aggression in Cluj-Napoca /Kolozsvár, where young Hungarians speaking their mother tongue on the street were attacked by a group of masked people. Several people were heavily injured. It seems that state authorities are trying to minimize the case;
- agression against Hungarians in the post-revolutionary period dates back to the March 1990 ethnic clash in Targu-Mures/ Marosvásárhely,
- verbal violence and hate speech has become regular even among the members of the political elite, and only some administrative minor fines were applied without any serious consequence;

We call:

- the Romanian Government to do the utmost to stop the phenomena and to punish the perpetrators. We ask the government to promote tolerance and mutual respect towards the autochthonous minorities in the country, especially the Hungarian community;
- the Romanian justice to investigate the cases and to apply the law in practice;
- the European Commission to strictly monitor the situation and to intervene if the Romanian authorities prove to be inefficient or ignorant;



- the press to follow and to cover the atrocities and not to support the dissemination of ethnic intolerance and hate speech messages.	

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