STATEMENT

The new Act on the Constitutional Tribunal adopted by the Sejm on 22nd July 2016 paralyses its works. The Act betrays the principle of the separation of powers and paves the way for a dictatorship of the parliamentary majority which is not limited by the Constitution. This is an assault on constitutional democracy. We protest.

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