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To the members of the German Bundestag

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Demonstrations such as those in Stuttgart and Karlsruhe, and protests on various Internet sites such as:

- www.zivilekoalition.de,
- www.deutschland.net,
- www.germanclimateblog.com,
- <http://zukunft4deutschland.wordpress.com>,
- <http://www.aufwecken.info>,
- <http://wakeup-info.net>,
- www.mehr-demokratie.de,
- www.attac.de,
- www.occupydeutschland.de and also
- www.buendnis-buergerwille.de,

all show that the Germans hardly agree any longer to the introduction of the ESM, as is currently intended, and especially not if the consequences were known. This is also confirmed by a dimap survey (<http://www.stern.de/wirtschaft/news/jeder-zweite-deutsche-haelt-euro-einfuehrung-fuer-fehler-1828685.html>).

This decision, for which you as members of Parliament are responsible, abrogates the constitutionally enshrined, inviolable budgetary sovereignty of the Bundestag. The ESM Council can therefore demand European funds at any time and without restriction. For Germany this means: The German national budget will be determined by other powers than the representatives of the German people. You are therefore contributing to the abrogation of the principles of German democracy and the division of powers of the judiciary, executive and legislative bodies. The Council of the ESM will wield this power alone. Nor must it be forgotten that the German national budget has deteriorated into a pure debt budget (and this also by your majority votes) - a sure sign that that the supreme law

of a democratic parliament in the sense of positive budgetary control has been ignored. And now you intend to set the seal on this development with your consent to the ratification of the ESM.

Due to the circumstances that the introduction of Euro bonds – a transfer union has long since been in existence and would be emphasised even further by the ESM – and the resulting interest rate of currently 5.7 percent (trend rising) will only result in permanent debts in all budgets of the Euro countries, this will contribute further to the dissipation and loss of purchasing power for the people. For the German national budget for example, this solution would incur 3.3x the current debt interest expenditure (at € 37 billion at present this would be equivalent to € 122 billion annual interest). This is an increase in the debt interest burdening the federal budget of € 85 billion (annually), which corresponds to the total federal grant to German pension insurance. This fact is governed by the introduction of the (permanent) ESM by permanent rescue package payments and subsidiary liabilities in favour of supported countries for the funds they borrow, which can no longer be found by any Euro country – not even by Germany (German commitment to the ESM and EFSF = about € 250 billion), because this would result in immediate bankruptcy. But because the interest due from actually totally insolvent countries has to be paid directly by the supporting countries in the form of permanent ESM payments (interest is converted into statistically unrecorded rescue package payments), which for the most part are paid by the supported countries in interest, which would otherwise have to be paid by the supporting countries. In order to keep the Euro zone functioning, the long-existing German national bankruptcy is being delayed; the non-disclosure of the immense interest burden constitutes an unprecedented deception of the German people, and is in truth an unethical and immoral abuse of state power. Whether this ESM must or can be declared null and void at some point for this reason is questionable.

Remember that by agreeing to the permanent establishment of the ESM, all future governments will be bound only to the task of circumventing national bankruptcy, while you will still not be able to abolish the bankrupt situation of all the Euro countries; remember also that in order to pay for this facility, the citizens of the country will have to cough up their taxes and also accept cuts in pensions, retirement and social benefits such as Hartz IV, committing them to unprecedented debt slavery and driving them into poverty – on your responsibility and by undemocratic means.

Know this: The introduction of the ESM will subject Germany (and all other European countries) to the power of high finance; a power which is not democratically elected, and which stands above national law, and above democracy itself.

If you agree to the ESM, you render yourself guilty of violating the basic law of the Federal Republic of Germany! Regardless of whether you belong to the opposition or to the government, know this: This ESM will not permanently secure your jobs either, because a parliament which violates the

democratic principles of a country in this way should no longer represent the interests of the people it purports to represent. A controlling, direct, real democracy will in future no longer be able to make use of alleged representatives of the people who only vote according to their conscience in isolated cases, but especially when it comes to their own well-being and not that of the people as a whole. You alone have to take responsibility for the scepticism of most Germans of with regard to all previous rescue package measures (ESM)!

The Alliance for Democracy therefore demands: Do not put yourself above the Basic Law, the free democratic order of this country! Use the power of the office entrusted to you for a Europe that will not be impoverished and subjected to the arbitrariness of financial power for generations to come. Devote your efforts to creating a healthy economy, instead of a descent into feudal conditions. The future lies before us; the ESM threatens us with a return to the Middle Ages. This must not be allowed to happen!

We call on the sceptics in the ranks of Bundestag members: oppose this vote and stick to your decision!