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### **SCC demands the immediate and mandatory adhesion of authorities and institutions in order to redirect the social and political situation in Catalonia to democratic normality**

SCC strongly condemns the initiation of the process of adopting the motion proposed by the CUP, and supported by JXS, in the Parliament of Catalonia related to the secession process under the euphemism "an exceptional historical moment."

The motion is nothing more than a duplication of the 9th November 2015 resolution annulled by the Constitutional Court, urging the Government of the Generalitat to act outside the legal framework and deliberately disobey the courts of justice, achieving what the separatists refer to as the "disconnection of Catalonia from the rest of Spain." This reiteration is a clear violation of the Constitutional Court ruling of December 2, 2015.

Citizens have the right to expect that the authorities that govern us, and the institutions that represent us, act within the powers they enjoy and in accordance with the provisions established by the Constitution and other legislation. They cannot go beyond these competencies and certainly, cannot make express their intention of using the public power that has been granted them to destroy democracy and disregard the rule of law.

The motion deepens the exceptional situation we are living as Catalans in the face of regional institutions that have abandoned their duty of neutrality and are acting as administrators of a non-existent sovereign state. The attitude of explicit disloyalty and disobedience such as the one we are suffering must have political consequences. These consequences should lead to the unity of the Democrats and the explicit and forceful rejection of those who exercise a policy based on the use of institutions to stage a coup d'état.

Democrats not only have strength of unity, but the legal and constitutional mechanisms to necessary put an end to this anomalous situation. There is no doubt that the Government's conduct not only harms those Catalans who find ourselves deprived of our regional government, but are subjected to institutions that explicitly reject our constitutional framework, adversely affecting the overall interests of Spain. This detrimental goal, which can not be considered irrelevant by Spanish political actors and institutions, demands the immediate and mandatory adhesion of authorities and institutions in order to redirect the social and political situation in Catalonia to democratic normality.

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