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In the context of a «Cult(o)ural protest», young refugees currently living in Germany are visiting the European Parliament in Brussels.

Under the name of «Cult(o)ural Protest», the European campaign «SOS for Human Rights» is travelling to the European Parliament in Brussels from December 2nd to December 5th, 2012. The purpose of this journey is to claim the concrete application of human and children's rights, more precisely those of young refugees. The highlight of this tour in Brussels will consist of handing over the campaign appeal - along with the 5000 signatures - to Martin Schulz, President of The European Parliament. This will take place on December 4th, 2012 during a planned meeting with the latter. The «Cult(o)ural Protest» has been made possible with the support and engagement of European Deputy Ska Keller (Die Grünen – The Green Party), who insisted on inviting the «SOS for Human Rights» delegation.

This delegation will depart from its headquarters in Berlin with a group of young refugees as well as actors and educators from the GRIPS Theater Berlin.

The «SOS for the Human Rights» campaign is primarily committed to defending Refugees' Human Rights on external borders as well as within the EU. Initiated in 2010, «SOS for Human Rights» is led by a collective made up of the association of young refugees «Jugendliche ohne Grenzen» («JOG», Youth without borders), the GRIPS Theater Berlin, the council of refugees Flüchtlingsrat Berlin and Flüchtlingsrat Brandenburg, as well as the following organizations for the protection of refugees (Borderline Europe, PRO ASYL, WeGe ins Leben) and the union of teachers GEW. The campaign is characterized by an appeal written by Jugendliche ohne Grenzen. It presents the different claims of its young refugees for the respect of their human rights. Its particular nature lies also in the choice of its communication form. A theater play named «SOS for Human Rights» was thus created by the GRIPS Theater Berlin for the campaign and will reach Brussels for its 125th performance. With this journey, the «SOS for Human Rights» intends to carry its claims in high places and to provide the refugees (who is them?) with an international forum. They are notably asking for the immediate implementation of important measures such as :

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The «Cult(o)ural Protest» will be pursued after the journey to Brussels during the annual conference of the Jugendliche ohne Grenze from December 4th to December 7th, 2012 in Rostock-Warnemünde, a German province of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania. Presented under the motto «Yes to the right to stay ! The status of tolerance (Duldung) is an insult !», this conference, with critical regard to the immigration laws in Germany, will be held in parallel to the semi-annual conference of the Internal Affairs Ministers of German Länder. On this conference will be notably presented a gala evening intended to appoint the «expulsion German minister of 2012».

The original context of these events comprises in particular of the actual situation of children and refugees' rights in Europe and Germany. Regarding the United Nations children rights, the Federal Republic of Germany admittedly does not show any more reserve since May 2010. The concrete and complete implementation of those rights regardless of the children's origins in 2012 is far from effective. Young refugees living in Germany are the first to suffer daily consequences.

With its own methods and the use of the direct democracy, the movement supported by «SOS for Human Rights» shows that the German and European laws regarding immigrants and refugees are intolerable. In this context, «SOS for Human Rights» demands the immediate suspension of those laws.

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