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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the establishment of a European juvenile delinquency monitoring centre

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its own resolution of 8 July 1992 on a European Charter on the rights of the child,
 - having regard to the European Convention on Human Rights,
 - having regard to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child,
 - having regard to the Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly's recommendation no. 1286 of 24 January 1996,
- A. whereas an individual's childhood and the particularities of his/her family and social environment significantly determine his/her subsequent adult life,
- B. whereas minors constitute one of the most vulnerable sectors of the population and have specific needs which must be carefully met,
- C. whereas on 28 May 2001 the European Crime Prevention Network (EUCPN) was set up, one of whose priority action areas is juvenile delinquency,
- D. whereas the prevention of youth crime has become a priority in the EU Member States' intervention policies,
1. Calls upon the relevant Community bodies to establish a European juvenile delinquency monitoring centre for the purpose of gathering, analysing and statistically monitoring data on juvenile delinquency, judicial measures and the programmes adopted in the various EU Member States;
 2. Calls on the members of the European Convention to effect the necessary changes in the course of simplifying and modernising the treaties.