Amendment 10

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Human Rights in the World 2009 and the EU's policy on the matter 2010/2202(INI))

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1a. Points out that economic and social rights have formed an integral part of human rights since the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948; considers that it is the task of the EU to help implement them in the least developed and developing countries with which it signs international agreements, including trade agreements;

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Amendment 11 Marie-Christine Vergiat, Ilda Figueiredo on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 35

Motion for a resolution

35. Welcomes the European Union's support for initiatives at the United Nations and in other international fora encouraging the decriminalisation of homosexuality; calls for the European Union's continued support in favour of initiatives condemning human rights breaches in relation to sexual orientation and gender identity in all international fora, in coordination with like-minded states;

Amendment

35. Welcomes the European Union's support for initiatives at the United Nations and in other international fora encouraging the decriminalisation of homosexuality; calls for the European Union's continued support in favour of initiatives condemning human rights breaches in relation to sexual orientation and gender identity in all international fora, in coordination with like-minded states; *points out that the* policy of most countries of the world, including those in the EU, discriminates against lesbians, homosexuals, bisexuals and transsexuals and transgenders and goes against human rights; calls therefore on the Member States and the EU to remedy matters and guarantee equal access to healthcare and treatment, including surgical treatment, for these individuals; calls on the EU and Member States to give particular attention, through their admissions policy for example, to third-country nationals who are the victims of discrimination because of their sexual orientation and gender;

Or. fr

Amendment 12 Marie-Christine Vergiat, Ilda Figueiredo on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 50

Motion for a resolution

50. Welcomes the special sessions of the

UNHRC on the human rights situation in

the east of the DRC, on the impact of the global economic and financial crises on the universal realisation and effective enjoyment of human rights, on the situation of human rights in Sri Lanka, and on the human rights situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territories and East Jerusalem; regrets that during the 12th session of the UNHRC on 16 October 2009 the EU Member States failed to come up with a single position with regard to the vote on the Goldstone report, with 4 Member States voting against, 2 abstaining and 2 being absent during the vote; calls on the Member States and all relevant EU institutions to achieve closer policy coordination in the HRC and other UN bodies; stresses that respect for international human rights law and international humanitarian law by all parties and under all circumstances is an essential prerequisite for achieving a just and lasting peace in the Middle East; urges all parties, therefore, to comply with the

UNGA resolutions adopted on 5 November

2009 and 26 February 2010 by conducting investigations that meet international

standards; calls on the HR/VP to ensure

that those who have committed violations

Amendment

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of international law be held accountable in accordance with the EU obligation under the Geneva Convention and the EU priority to combat against impunity;

to combat against impunity; calls once again on the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy/Vice-President of the Commission and on the Member States to ensure that the Goldstone Report's recommendations are effectively implemented, including those on the assignment of responsibilities for all violations of international law, including alleged war crimes;

Or. fr

Amendment 13
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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 115 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

115a. Notes that in Colombia human rights violations, affecting several categories of people, still go almost completely unpunished, which the EU should take into account before signing any free trade agreement with that country; strongly condemns the fact that the intelligence service (DAS) has undertaken systematic bugging and illegal actions intended to discredit senior judges, opposition MPs and human rights defenders, and the fact that these activities have also targeted MEPs; calls on the Union to apply the recommendations concerning Colombia made in the 2009 report of the Committee against Torture;

Or. fr

Amendment 14
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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 116 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

116a. Deplores the opening of negotiations with certain third countries, particularly regarding the intensification of partnerships between the European Union and the countries concerned, despite the situation with regard to democracy, the rule of law and human rights in these third countries (particularly Libya and Tunisia); regrets that the EU is not taking advantage of these privileged relations in the context of its various partnerships to bring its full weight to bear towards improving and strengthening human rights, the rule of law and democracy, as provided for in the democracy and human rights clauses contained in the association agreements between the EU and the third countries concerned;

Or fr

Amendment 15 Marie-Christine Vergiat on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 116 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

116b. Is surprised by the Commission's summary of the implementation of the European neighbourhood policy, even though it identifies shortcomings with regard to social policy, democracy and human rights; deplores the fact that the Union assigns priority to economic, diplomatic and political interests over promotion of and respect for human rights, the rule of law and democracy, despite the democracy and human rights clauses in the various agreements with third countries that are party to the European neighbourhood policy; is particularly concerned about the consequences of the EU's readmission agreements with some States, especially as regards the effectiveness of the right of asylum; stresses that these policies take no account of the fact that international migration mainly takes place between these States (developing and least developed countries) and that this migration will be accelerated and intensified by the impact of climate change;

Or. fr

Amendment 16 Marie-Christine Vergiat, Ilda Figueiredo on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 144 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

144a. Is concerned at the invasion of privacy and attacks on the protection of personal data in the context of the fight against terrorism, which have been condemned by a growing number of reports by NGOs, researchers and academics;

Or. fr

Amendment 17 Marie-Christine Vergiat on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 144 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

144b. Calls on the Commission to examine EU export regulations in the light of the scope for the transfer of technologies built according to European standards; condemns the export of such technologies by Member States, particularly to repressive regimes; asks the Commission to present a proposal for a regulation on a new licensing system;

Or. fr

Amendment 18 Marie-Christine Vergiat, Ilda Figueiredo on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 165 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

165a. Underlines and recalls the attachment of the EU and its Member States to the promotion of, and respect for, human rights, the rule of law and democracy at international level within the various international organisations and conferences; notes and deplores the discrepancy between the principles and values repeatedly enunciated by the EU in its numerous declarations and the actual level of commitment shown by the EU in terms of human rights and its policies in this area; points out in this respect that this approach is in many cases resulting in a policy of double standards and that persistent adherence to it by the EU and its Member States can only undermine the credibility of the EU regarding its commitment to human rights, the rule of law and democracy and, in the long term, result in the universality of human rights being called into question;

Or. fr

Amendment 19 Marie-Christine Vergiat, Ilda Figueiredo on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 169 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

169a. Recognises that the economic and financial crisis is having a considerable social impact on people within and beyond the European Union; notes that the various austerity plans adopted by the European Union and other international institutions, such as the International Monetary Fund, have often led to a worsening of the situation regarding social rights, a huge increase in unemployment and job insecurity, and a decline in living standards, particularly among the weakest and most vulnerable people in the countries concerned;

Or. fr

Amendment 20 Marie-Christine Vergiat, Ilda Figueiredo on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 169 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

169b. Points out that a significant number of individuals and cultural minorities do not have or no longer have access to certain resources because those resources are monopolised by companies or private entities benefiting from the support of the political authorities in the countries concerned; highlights the consequences of this situation in terms of food shortage owing to the expulsion of farmers, increase in food prices and restricted access to basic goods, such as water; calls, therefore, on the EU and the Member States to take the necessary measures to put an end to the monopolisation of resources, particularly land, by European undertakings and to put forward proposals in international and regional forums and conferences (the World Bank, WTO, Unctad, IMF, OECD, etc.) for recognising global public goods and including them in a specific UN convention;

Or. fr