

Motions

Motion number	2
Name of the person introducing the Motion to the GA	Flemming Meyer and Ruth Candussi
Member party	SSW and SP
Title [of the Motion]	EFA demands an EU report on the consequences of the COVID pandemic
<p>The General Assembly of the European Free Alliance (EFA) calls for the EU to publish a report examining the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic on the situation and rights of minorities and the border regions of Europe.</p> <p>Reasoning:</p> <p>In some EU countries, the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic has been misused to restrict the rights of minorities, for example Sinti and Roma. In addition, border controls were reintroduced in almost all border regions of the EU, contrary to the Schengen Agreement, or the border was even completely closed. This has happened despite there being evidence that it was not exclusively used to combat the pandemic, and has led to many disadvantages for those who live in border regions, including many minorities.</p> <p>The EU must examine these negative consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic in a report and urge the countries affected to change their behaviour.</p>	