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Statement of the Nagorno Karabakh Friendship Group in the European Parliament

Lachin Corridor cut by Azerbaijani army

The blockade against the Armenian people of Artzakh/Nagorno-Karabakh must be lifted!

The Lachin corridor is the only link between Nagorno-Karabakh, an Armenian territory enclosed in Azerbaijan, and neighboring Armenia. It is vital for the survival of the populations besieged by a powerful and bloodthirsty army which started a new war in October 2020, and which continues its aggression in spite of the cease-fire in force established under the aegis of Russia.

With new bombings, Baku dictator Ilham Aliyev has bombed this crossing point and many Armenians are now stranded on this high-altitude road as winter has set in.

In Stepanakert, the capital of Artzakh, supplies are cut off and the population will be exposed to rationing if nothing is done to ensure that the blockade is lifted as soon as possible.

The Friendship of Nagorno-Karabakh in the European Parliament condemns the violation of the ceasefire agreements by the Azeri army and demands the immediate lifting of the blockade of the Lachin corridor caused by the Azeri bombardment, despite the presence of the Russian peacekeeping forces.

It asks the European Union to make its voice heard in order to assure the Armenian people thus attacked of Europe's support. It is urgent: these aggressions are only preliminaries; the real project of the Azeri dictatorship is the ethnic cleansing of Artzakh.

Are we going to let a new crime against humanity be committed with impunity against the Armenian people, 110 years after the genocide?

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