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AMENDMENTS

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Draft report
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on the Annual Report on Human Rights and Democracy in the World 2014 and
the European Union's policy on the matter
(2015/2229(INI))

Amendment 256

Marie-Christine Vergiat, Pablo Iglesias, Javier Couso Permuy

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 53 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53d. Expresses concern at the measures proposed by the Commission on 9 September 2015 to address the external dimension of the refugee crisis; condemns the Commission proposal to strengthen the ‘safe country of origin’ provisions of the Asylum Procedures Directive by drawing up a common European list of safe countries of origin, and considers it particularly alarming that Turkey might be included on that list; points out that such a list could restrict the procedural rights of nationals of the countries in question; calls for every step to be taken to ensure that an approach along these lines does not undermine the principle of non-refoulement and the individual right of asylum, especially where people in vulnerable groups are concerned;

Or. fr

Amendment 257

Marie-Christine Vergiat, Pablo Iglesias, Javier Couso Permuy

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 53 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53e. Expresses disquiet at the proliferation of negotiations on the subject of readmission and return; calls for the suspension of all readmission agreements with countries that do not respect fundamental human rights; calls on the Member States to observe the international principle of non-

refoulement, not just in words, but also in deeds;

Or. fr

Amendment 258

Marie-Christine Vergiat, Pablo Iglesias, Javier Couso Permuy

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 53 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53f. Rejects any attempts to outsource EU migration policies, and accordingly condemns the proposals from Member States and the Commission to set up processing or detention centres in third countries; calls on the Commission and the Member States immediately to cease cooperation with third countries aimed at preventing migrants and refugees from getting to safety in Europe and at tightening up border controls; calls for a halt to negotiations on agreements that do not protect refugees or guarantee respect for fundamental rights in the manner called for by the Khartoum and Rabat processes;

Or. fr

Amendment 259

Marie-Christine Vergiat, Pablo Iglesias, Javier Couso Permuy

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 53 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53g. Points out that 17.5 million people were displaced in 2014 as a result of climate-related disasters; points out that these displacements chiefly affect regions in the South, which are most exposed to

climate change impacts; points out that 85% of these displacements occur in developing countries, primarily within one country or parts of countries; points out that as part of the Millennium Development Goals, the EU Member States have committed themselves to earmarking 0.7% of their GDP for development aid financing; deplores the fact that Member States are a long way from meeting their commitments and indeed some countries, for instance France, are revising them downwards;

Or. fr

Amendment 260
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53 h (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53h. Calls on the EU to increase its support to the fight against trafficking of human beings through external policies, with a particular focus on the protection of victims; strongly considers that the EU should strengthen cooperation with third countries in order to exchange good practices and contribute to dismantling international trafficking networks;

Or. en

Amendment 261
Barbara Lochbihler
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53 i (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53i. Calls on the EU to make the fight against trafficking in human beings (THB) a priority in its external policies, addressing both the demand and supply side of the phenomenon, including European consumers and European companies abroad, to pay particular focus on the protection of victims and to increase communication and cooperation with relevant actors in the fight against THB; reiterates the need for all EU Member States to implement the EU Directive (2011/36/EU) and the Strategy towards the Eradication of Trafficking in Human Beings 2012-2016;

Or. en

Amendment 262

Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 53 j (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53j. Maintains that it is absolutely essential to end the Russian aggression in Ukraine and bring about stability and respect for human rights;

Or. et

Amendment 263

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 53 k (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53k. Reiterates its call for an EU common position on the use of armed drones,

giving utmost importance to respect for human rights and international humanitarian law and addressing issues such as the legal framework, proportionality, accountability, the protection of civilians and transparency; urges the EU, once again, to ban the development, production and use of fully autonomous weapons which enable strikes to be carried out without human intervention;

Or. en

Amendment 264
Barbara Lochbihler
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53 l (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53l. Reiterates its call for the development of an EU common position on the use of armed drones, giving utmost importance to the respect for human rights and international humanitarian law and addressing issues such as the legal framework, proportionality, accountability, the protection of civilians and transparency; urges once again the EU to ban the development, production and use of fully autonomous weapons which enable strikes to be carried out without human intervention; calls on the EU to oppose and ban the practice of extrajudicial and targeted killings and to take legal measures wherever an individual or entity may be connected to an unlawful targeted killing abroad; insists that human rights are part of all dialogues with third countries on counter-terrorism;

Or. en

Amendment 265

Afzal Khan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 53 m (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53m. Reiterates its call from February 2014 to oppose the practice of extrajudicial targeted killings outside the framework of international law and to promote greater transparency and accountability in the use of armed drones with regard to the legal basis for their use; expresses in this regard its grave concern over the recently carried out British drone attack killing two British and one Belgian citizens extra judicially outside of the UK in Syria, where the UK is not at war, and even more so, over the UK Prime Minister's announced readiness to continue such operations without disclosing the legal framework, process for authorisation, factors considered or remit of the UK's new policy for use of armed drones and targeted killings; calls for the development of a policy response at both European and global level which upholds human rights and international humanitarian law and articulates the legal framework and application of the principles of proportionality, accountability, transparency, and the protection of civilians;

Or. en

Amendment 266

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Subheading (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

***International cultural and sports events
and human rights***

Or. en

**Amendment 267
Andi Cristea**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53 n (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53n. Emphasizes the necessity to have a worldwide campaign during international sports events to inform and educate the general public, and particularly sports men and women, sports fans and supporters, about the scale of the problem of forced prostitution and trafficking in human beings and, most importantly, to seek to curb demand by raising awareness among potential clients;

Or. en

**Amendment 268
Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53 o (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53o. Is seriously concerned that major sports events are increasingly being organised in countries where human rights and fundamental freedoms are seriously breached; considers, therefore, that the Commission should continue to raise this worrying development in international fora and take the necessary

steps to bring about a situation in which, in future, international sports organisations regard the human rights factor as a determining criterion in procedures for awarding major international sports events;

Or. nl

Amendment 269
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53 p (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53p. Denounces the increasing practice by authoritarian States of hosting mega sports or cultural events in order to boost their international legitimacy while further restricting domestic dissent; calls for the EU and its Member States to actively raise this issue, including at the UNHRC, and to engage with national sports federations, corporate actors and civil society organisations on the modalities of their participation in such events, including with regard to the first European Games in Baku in 2015 and the FIFA World Cup in Russia in 2018 and Qatar in 2022;

Or. en

Amendment 270
Barbara Lochbihler
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53 r (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53r. Denounces the increasing practice by

authoritarian states of hosting mega sports or cultural events in order to boost their international legitimacy whilst further restricting domestic dissent; calls on the EU and Member States to engage with national sports federations, corporate actors and civil society organizations on the modalities of their participation in such events, including with regards to the FIFA World Cup in Russia in 2018 and in Qatar in 2022, and the Olympic Games in Beijing in 2022; calls for the development of an EU policy framework on sports and human rights;

Or. en

Amendment 271
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Subheading

Motion for a resolution

Advancing human rights and democracy through multilateral organisations

Amendment

EU action in multilateral organisations

Or. en

Amendment 272

Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Caterina Chinnici, Sofia Ribeiro, Merja Kyllönen, Therese Comodini Cachia, Antonio López-Istúriz White, Jana Žitňanská, Marielle de Sarnez, Gérard Deprez, Jean Lambert, Kinga Gál, Silvia Costa, Damiano Zoffoli, Tomáš Zdechovský, Julie Ward, Nathalie Griesbeck

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 54

Motion for a resolution

54. Reiterates its full support for the EU's strong engagement in promoting the advancement of human rights and democratic principles through cooperation

Amendment

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with the structures of the United Nations and its specialised agencies, the Council of Europe, the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe and the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development, in line with Articles 21 and 220 TEU;

with the structures of the United Nations and its specialised agencies, the Council of Europe, the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe and the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development, in line with Articles 21 and 220 TEU; ***welcomes therefore the adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals;***

Or. en

Amendment 273

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 56

Motion for a resolution

56. Considers it regrettable that the now institutionalised practice of sending a parliamentary delegation to the UNGA *was not respected in 2014*; welcomes the renewal of the practice in 2015, at the 28th session of the UNHRC;

Amendment

56. *Recalls the importance of keeping* institutionalised practice of sending a parliamentary delegation to the UNGA; welcomes the renewal of the practice in 2015, at the 28th session of the UNHRC;

Or. en

Amendment 274

Ignazio Corrao

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 57

Motion for a resolution

57. Emphasises that in order to strengthen the credibility and legitimacy of the UNHRC, all its members must uphold the highest human rights standards and fulfil their human rights commitments;

Amendment

57. Emphasises that in order to strengthen the credibility and legitimacy of the UNHRC, all its members must uphold the highest human rights standards and fulfil their human rights commitments; ***considers that human rights must be promoted, developed and consolidated in all international fora; calls on the***

Commission to publicly report on the activities and actions it is carrying out to advance the human rights agenda and to reinforce the human rights accountability and liability of international organisations such as the WTO and the World Bank (BIRD, IFC, MIGA);

Or. en

Amendment 275

Barbara Lochbihler

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 58

Motion for a resolution

58. Reaffirms its strong support for the International Criminal Court (ICC) *in bringing justice to the victims of the most serious crimes of concern to the international community as a whole, such as genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes and crimes of aggression; considers it regrettable that no state ratified the Rome Statute in 2014;* expresses serious concern that several arrest warrants have still not been executed;

Amendment

58. Reaffirms its strong *commitment to ending impunity for the most serious crimes of concern to the international community and to provide justice for the victims of war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide and reiterates its support for the International Criminal Court (ICC); urges the EU and EU Members States to fully and effectively cooperate with the Court and to provide it with strong diplomatic and political support in bilateral relations and in all for a, including at the UN and take steps to prevent and respond effectively to instances of non-cooperation with the ICC;* expresses serious concern that several arrest warrants have still not been executed;

Or. en

Amendment 276

Cătălin Sorin Ivan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 58

Motion for a resolution

58. Reaffirms its strong support for the International Criminal Court (ICC) in bringing justice to the victims of the most serious crimes of concern to the international community as a whole, such as genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes and crimes of aggression; considers it regrettable that no state ratified the Rome Statute in 2014; expresses serious concern that several arrest warrants have still not been executed;

Amendment

58. Reaffirms its strong support for the International Criminal Court (ICC) in bringing justice to the victims of the most serious crimes of concern to the international community as a whole, such as genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes and crimes of aggression; considers it regrettable that no state ratified the Rome Statute in 2014; expresses serious concern that several arrest warrants have still not been executed ***hence recognizing a lack of transparency in the judicial systems of some third countries;***

Or. en

Amendment 277
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 58

Motion for a resolution

58. Reaffirms its strong support for the International Criminal Court (ICC) in bringing justice to the victims of the most serious crimes of concern to the international community as a whole, such as genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes and crimes of aggression; considers it regrettable that no state ratified the Rome Statute in 2014; expresses serious concern that several arrest warrants have still not been executed;

Amendment

58. Reaffirms its strong support for the International Criminal Court (ICC) in bringing justice to the victims of the most serious crimes of concern to the international community as a whole, such as genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes and crimes of aggression; considers it regrettable that no state ratified the Rome Statute in 2014; expresses serious concern that several arrest warrants have still not been executed, ***including those concerning the President of Sudan, Mr Omar Al Bashir; calls on the EU, member states' delegations and EU Special Representatives to actively promote the ICC, the enforcement of its decisions, and the fight against impunity for Rome Statute crimes;***

Or. en

Amendment 278

Marie-Christine Vergiat, Pablo Iglesias

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 58

Motion for a resolution

58. Reaffirms its strong support for the International Criminal Court (ICC) in bringing justice to the victims of the most serious crimes of concern to the international community as a whole, such as genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes and crimes of aggression; considers it regrettable that no state ratified the Rome Statute in 2014; expresses serious concern that several arrest warrants have still not been executed;

Amendment

58. Reaffirms its strong support for the International Criminal Court (ICC) in bringing justice to the victims of the most serious crimes of concern to the international community as a whole, such as genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes and crimes of aggression; considers it regrettable that no state ratified the Rome Statute in 2014; expresses serious concern that several arrest warrants have still not been executed ***and some senior political leaders have even managed to escape arrest because states parties have failed to act;***

Or. fr

Amendment 279

Barbara Lochbihler

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 58 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

58a. Reaffirms the importance of strengthening the universality of the Rome Statute and welcomes the ratification of the Rome Statute by Palestine this year; encourages the EU and EU member states to increase their efforts in promoting the ratification, effective implementation and integrity of the Rome Statute;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 280

Barbara Lochbihler

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 58 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

58b. Recalls that the ICC is complementary to national judicial systems and calls for the effective implementation of the 2013 EU toolkit on complementarity to strengthen EU assistance to help reinforce countries capacities in dealing with Rome Statute crimes;

Or. en

Amendment 281

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 58 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

58c. Requests the EU to continue its strong support in strengthening and expanding the relationship between the ICC and the UN, in particular in the UN Security Council;

Or. en

Amendment 282

Barbara Lochbihler

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 58 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

58d. Calls on EU Member States to provide the ICC with the resources needed, and to enhance the crucial support to and fostering of the international criminal justice system and the ICC via financial support to civil society actors through the European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR);

Or. en

Amendment 283
Cătălin Sorin Ivan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 59

Motion for a resolution

59. Calls on the EU and the Member States to actively promote the ICC and the **need for** the enforcement of its decisions in all type of dialogues with third countries;

Amendment

59. Calls on the EU and the Member States to actively promote the ICC and the **imperative regarding** the enforcement of its decisions in all type of dialogues with third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 284
Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 59

Motion for a resolution

59. Calls on the EU and the Member States to actively promote the ICC and the need for the enforcement of its decisions in all type of dialogues with third countries;

Amendment

59. Calls on the EU and the Member States to actively promote the ICC and the need for the enforcement of its decisions in all type of dialogues with third countries **and in multilateral fora**;

Amendment 285

Ignazio Corrao

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 59

Motion for a resolution

59. Calls on the EU and the Member States to actively promote the ICC and the need for the enforcement of its decisions in all type of dialogues with third countries;

Amendment

59. Calls on the EU and the Member States to actively promote the ICC and ***to encourage further ratification and implementation of the ICC statute, strengthened cooperation by states parties with the ICC and*** the need for the enforcement of its decisions in all type of dialogues with third countries; ***invites states to enter into voluntary cooperation agreements with the ICC regarding issues such as witness relocation and acquittal agreements;***

Or. en

Amendment 286

Andi Cristea

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 59 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

59a. Emphasizes the responsibility of all States to put an end to impunity and to prosecute those responsible for genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes, including those relating to sexual violence, such as rape, sexual slavery, forced prostitution, enforced pregnancy, enforced sterilisation and any other form of sexual violence of comparable seriousness and to recognize and condemn these crimes as a crime against humanity and a war crime;

Amendment 287

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Subheading (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Freedom of thought, conscience and religion or belief

Or. en

Amendment 288

Ulrike Lunacek, Daniele Viotti, Sirpa Pietikäinen, Tanja Fajon, Malin Björk, Ian Duncan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 60

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

60. Recalls that ***freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief is a fundamental human right***, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

60. Recalls that ***everybody is entitled to the complete set of human rights*** as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, ***without discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, ability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or religion or belief; reaffirms that cultural, traditional or religious values can never be invoked to justify any form of discrimination, including discrimination against women or LGBTI persons***;

Or. en

Amendment 289

Alojz Peterle

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 60

Motion for a resolution

60. Recalls that freedom of thought, conscience, **religion and belief** is a fundamental human right, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

Amendment

60. Recalls that freedom of thought, conscience **and religion** is a fundamental human right, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; **in this regard, it highlights the particularly dramatic situation of persecution in which Christian communities are in various third countries;**

Or. en

Amendment 290

Tokia Saïfi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 60

Motion for a resolution

60. Recalls that freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief is a fundamental human right, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

Amendment

60. Recalls that freedom of thought, **expression**, conscience, religion and belief is a fundamental human right, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

Or. fr

Amendment 291

Hans-Olaf Henkel

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 60

Motion for a resolution

60. Recalls that freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief is a fundamental human right, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

Amendment

60. Recalls that freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief is a fundamental human right, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, **interrelated with other human rights and fundamental freedoms encompassing the rights to believe or not**

to believe, the freedom to practise theistic, non-theistic or atheistic belief alike, and the right to adopt, change and abandon or return to a belief of one's choice;

Or. en

Amendment 292

Dennis de Jong, Peter van Dalen, Marian Harkin, Miltiadis Kyrkos, Lars Adaktusson, Margrete Auken

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 60**

Motion for a resolution

60. Recalls that freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief is a fundamental human right, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

Amendment

60. Recalls that freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief is a fundamental human right, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, *interrelated with other human rights and fundamental freedoms encompassing the rights to believe or not to believe, the freedom to practice theistic, non-theistic or atheistic belief alike, and the right to adopt, change and abandon or return to a belief of one's choice;*

Or. en

Amendment 293

László Tóké

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 60**

Motion for a resolution

60. Recalls that freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief is a fundamental human right, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

Amendment

60. Recalls that freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief is a fundamental human right, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, *as well as guaranteed by Article 18 of the UN International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; expresses its*

concern that a large number of UN countries still fail to abide by UN standards and use state repression, which may include physical punishment, prison terms, exorbitant fines and even the death penalty in violation of freedom of religion or belief;

Or. en

Amendment 294
Marie-Christine Vergiat, Pablo Iglesias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 60

Motion for a resolution

60. Recalls that freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief is a fundamental human right, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

Amendment

60. Recalls that freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief is a fundamental human right, as recognised in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; *notes that this right encompasses the right to have beliefs or not to have them, the right to change religion or beliefs, freedom of expression, assembly, and association, and the right of parents to bring up their children according to their moral convictions, whether religious or not;*

Or. fr

Amendment 295
Alojz Peterle

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 60 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

60a. Invites the Union to effectively operate so that the freedom to change one's religion without any coercion is ensured in the world;

Amendment 296

Dennis de Jong, Peter van Dalen, Lars Adaktusson, Margrete Auken

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 60 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

60b. Calls on the EEAS to create an office to act as focal contact point for religion or belief matters, which would be responsible for the promotion and protection of freedoms of religion or belief, and for facilitating dialogue between EU delegations and relevant religious and belief organisations;

Or. en

Amendment 297

Dennis de Jong, Peter van Dalen, Miltiadis Kyrkos, Marian Harkin, Lars Adaktusson, Margrete Auken

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 60 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

60c. Welcomes the EU's commitment to promoting the right to freedom of religion or belief at international platforms including the UN, OSCE and the Council of Europe; commends the HR/VP for her determination to protect freedom of religion or belief, and for stating that it is one of three special human rights priorities; encourages the HR/VP in her chairmanship of the Foreign Affairs Council, to raise freedom of religion or belief as a special issue for the Council twice a year;

Or. en

Amendment 298

Dennis de Jong, Peter van Dalen, Miltiadis Kyrkos, Marian Harkin, Lars Adaktusson, Margrete Auken

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 60 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

60d. Is concerned about the increase in violence against religious or belief minorities around the world; calls for the special protection of refugees who have been forced to flee their place of origin as a result of discrimination on the basis of their religion or belief; asserts that all states have a duty to protect minorities against discrimination and violence;

Or. en

Amendment 299

Petras Auštrevičius

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 61

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

61. Calls on the EU and the Member States to step up their efforts to enhance respect for freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief and to promote inter-religious dialogue when engaging with third countries; fully supports the EU practice of taking the lead on thematic resolutions at the UNHRC and at the UNGA on freedom of religion and belief; ***requests concrete action towards the effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief, including by ensuring systematic and consistent training of EU staff at Headquarters and in Delegations;***

61. Calls on the EU and the Member States to step up their efforts to enhance respect for freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief and to promote inter-religious dialogue when engaging with third countries; fully supports the EU practice of taking the lead on thematic resolutions at the UNHRC and at the UNGA on freedom of religion and belief;

Amendment 300**Marietje Schaake, Sophia in 't Veld****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 61***Motion for a resolution*

61. Calls on the EU and the Member States to step up their efforts to enhance respect for freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief and to promote inter-religious dialogue when engaging with third countries; fully supports the EU practice of taking the lead on thematic resolutions at the UNHRC and at the UNGA on freedom of religion and belief; requests concrete action towards the effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief, including by ensuring systematic and consistent training of EU staff at Headquarters and in Delegations;

Amendment

61. Calls on the EU and the Member States to step up their efforts to enhance respect for freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief and to promote inter-religious dialogue when engaging with third countries; ***requests concrete actions to protect religious minorities, non-believers and atheists that are victims of blasphemy laws and calls on the EU and member states to engage in political discussions to repeal such laws;*** fully supports the EU practice of taking the lead on thematic resolutions at the UNHRC and at the UNGA on freedom of religion and belief; requests concrete action towards the effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief, ***both in international and regional forums and in bilateral relations with third countries with particular attention for the vulnerable situation of apostates and non-believers, and*** including by ensuring systematic and consistent training of EU staff at Headquarters and in Delegations;

Or. en

Amendment 301**Tokia Saïfi****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 61**

Motion for a resolution

61. Calls on the EU and the Member States to step up their efforts to enhance respect for freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief and to promote inter-religious dialogue when engaging with third countries; fully supports the EU practice of taking the lead on thematic resolutions at the UNHRC and at the UNGA on freedom of religion and belief; requests concrete action towards the effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief, including by ensuring systematic and consistent training of EU staff at Headquarters and in Delegations;

Amendment

61. Calls on the EU and the Member States to step up their efforts to enhance respect for freedom of thought, ***expression***, conscience, religion and belief and to promote inter-religious dialogue when engaging with third countries; fully supports the EU practice of taking the lead on thematic resolutions at the UNHRC and at the UNGA on freedom of religion and belief; requests concrete action towards the effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief, including by ensuring systematic and consistent training of EU staff at Headquarters and in Delegations;

Or. fr

Amendment 302

László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 61

Motion for a resolution

61. Calls on the EU and the Member States to step up their efforts to enhance respect for freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief and to promote inter-religious dialogue when engaging with third countries; fully supports the EU practice of taking the lead on thematic resolutions at the UNHRC and at the UNGA on freedom of religion and belief; requests concrete action towards the effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief, including by ensuring systematic and consistent training of EU staff at Headquarters and in Delegations;

Amendment

61. Calls on the EU and the Member States to step up their efforts to enhance respect for freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief and to promote inter-religious dialogue when engaging with third countries; fully supports the EU practice of taking the lead on thematic resolutions at the UNHRC and at the UNGA on freedom of religion and belief; requests concrete action ***and measures*** towards the effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief, including by ensuring systematic and consistent training of EU staff at Headquarters and in Delegations;

Amendment 303**Dennis de Jong, Peter van Dalen, Miltiadis Kyrkos, Lars Adaktusson, Margrete Auken****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 61***Motion for a resolution*

61. Calls on the EU and the Member States to step up their efforts to enhance respect for freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief and to promote inter-religious dialogue when engaging with third countries; fully supports the EU practice of taking the lead on thematic resolutions at the UNHRC and at the UNGA on freedom of religion and belief; requests concrete action towards the effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief, including by ensuring systematic and consistent training of EU staff at Headquarters and in Delegations;

Amendment

61. Calls on the EU and the Member States to step up their efforts to ***guarantee access to and*** enhance respect for freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief and to promote inter-religious dialogue when engaging with third countries; fully supports the EU practice of taking the lead on thematic resolutions at the UNHRC and at the UNGA on freedom of religion and belief; ***encourages the EU to support the mandate of the UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief;*** requests concrete action towards the effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief, including by ensuring systematic and consistent training of EU staff at Headquarters and in Delegations, ***reporting on country and local situations, engaging in close cooperation with local actors, especially with leaders of religious or belief groups including respect for freedom of religion or belief rights in Human Rights Impact Assessments that are carried out before the EU decides to conclude new trade and investment agreements and urging countries not currently accepting requests for visits from the UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief to do so;***

Amendment 304**Alojz Peterle**

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 61

Motion for a resolution

61. Calls on the EU and the Member States to step up their efforts to enhance respect for freedom of thought, conscience, ***religion and belief and*** to promote inter-religious dialogue when engaging with third countries; fully supports the EU practice of taking the lead on thematic resolutions at the UNHRC and at the UNGA on freedom of religion and belief; requests concrete action towards the effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief, including by ensuring ***systematic*** and consistent training of EU staff at Headquarters and in Delegations;

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Or. en

Amendment 305
György Hölvényi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 61 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

61a. Recalls that based on Article 17 of TFEU, the European Union promotes inter-religious encounter by maintaining an open and transparent dialogue with representatives of religions; reaffirms that

the cooperation with local representatives of religions and their organisations in third countries, especially in crisis regions is inevitable for increasing the effectiveness of EU humanitarian aid;

Or. en

Amendment 306
György Hölvényi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 61 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

61b. Calls on the EU to participate in the fight against religious extremism in third countries by facilitating the exchange of best practices of inter-religious dialogue; reminds of the need for establishing relevant standing mechanisms promoting reconciliation and conflict-management by involving religious authorities;

Or. en

Amendment 307
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution
Subheading (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

EU action against the death penalty

Or. en

Amendment 308
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 62

Motion for a resolution

62. Welcomes the Joint Declaration of the VP/HR and the Secretary-General of the Council of Europe of October 2014, which reaffirmed their strong and absolute opposition to capital punishment in all cases and under all circumstances; maintains its view that the worldwide abolition of the death penalty should be one of the EU's central objectives as regards human rights;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 309
Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 62

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the death penalty and for the EU to intensify its commitment to the abolition of the death penalty;

Or. nl

Amendment 310

Marie-Christine Vergiat, Pablo Iglesias

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 63

Motion for a resolution

63. Expresses its concern at the growing number of death sentences worldwide; *considers it regrettable that Belarus has resumed executions after a two-year pause; reiterates therefore its call on Belarus to implement a moratorium on the death penalty, which should ultimately lead to its abolition;*

Amendment

63. Expresses its concern at the growing number of death sentences worldwide; *notes that the countries which make greatest use of capital punishment (China, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, and the United States) account for more than 80% of executions in any one year; condemns the fact that executions have resumed in some countries where there used to be a moratorium and expresses serious disquiet at the fact that other countries, alongside other laws, have again been resorting to the death penalty, sometimes on the pretext of fighting terrorism or drugs; condemns in particular the sentencing of children, mentally retarded persons, and pregnant women; also condemns stoning and the sentences imposed for adultery, homosexuality, and blasphemy;*

Or. fr

Amendment 311

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

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deeply regrets that some countries still have capital punishment in their legislations; reiterates therefore its call on *those countries* to implement a moratorium on the death penalty, which should ultimately lead to its abolition;

Or. en

Amendment 312

Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 63

Motion for a resolution

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Or. nl

Amendment 313

Ulrike Lunacek, Daniele Viotti, Sophia in 't Veld, Sirpa Pietikäinen, Tanja Fajon, Malin Björk, Marietje Schaake, Ian Duncan

Motion for a resolution

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abolition; *is concerned that 8 states legislate death penalty for homosexuality (Mauritania, Sudan, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Qatar) and provinces of Nigeria and Somalia officially implement death penalty for same-sex sexual acts; calls on these states to stop criminalising homosexuality and calls on Brunei Darussalam not to activate the death penalty for homosexuality in 2016, as is currently foreseen; urges the EEAS to maintain fighting criminalization of LGBTI people a key priority;*

Or. en

Amendment 314

Barbara Lochbihler

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 63 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63a. Urges the EEAS, the Commission and the Member States to provide guidance for a comprehensive and effective European death penalty policy with regard to dozens of European nationals facing execution in third countries, which should include strong and reinforced mechanisms in terms of identification, delivery of legal assistance and diplomatic representation;

Or. en

Amendment 315

Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 64

Motion for a resolution

64. Calls on the EU to continue engaging with retentionist countries, making use of all diplomatic and cooperation tools in order to ***promote*** the abolition of the death penalty; reiterates, moreover, its call for the EU to continue monitoring the conditions under which executions are carried out in the countries that still use the death penalty;

Amendment

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Or. nl

Amendment 316
Andi Cristea

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 64 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

64a. Calls on the EU to encourage a consistent and constructive dialogue to raise awareness through public education and public campaigns to persuade countries that still retain the death penalty to abolish or at least to introduce a moratorium as a first step in this direction;

Or. en

Amendment 317
Andi Cristea

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 64 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

64b. Underlines that there are countries which failed to take steps to address the urgent need for fully resourced plans to

tackle prison conditions; notices that very little progress was made in ensuring that prison facilities complied with international human rights standards and that prisoners' rights to life, physical integrity and dignity were protected; emphasizes the necessity to improve the detention conditions in order to respect human rights and the fact that incarcerated persons should not be subject to inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment;

Or. en

Amendment 318
Kinga Gál

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 65

Motion for a resolution

65. Considers that, following the 30th anniversary of the UN Convention against Torture, and given that torture and ill-treatment continue worldwide, the EU should intensify its efforts to eradicate these serious human rights violations; urges, therefore, the EEAS and the VP/HR to more strongly engage in the fight against torture and other cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment through increased diplomatic undertakings and a more systematic public positioning; recommends that the EEAS, the EU Delegations and the Member States make use of all existing instruments such as the EU Guidelines on Torture to their full potential;

Amendment

65. Considers that, following the 30th anniversary of the UN Convention against Torture, and given that torture and ill-treatment continue worldwide, the EU should intensify its efforts to eradicate these serious human rights violations; ***stresses the fact that members of vulnerable groups such as children and women, ethnic, linguistic and religious minorities are more often exposed to torture or ill treatment in detention, therefore require special attention;*** urges, therefore, the EEAS and the VP/HR to more strongly engage in the fight against torture and other cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment through increased diplomatic undertakings and a more systematic public positioning; recommends that the EEAS, the EU Delegations and the Member States make use of all existing instruments such as the EU Guidelines on Torture to their full potential;

Amendment 319**Javier Couso Permuy, Pablo Iglesias****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 65***Motion for a resolution*

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Or. es

Amendment 320**Marietje Schaake****Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 65 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

65a. Reiterates the importance of effective export control mechanisms for certain drugs that can be used for executions and equipment that can be used for torture; calls on the Commission to tackle the remaining loopholes in the Regulation by introducing an end-use catch-all clause that would prohibit the export of any drug that could be used for torture or execution;

Or. en

**Amendment 321
Hans-Olaf Henkel**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 65 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

65b. Urges the EU to commit to its values and principles on torture and the death penalty regardless of the depth and degree of the economic and political ties of the EU with the third country;

Or. en

**Amendment 322
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post**

**Motion for a resolution
Subheading (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Discrimination

Or. en

Amendment 323
Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 65 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

65c. Stresses, however, that no form of discrimination, violence, punishment by way of reprisal, torture, sexual abuse of women and girls, genital mutilation, child marriage, forced marriage, trafficking in women, discrimination and social exclusion on grounds of social class or origin and domestic violence can ever be justified on grounds of social, religious or cultural convictions and traditions;

Or. nl

Amendment 324
Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 66

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66. Condemns in the strongest terms all forms of discrimination, including those based on race, colour, gender, sexual orientation, language, culture, social origin, caste, birth, age, disability or any other status; urges the EU to intensify its efforts to eradicate all types of discrimination, racism and xenophobia through human rights and political dialogues, the work of the EU Delegations and public diplomacy; urges the EU also to continue promoting the ratification and full implementation of all UN Conventions that support this cause, such as the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination or the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;

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Amendment 325

Dennis de Jong, Peter van Dalen, Miltiadis Kyrkos, Marian Harkin, Lars Adaktusson, Margrete Auken

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 326

Ulrike Lunacek, Daniele Viotti, Sophia in 't Veld, Sirpa Pietikäinen, Tanja Fajon, Malin Björk, Marietje Schaake, Ian Duncan

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 327

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Subheading (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

LGBTI rights

Or. en

Amendment 328

Ulrike Lunacek, Daniele Viotti, Sophia in 't Veld, Sirpa Pietikäinen, Tanja Fajon, Malin Björk, Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 66 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66a. Welcomes the continued efforts of the EU on the rights of LGBTI persons in its foreign policy, in line with the EU Guidelines to Promote and Protect the Enjoyment of all Human Rights by Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex (LGBTI) Persons; calls for

thorough implementation of the guidelines, including through training of diplomats, staff and interpreters;

Or. en

Amendment 329

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 66 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66b. Welcomes the adoption in 2013 of the EU Guidelines to Promote and Protect the Enjoyment of all Human Rights by Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex (LGBTI) Persons; emphasises the importance of the Commission and the EEAS continuing to raise the issue of LGBTI rights in political and human rights dialogues and in multilateral fora, and of using the EIDHR to support organisations defending LGBTI rights by empowering them to challenge homophobic and transphobic laws and discrimination against LGBTI people, raising awareness among the general public of the discrimination and violence experienced by lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and intersex people;

Or. en

Amendment 330

Ulrike Lunacek, Daniele Viotti, Sophia in 't Veld, Sirpa Pietikäinen, Tanja Fajon, Malin Björk, Marietje Schaake, Ian Duncan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 66 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66c. Expresses its strong support for the

work of the United Nations on the rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and intersex people; welcomes, in this regard, the UNHRC resolution on combating violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity, adopted on 26 September 2014 (A/HRC/RES/27/32), and the High Commissioner's report on Discrimination and violence against individuals based on their sexual orientation and gender identity published 5 May 2015 (A/HRC/19/41); reaffirms its support for the Secretary General and High Commissioner's work to promote and protect the enjoyment of all human rights by LGBTI people, in particular through statements, reports and the Free & Equal campaign; encourages the Secretary General and High Commissioner to continue fighting discriminatory laws and practices;

Or. en

Amendment 331
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 66 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66d. Underlines the importance for the EU to continue to actively promote equality and non-discrimination; welcomes the first-ever UN Security council meeting on LGBTI rights that took place on 24 August 2015 condemning the attacks and killings of LGBTI people in the Middle East by ISIS;

Or. en

Amendment 332
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 66 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66e. Welcomes the ruling by the European Court of Human Rights in Oliari and others v. Italy in July 2015, affirming that states should offer adequate legal protection and recognition of same-sex couples; considers that the rights of lesbian, gay and bisexual people are more likely to be respected if they have access to legal institutions, such as registered partnership or marriage; welcomes that an increasing number of countries – 20 to date – around the world have opened marriage to same-sex couples; reiterates its call for the Commission to propose an ambitious regulation on the mutual recognition of the legal effects of civil status documents;

Or. en

Amendment 333
Ulrike Lunacek, Daniele Viotti, Sophia in 't Veld, Sirpa Pietikäinen, Tanja Fajon, Malin Björk, Marietje Schaake, Ian Duncan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 66 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66f. Calls on the EU and the Member States to continue their efforts to work to enhance respect for the rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and intersex people, in line with the EU Guidelines to Promote and Protect the Enjoyment of all Human Rights by Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex (LGBTI) Persons; calls for thorough implementation of the guidelines, and for

*adequate training of diplomats and staff
on issues of sexual orientation and gender
identity;*

Or. en

Amendment 334

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 66 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66g. Regrets that 75 countries criminalise homosexuality, including 8 which provide for the death penalty (Saudi Arabia, Mauritania, Sudan, Yemen, Afghanistan, Iran, Pakistan, Qatar as well as certain provinces of Nigeria and Somalia); firmly condemns the recent increase in discriminatory laws and believes that practices and acts of violence against individuals on the basis of their sexual orientation and gender identity should not go unpunished; encourages close monitoring of the situation in Brunei due to activate the death penalty for same-sex sexual acts in 2016, and in Nigeria, Uganda, Malawi and India and, where new laws or recent legal developments seriously threaten the freedom of sexual minorities; reaffirms its support for the continuing work of the UN High Commissioner on Human Rights to combat these discriminatory laws and practices and for the UN's work more generally on this issue;

Or. en

Amendment 335

**Ulrike Lunacek, Sirpa Pietikäinen, Tanja Fajon, Malin Björk, Sophia in 't Veld,
Marietje Schaake, Ian Duncan**

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 66 h (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66h. Is severely concerned about the regrettable trend to enact laws restricting freedom of expression and assembly for those who support the human rights of LGBTI persons; calls in this regard on Russia, Algeria, Nigeria and Lithuania to repeal their laws criminalizing the 'propaganda of homosexuality', which curtail human rights, notably freedom of expression and assembly in relation to sexual orientation and gender identity; remains concerned that Kyrgyzstan may soon provide one year imprisonment for the "promotion of non-traditional sexual relations in open or indirect way" and calls on the Kyrgyz parliament to withdraw this proposal; is concerned over the negative consequences of these laws on society, with discrimination and violence against LGBTI individuals increasing; welcomes the withdrawal of Ukraine's "homosexuality anti-propaganda" bill; calls on the EU Delegation to increase its support for defenders of the human rights of LGBTI people, in line with the relevant guidelines;

Or. en

Amendment 336
Kinga Gál

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 67

Motion for a resolution

67. Emphasises that minority communities in third countries have specific needs and that their full equality should be promoted;

Amendment

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and cultural life;

Or. en

Amendment 337

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Subheading (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Caste-based discrimination

Or. en

Amendment 338

Barbara Lochbihler

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Heidi Hautala

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 67 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

67a. Notes with great concern the scale and consequences of caste-based discrimination globally and the perpetuation of caste-based human rights violations; poverty; inequality, and stigmatization; calls for the adoption of an EU policy and tool on the prevention and elimination of caste-based discrimination, which would inter alia commit the EU to high level public diplomacy on caste-based discrimination and reporting on caste-based discrimination in EU publications; recommends mainstreaming of the topic in EEAS and Commission guidelines and action plans, in particular EU fight against all forms of discrimination, and efforts to combat violence against women and girls, and all forms of discrimination

against them;

Or. en

Amendment 339

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 67 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

67b. Condemns the continuing human rights violations committed against people suffering from caste hierarchies and caste-based discrimination, including the denial of equality and of access to the legal system and to employment, continued segregation and caste-induced barriers to the achievement of basic human rights and development;

Or. en

Amendment 340

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Subheading (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Rights of persons with disabilities

Or. en

Amendment 341

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 67 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

67c. Welcomes the ratifications of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; reiterates the importance of efficient implementation by both the Member States and the EU institutions and stresses, in particular, the need to credibly mainstream the principle of universal accessibility and all the rights of persons with disabilities throughout all relevant EU policies, including in the area of development cooperation, and underlines the prescriptive and horizontal nature of this issue;

Or. en

Amendment 342

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 67 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

67d. Encourages the VP/HR to continue to support the process of ratification and implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities by those countries which have not ratified or implemented it as yet;

Or. en

Amendment 343

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Subheading (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Rights of women and girls

Amendment 344

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 67 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

67e. Welcomes the EU's support for UN resolutions on gender issues, notably on the elimination of violence against women and girls, on discrimination against women and on the role of freedom of expression and opinion in women's empowerment, and for the UN's statements on early and forced marriage and on female genital mutilation;

Or. en

Amendment 345

Miroslav Mikolášik

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 67 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

67f. Condemns the practice of surrogacy that undermines human dignity of the woman as her body and its reproductive functions are used as a commodity, the practice of gestational surrogacy which involves reproductive exploitation and use of human body for financial or other gain, in particular of vulnerable women in developing countries, shall be prohibited and treated as a matter of urgency in human rights instruments;

Or. en

Amendment 346
Miroslav Mikolášik

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 67 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

67g. Calls for clear principles and international legal instruments addressing human rights issues related to surrogacy aiming at the prevention of human rights abuses, such as exploitation of women and human trafficking, and protection of rights, interests and wellbeing of children;

Or. en

Amendment 347
Hilde Vautmans, Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 68

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

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*mutilation of children and (young)
women as means of war;*

Or. en

Amendment 348

Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Caterina Chinnici, Sofia Ribeiro, Merja Kyllönen, Therese Comodini Cachia, Antonio López-Istúriz White, Jana Žitňanská, Marielle de Sarnez, Gérard Deprez, Kinga Gál, Silvia Costa, Damiano Zoffoli, Tomáš Zdechovský, Julie Ward, Nathalie Griesbeck

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 68**

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Or. en

Amendment 349

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 69**

Motion for a resolution

69. Encourages the EU to continue mainstreaming support for women within CSDP operations and to pursue its efforts towards the implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 1325(2000) on women, peace and security;

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 350

Hilde Vautmans, Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 69

Motion for a resolution

69. Encourages the EU to continue mainstreaming support for women within CSDP operations and to pursue its efforts towards the implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 1325(2000) on women, peace and security;

Amendment

69. Encourages the EU to continue mainstreaming support for women **and girls** within CSDP operations and to pursue its efforts towards the implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 1325(2000) on women, peace and security;

Or. en

Amendment 351

Marietje Schaake, Sophia in 't Veld

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 69

Motion for a resolution

69. Encourages the EU to continue mainstreaming support for women within CSDP operations and to pursue its efforts towards the implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 1325(2000) on women, peace and security;

Amendment

69. Encourages the EU to continue mainstreaming support for women **and girls** within CSDP operations and to pursue its efforts towards the implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 1325(2000) **and 1820** on women, peace and security; **welcomes in this context the reviewed EU humanitarian aid policy, announced in the letter with reference 3757306 sent on 11 September 2015 by VP/HR Mogherini and urges for quick implementation;**

Or. en

Amendment 352

Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 69

Motion for a resolution

69. Encourages the EU to continue mainstreaming support for women within CSDP operations and to pursue its efforts towards the implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 1325(2000) on women, peace and security;

Amendment

69. Encourages the EU to continue mainstreaming support for women within CSDP operations and to pursue its efforts towards the implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 1325(2000) on women, peace and security; ***stresses that, in order to arrive at lasting and stable political solutions, the active participation of women in post-conflict and democratic transition processes is required; calls on the EU to actively support initiatives designed to increase the level of participation of women in these democratic transition processes;***

Or. nl

Amendment 353
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 69 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

69a. Requests the EU to support the strengthening of the coherence, synergies and complementarities between the reviews of peace operations, of the UN peacebuilding architecture and of UNSC Resolution 1325 and 1820 on Women and Peace and Security; stresses the importance of women's equal and full participation as active agents in the prevention and resolution of conflicts, peace negotiations, peace-building, peacekeeping, humanitarian response and in post-conflict reconstruction; in this context welcomes that the Commission has reviewed its humanitarian aid policy which now states that international humanitarian law and/or human rights

law may justify providing safe abortions to female war rape victims;

Or. en

Amendment 354

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 69 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

69b. Reaffirms its condemnation of all forms of abuse and violence against women and girls, especially the use of sexual violence as a weapon of war and domestic violence; calls on all Council of Europe member states, accordingly, to sign and ratify the Istanbul Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence; calls for the EU, as such, to take steps to accede to that convention in order to ensure coherence between EU internal and external action on violence against women and girls;

Or. en

Amendment 355

Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Sofia Ribeiro, Merja Kyllönen, Therese Comodini Cachia, Antonio López-Istúriz White, Jana Žitňanská, Marielle de Sarnez, Gérard Deprez, Jean Lambert, Kinga Gál, Silvia Costa, Damiano Zoffoli, Tomáš Zdechovský, Caterina Chinnici, Julie Ward, Nathalie Griesbeck

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 69 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

69c. Strongly condemns the continued use of rape against women and girls as a weapon of war; stresses that more needs to be done to ensure respect of

international law and access to health and psychological care for women and girls abused in conflicts; calls on the EU, the Member States, international organisations, and civil society to increase cooperation to raise awareness and combat impunity;

Or. en

Amendment 356
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 69 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

69d. Reiterates, in this respect, its call for the EU and its Member States to support, in the process of building sustainable reconciliation, the systematic participation of women as a vital component of peace processes, and to recognise the need to mainstream gender perspectives in conflict prevention, peacekeeping operations, humanitarian assistance and post-conflict reconstruction and democratic transition process;

Or. en

Amendment 357
Monica Macovei

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 70

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

70. Invites the Commission, the EEAS and the VP/HR to continue promoting the political and economic empowerment of women by mainstreaming gender equality

70. Welcomes the conclusions of the 59th session of the UN Commission on the Status of Women, adopted in March 2015, and notes with concern the weak progress

in all their external policies and programmes and by publicly raising gender-related issues;

made in gender equality since levels of inequality between women and men and girls and boys persist globally; Invites the Commission, the EEAS and the VP/HR to continue promoting the political and economic empowerment of women by mainstreaming gender equality in all their external policies and programmes and by publicly raising gender-related issues;

Or. en

Amendment 358

Hilde Vautmans, Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 70

Motion for a resolution

70. Invites the Commission, the EEAS and the VP/HR to continue promoting the political and economic empowerment of women by mainstreaming gender equality in all their external policies and programmes and by publicly raising gender-related issues;

Amendment

70. Invites the Commission, the EEAS and the VP/HR to continue promoting the political and economic empowerment of women *and girls* by mainstreaming gender equality in all their external policies and programmes, *while also earmarking funds for this same purpose*, and by publicly raising gender-related issues;

Or. en

Amendment 359

Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 70

Motion for a resolution

70. Invites the Commission, the EEAS and the VP/HR to continue promoting the political and economic empowerment of women by mainstreaming gender equality in all their external policies and programmes and by publicly raising

Amendment

70. Invites the Commission, the EEAS and the VP/HR to continue promoting the political and economic empowerment of women by mainstreaming gender equality in all their external policies and programmes and by publicly raising

gender-related issues;

gender-related issues; *takes positive note of the new framework for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment for 2016-2020; underlines the need to focus on the horizontal pillar, which aims for the Commission and the EEAS to deliver more effectively on EU commitments of strengthening women and girls' rights through external relations;*

Or. en

Amendment 360

Andi Cristea

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 70 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

70a. Calls on the Commission in the Enlargement and Neighbourhood Policy and in the fields of development cooperation, trade and diplomatic relations, to work for the introduction of a standard that reaffirms that women's rights are human rights, and makes their respect mandatory and part of structured dialogues in all EU partnerships and bilateral negotiations;

Or. en

Amendment 361

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 70 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

70b. Stresses that the empowerment and human rights of women and girls must be at the core of the post-2015 agenda, as these are essential elements for progress

on poverty eradication and sustainable development; recalls the importance of the Global Women's Summit which aimed to enhance the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action, promoted new political commitments in achieving post-2015 agenda in women development; the promotion, protection and fulfilment of all human rights and to the full and effective implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the Programme of Action of the ICPD and the outcomes of their review conferences and remain committed to sexual and reproductive health and rights;

Or. en

Amendment 362
Hilde Vautmans, Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 70 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

70c. Emphasises the importance of scaling up efforts to ensure access to basic human rights, such as health and education, while empowering women and girls and protecting their rights, including sexual and reproductive health and rights, in order to eradicate poverty and achieve sustainable development;

Or. en

Amendment 363
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution
Subheading (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Children's rights

Or. en

Amendment 364

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 71

Motion for a resolution

71. Reaffirms the urgent need for universal ratification and effective implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Child and its Optional Protocols;

Amendment

71. Reaffirms the urgent need for universal ratification and effective implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Child and its Optional Protocols; ***calls on all States to commit themselves to eliminating the worst forms of child labour as defined by Article 3 of ILO Convention No 182, which include child slavery, trafficking, prostitution and hazardous work affecting a child's physical and mental health;***

Or. en

Amendment 365

Ulrike Lunacek, Daniele Viotti, Sophia in 't Veld, Sirpa Pietikäinen, Tanja Fajon, Malin Björk, Marietje Schaake, Ian Duncan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 72

Motion for a resolution

72. Welcomes the Council conclusions on the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, adopted in December 2014, and calls for the EU to continue supporting partner countries in combatting all forms of violence against children and reinforcing their capacities to protect children's rights;

Amendment

72. Welcomes the Council conclusions on the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, adopted in December 2014, and calls for the EU to continue supporting partner countries in combatting all forms of violence against children and reinforcing their capacities to protect children's rights; ***supports the Council of Europe***

Commissioner for Human Rights'
statement of May 2014 regarding the
rights of intersex children; calls
accordingly upon all states to recognize
the right to self-determination and
physical integrity of intersex children and
repeal any law allowing for genital-
normalizing surgery to be conducted
without free and informed consent of the
person concerned;

Or. en

Amendment 366

Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Caterina Chinnici, Sofia Ribeiro, Merja Kyllönen, Therese Comodini Cachia, Antonio López-Istúriz White, Jana Žitňanská, Marielle de Sarnez, Gérard Deprez, Jean Lambert, Kinga Gál, Silvia Costa, Damiano Zoffoli, Tomáš Zdechovský, Julie Ward, Nathalie Griesbeck

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 72

Motion for a resolution

72. Welcomes the Council conclusions on the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, adopted in December 2014, and calls for the EU to continue supporting partner countries in combatting all forms of violence against children and reinforcing their capacities to protect children's rights;

Amendment

72. Welcomes the Council conclusions on the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, adopted in December 2014, and calls for the EU to continue supporting partner countries in combatting all forms of violence against children and reinforcing their capacities to protect children's rights; **welcomes the global roll-out in 2014 of the EU-UNICEF Child Rights Toolkit reaffirming the EU's commitment to mainstream children's rights in all sectors and policies;**

Or. en

Amendment 367
Andi Cristea

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 72 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

72a. Recalls the principles of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and especially the rights of the child, in the case of sexual exploitation of minors all over the world;

Or. en

Amendment 368

Andi Cristea

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 72 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

72b. Denounces the sexual exploitation of minors as a crime 'erga omnes' and an attack on the fundamental rights of children which must be fought at all levels;

Or. en

Amendment 369

Andi Cristea

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 72 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

72c. Calls on the EU Member States to act together in the fight against organised crime and trafficking in human beings, especially trafficking in minors;

Or. en

Amendment 370
Miroslav Mikolášik

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 72 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

72d. Calls for the establishment of efficient legal and policy framework strengthening the protection of rights of children before birth, especially in order to prevent sex-selective abortions, forced abortions as a part of family planning policies and similar practices incompatible with the right to life and human dignity;

Or. en

Amendment 371
Miroslav Mikolášik

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 72 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

72e. Calls for an advanced approach to the right to life in order to enhance the protection of a human being in prenatal period;

Or. en

Amendment 372
Miroslav Mikolášik

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 72 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

72f. Emphasizes that abortion shall not be promoted as a form of family planning in

Amendment 373

Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 73

Motion for a resolution

73. Reiterates its request for the Commission to propose a comprehensive Child Rights Strategy and Action Plan for the next five years, supporting the EU's efforts to promote children's rights, namely by contributing to ensuring children's access to water, sanitation, healthcare and education, as well as by eliminating child labour *and assisting* children in *armed conflicts*;

Amendment

73. Reiterates its request for the Commission to propose a comprehensive Child Rights Strategy and Action Plan for the next five years, supporting the EU's efforts to promote children's rights, namely by contributing to ensuring children's access to water, sanitation, healthcare and education, as well as by eliminating child labour, *forced labour, trafficking in persons, child marriages and sexual exploitation and making sufficient resources and instruments available, and deploying them, in order to guarantee access to and the right to education for* children in *areas of conflict and refugee camps*;

Amendment 374

Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Caterina Chinnici, Sofia Ribeiro, Merja Kyllönen, Therese Comodini Cachia, Antonio López-Istúriz White, Jana Žitňanská, Marielle de Sarnez, Gérard Deprez, Jean Lambert, Kinga Gál, Silvia Costa, Damiano Zoffoli, Tomáš Zdechovský, Julie Ward, Nathalie Griesbeck

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 73

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the next five years, supporting the EU's efforts to promote children's rights, namely by contributing to ensuring children's access to water, sanitation, healthcare and education, as well as by eliminating child labour and assisting children in armed conflicts;

the next five years, supporting the EU's efforts to promote children's rights, namely by contributing to ensuring children's access to water, sanitation, healthcare and education, as well as by eliminating child labour and assisting children in armed conflicts; *commends the "Children No Soldiers" campaign and calls on the EU and Member States to step up their support in order to reach the target of ending the recruitment and use of children in conflicts by government armed forces by 2016.*

Or. en

Amendment 375

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 73 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

73a. Calls on the Commission and the EEAS to continue to take action regarding the rights of the child, with a specific focus on violence against children, including torture, as cases of torture and detention of children have been reported recently; calls for particular focus on the issues of forced child labour, child poverty and child malnutrition, and, in this connection, on the goals of universal primary education, a reduction in child mortality, child marriage and harmful practices, the disarmament, rehabilitation and subsequent reintegration of children enlisted in armed groups, and the placing of the issue of child witchcraft on the agenda of human rights dialogues with the countries concerned; stresses the importance of prioritising children's rights within EU external policy, development cooperation and humanitarian aid, so as to ensure adequate funding and increase the level

of protection for children in emergency situations; calls on the VP/HR to report annually to Parliament on the results achieved with regard to child-focused EU external action; emphasises that children and adolescents should participate only in work that does not affect their health and personal development or interfere with their schooling; stresses the importance of prioritising children's rights within EU external policy;

Or. en

Amendment 376

Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Caterina Chinnici, Sofia Ribeiro, Merja Kyllönen, Therese Comodini Cachia, Antonio López-Istúriz White, Jana Žitňanská, Marielle de Sarnez, Gérard Deprez, Jean Lambert, Kinga Gál, Silvia Costa, Damiano Zoffoli, Tomáš Zdechovský, Julie Ward, Nathalie Griesbeck

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 73 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

73 b. Underlines that children are particularly vulnerable in the current refugee and migrant crisis and especially when unaccompanied and that conflicts and instability have uprooted millions of children across several countries around Europe; calls on the Member States to take into account the best interest of the child in all procedures and ensure protection for children and particularly access to safe water, food, health care and education;

Or. en

Amendment 377

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 73 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

73c. Welcomes the EU's cooperation with UNICEF, which has resulted in a toolkit for the mainstreaming of children's rights in development cooperation and in support to key MDGs and Child Protection programmes for realizing children rights specially in fragile contexts as well as with UNRWA;

Or. en

Amendment 378

Ana Gomes, Norbert Neuser, Bodil Valero

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 74 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

74a. Calls for the fundamental rights of the people of Western Sahara, including freedom of association, freedom of expression and the right to assembly, to be respected; demands the release of all Sahrawi political prisoners; demands access to the territories of Western Sahara to members of parliament, independent observers, NGOs, and the press; urges the United Nations to provide the MINURSO with a human rights mandate, in line with all other UN peacekeeping missions around the world; supports a fair and lasting settlement of the Western Sahara conflict, on the basis of the right to self-determination of the Sahrawi people, in accordance with the relevant United Nations resolutions;

Or. en

Amendment 379

Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Subheading

Motion for a resolution

EU action in support and consolidation of
democracy worldwide

Amendment

Strengthening democracy worldwide

Or. en

Amendment 380
Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 75

Motion for a resolution

75. Emphasises the EU's engagement in upholding and promoting respect for human rights and democratic values in its relations with the wider world; recalls that democratic regimes are characterised not only by free and fair electoral processes, but also by freedom of speech and association, the rule of law and accountability, the independence of the judiciary, and impartial administration, among other aspects; stresses that democracy and human rights are inextricably linked and mutually reinforcing, as recalled in the Council conclusions of 18 November 2009 on democracy support in the EU's external relations; welcomes the fact that the new Action Plan on Human Rights and Democracy pays enhanced attention to democracy support activities;

Amendment

75. Emphasises the EU's engagement in upholding and promoting respect for human rights and democratic values in its relations with the wider world; recalls that democratic regimes are characterised not only by free and fair electoral processes, but also by freedom of speech, ***the press*** and association, the rule of law and accountability, the independence of the judiciary, and impartial administration, among other aspects; stresses that democracy and human rights are inextricably linked and mutually reinforcing, as recalled in the Council conclusions of 18 November 2009 on democracy support in the EU's external relations; welcomes the fact that the new Action Plan on Human Rights and Democracy pays enhanced attention to democracy support activities;

Or. nl

Amendment 381
Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 75 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

75a. Proposes that the EU should be able to adjust the level of its financial aid to third countries according to their policy in support of human rights;

Or. fr

Amendment 382
Javier Couso Permuy, Pablo Iglesias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 75 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

75b. Emphatically rejects any military intervention carried out under the pretext of providing assistance in humanitarian crises or assuming a responsibility to protect; emphasises that military intervention in various countries in recent years has only served to exacerbate the humanitarian crises and serious human rights problems in those countries;

Or. es

Amendment 383
Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 76

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

76. Reiterates the fact that freedom of expression is a vital component of any democratic society, as it nourishes a culture of pluralism that empowers civil society and citizens to hold their governments and decision-makers accountable, and supports respect for the rule of law; urges the EU,

76. Reiterates the fact that freedom of expression is a vital component of any democratic society, as it nourishes a culture of pluralism that empowers civil society and citizens to hold their governments and decision-makers accountable, and supports respect for the rule of law; urges the EU,

therefore, to intensify its efforts to promote freedom of expression through its external policies and instruments;

therefore, to intensify its efforts to promote freedom of expression, ***freedom of publication and unrestricted Internet access*** through its external policies and instruments; ***calls on the EU and its Member States to monitor more effectively exports of dual-use technology in order to prevent the improper use of technology to violate human rights or breach privacy;***

Or. nl

Amendment 384

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 77

Motion for a resolution

77. Reiterates its request for the EU and its Member States to enhance their monitoring of all types of restrictions on freedom of expression and the media in third countries and to rapidly and systematically condemn such limitations; emphasises the importance of ensuring effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on Freedom of Expression Online and Offline and of regularly monitoring their impact;

Amendment

77. Reiterates its request for the EU and its Member States to enhance their monitoring of all types of restrictions on freedom of expression and the media in third countries and to rapidly and systematically condemn such limitations ***even when used with legitimate aims such as counter-terrorism, state security and law enforcement;*** emphasises the importance of ensuring effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on Freedom of Expression Online and Offline and of regularly monitoring their impact;

Or. en

Amendment 385

Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 77

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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Member States to enhance their monitoring of all types of restrictions on freedom of expression and the media in third countries and to rapidly and systematically condemn such limitations; emphasises the importance of ensuring effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on Freedom of Expression Online and Offline and of regularly monitoring their impact;

Member States to enhance their monitoring of all types of restrictions on freedom of expression and the media in third countries and to rapidly and systematically condemn such limitations; emphasises the importance of ensuring effective implementation of the EU Guidelines on Freedom of Expression Online and Offline and of regularly monitoring their impact; ***recalls the EU's goal to ensure and protect non-discriminatory access to information and freedom of expression for all individuals, both online and offline;***

Or. en

Amendment 386
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 77 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

77a. Considers that information and communication technologies (ICTs) represent opportunities for enhancement of human rights, for the enforcement of democratic practices and for social and economic development; considers that in its relations with third countries the EU should continue to promote practices that aim to protect privacy and data protection both online and offline;

Or. en

Amendment 387
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 77 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

77b. Calls for increased support in the areas of promoting freedom of media, protecting independent journalists and bloggers, reducing the digital divide and facilitating unrestricted access to information and communication and uncensored access to Internet (digital freedom);

Or. en

Amendment 388
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 77 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

77c. Calls for an effective use of new technologies and the world wide web to make information about human rights and democracy, as well as EU programs, as accessible as possible to people all around the world;

Or. en

Amendment 389
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution
Subheading (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

EU support for human rights defenders

Or. en

Amendment 390
Petras Auštrevičius

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78

Motion for a resolution

78. Is deeply concerned that civil society is increasingly under assault worldwide; recalls that independent civil society plays an essential role in the defence and advancement of human rights and ***in the functioning of democratic societies***;

Amendment

78. Is deeply concerned that civil society is increasingly under assault worldwide; recalls that independent civil society plays an essential role in the defence and advancement of human rights and ***democracy***;

Or. en

Amendment 391
László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78

Motion for a resolution

78. Is deeply concerned that civil society is increasingly under assault worldwide; recalls that independent civil society plays an essential role in the defence and advancement of human rights and in the functioning of democratic societies;

Amendment

78. Is deeply concerned that civil society is increasingly under assault worldwide ***with an increasing number of countries passing harsh laws to stifle their activities, restricting NGO access to foreign funding, introducing burdensome reporting requirements and severe penalties for non-compliance setting dangerous trends globally to other countries***; recalls that independent civil society plays an essential role in the defence and advancement of human rights and in the functioning of democratic societies;

Or. en

Amendment 392
Hans-Olaf Henkel

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78

Motion for a resolution

78. Is deeply concerned that civil society is increasingly under assault worldwide; recalls that independent civil society plays an essential role in the defence and advancement of human rights and in the functioning of democratic societies;

Amendment

78. Is deeply concerned that civil society is increasingly under assault worldwide; recalls that independent civil society plays an essential role in the defence and advancement of human rights and in the functioning of democratic societies; ***emphasizes the role that ICT technology plays in contributing to the efforts of civil society movements in undemocratic regimes;***

Or. en

Amendment 393
Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78

Motion for a resolution

78. Is deeply concerned that civil society is increasingly under assault worldwide; recalls that independent civil society plays an essential role in the defence and advancement of human rights and in the functioning of democratic societies;

Amendment

78. Is deeply concerned that civil society is increasingly under assault worldwide; recalls that independent civil society plays an essential role in the defence and advancement of human rights and in the functioning of democratic societies; ***stresses that freedom of association and freedom of assembly are essential features of an open and tolerant society;***

Or. nl

Amendment 394
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

78a. Expresses its deep concern about the repression of civil society organisations worldwide: calls for renewed efforts to challenge the restrictions and intimidation that people working for civil society organisations face, particularly in countries where these organisations fight to improve respect for human rights of all people;

Or. en

**Amendment 395
Marietje Schaake**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

78b. Expresses its concern at the proliferation and spread of monitoring, surveillance, censoring and filtering technologies, which represent a growing threat to human rights and democracy activists in autocratic countries and also pose troubling questions regarding privacy rights in democratic countries, even when used with the pretext of legitimate aims such as counter-terrorism or law enforcement;

Or. en

**Amendment 396
Marietje Schaake**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78 c (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

78c. Recognises that important producers of ready-made intrusive surveillance systems are located in Europe, which can be used for human rights violations and to attack European digital infrastructure; calls on the Commission to revise the European export control system in order to prevent these intrusive systems from falling into the wrong hands;

Or. en

Amendment 397

Ulrike Lunacek, Daniele Viotti, Sophia in 't Veld, Sirpa Pietikäinen, Tanja Fajon, Malin Björk, Marietje Schaake, Ian Duncan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 79

Motion for a resolution

79. Positively notes that in the new Action Plan the VP/HR reiterated the EU's commitment to empowering local actors and civil society organisations, and stresses that, given the significant shrinking of its space, civil society, and in particular human rights defenders, requires increased attention and efforts from the EU; urges the EU and its Member States, therefore, to elaborate a coherent and comprehensive response to the major challenges that civil society, including human rights defenders, faces worldwide;

Amendment

79. Positively notes that in the new Action Plan the VP/HR reiterated the EU's commitment to empowering local actors and civil society organisations, and stresses that, given the significant shrinking of its space, civil society, and in particular human rights defenders ***working on women's rights and the rights of LGBTI people***, requires increased attention and efforts from the EU; urges the EU and its Member States, therefore, to elaborate a coherent and comprehensive response to the major challenges that civil society, including human rights defenders, faces worldwide;

Or. en

Amendment 398

László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 79

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 399
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 79 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

79a. Deplores that persecution and marginalisation of human rights defenders remains a widespread tendency all over the world, particularly in countries that do not accept the universality of human rights;

Or. en

Amendment 400
Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 80

Motion for a resolution

80. Calls on the EU and its Member States to constantly monitor and raise cases of violations of freedom of assembly and association, including through various forms of bans and limitations on civil society organisations and their activities;

Amendment

80. Calls on the EU and its Member States to constantly monitor and raise, ***at every level of political dialogue***, cases of violations of freedom of assembly and association, including through various forms of bans and limitations on civil society organisations and their activities;

Or. nl

Amendment 401

Dennis de Jong, Peter van Dalen, Miltiadis Kyrkos, Marian Harkin, Lars Adaktusson, Margrete Auken

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 80

Motion for a resolution

80. Calls on the EU and its Member States to constantly monitor and raise cases of violations of freedom of assembly and association, including through various forms of bans and limitations on civil society organisations and their activities;

Amendment

80. Calls on the EU and its Member States to constantly monitor and raise cases of violations of freedom of assembly and association, including through various forms of bans and limitations on civil society organisations and their activities ***and of unlawful damages to assembly sites such as properties used for religion or civil assembly***;

Or. en

Amendment 402

Ulrike Lunacek, Daniele Viotti, Sophia in 't Veld, Sirpa Pietikäinen, Tanja Fajon, Malin Björk, Marietje Schaake, Ian Duncan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 80

Motion for a resolution

80. Calls on the EU and its Member States to constantly monitor and raise cases of violations of freedom of assembly and association, including through various forms of bans and limitations on civil society organisations and their activities;

Amendment

80. Calls on the EU and its Member States to constantly monitor and raise cases of violations of freedom of assembly and association, including through various forms of bans and limitations on civil society organisations and their activities; ***points out that this happens in Russia through the 'Foreign Agents law' and 'Undesirable Organizations Law'; notes that these legal restrictions aim to demonise and marginalise independent civil society and human rights activism; is deeply concerned that over 100 NGOs have faced or are facing court cases, or have been forced to register as a foreign agent; regrets that other countries follow the Russian example, including Azerbaijan, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan and Tajikistan, where authorities have imposed or are seeking to impose legal restrictions, and encourages close monitoring of these countries; finds it regrettable that there are cases of shrinking space for civil society within the EU as well; stresses the importance that the EU should lead by example in protecting these rights;***

Or. en

Amendment 403

Ulrike Lunacek, Sirpa Pietikäinen, Tanja Fajon, Malin Björk, Ian Duncan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 80 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

80a. Notes with concern that intimidation of civil society occurs through other means too, including public accusations by government officials against NGOs and extraordinary audits, as witnessed in Hungary; regrets that the Hungarian

government specifically targeted NGOs working on human rights, particularly on women's rights, LGBTI rights and on anti-corruption; calls on the Hungarian authorities to stop intimidation of civil society and fully respect the right to freedom of association;

Or. en

Amendment 404

Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 81

Motion for a resolution

81. Calls also on the EU and its Member States to use all available means, such as human rights dialogues, political dialogues and public diplomacy, to systematically raise individual cases of human rights defenders and civil society activists at risk, particularly those concerning persons that are imprisoned; encourages the EU Delegations and the Member States' diplomatic staff to continue to actively support human rights defenders, by systematically monitoring trials, visiting detained activists and issuing statements on individual cases, where appropriate; highlights also the importance of silent diplomacy tools when defending human rights defenders;

Amendment

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Or. nl

Amendment 405

Barbara Lochbihler

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 406
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 81

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Or. en

Amendment 407
Dita Charanzová

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 82

Motion for a resolution

82. Positively notes the EU's assistance to human rights defenders and civil society around the world through European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) funding; emphasises the particular importance of using the EIDHR for protecting those human rights defenders most at risk; stresses also that support for human rights defenders at risk should primarily take into account the effectiveness criteria and avoid overly prescriptive conditions; calls on the Commission, the EEAS and the EU Delegations to ensure that the funding available for human rights defenders is properly used;

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Or. en

Amendment 408
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution
Subheading (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

***Enhancing the European Parliament's
action on human rights***

Or. en

Amendment 409

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 82 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

***82a. Welcomes the review of the
Guidelines for the European Parliament's
Interparliamentary Delegations on
promoting human rights and democracy,
conducted by the Conference of
Delegation Chairs, in cooperation with
the Subcommittee on Human Rights;
recommends, in this context, a more
systematic and transparent practice of
raising human rights issues, especially the
individual cases referred to in
Parliament's resolutions, during
delegation visits to third countries, and of
reporting in writing to the Subcommittee
on Human Rights on actions taken and,
where politically warranted, through a
specific debriefing session;***

Or. en

Amendment 410

Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 82 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

82b. Emphasises the need for continued

reflection regarding the most appropriate ways to maximise the credibility, visibility and effectiveness of Parliament's Resolutions on breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law;

Or. en

Amendment 411
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 82 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

82c. Encourages discussion on the inclusion of the different tools available to Parliament regarding support for and promotion of human rights in a single strategy document, to be adopted by Parliament in plenary;

Or. en

Amendment 412
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Subheading

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Supporting *free and fair* electoral processes and *respect for the* rule of law, *the* independence of the judiciary and impartial administration

Supporting electoral processes and *enhancing* rule of law, independence of the judiciary and impartial administration *in third countries*

Or. en

Amendment 413
Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 87

Motion for a resolution

87. Welcomes the commitment made by the Commission, the EEAS and the Member States in the new Action Plan on Human Rights and Democracy to engage more firmly and consistently with election management bodies, parliamentary institutions and civil society organisations in third countries, in order to contribute to their empowerment and, therefore, to the strengthening of democratic processes;

Amendment

87. Welcomes the commitment made by the Commission, the EEAS and the Member States in the new Action Plan on Human Rights and Democracy to engage more firmly and consistently with election management bodies, parliamentary institutions, ***local NGOs, human rights defenders*** and civil society organisations in third countries, in order to ***involve them more intensively in monitoring elections*** and contribute to their empowerment and, therefore, to the strengthening of democratic processes;

Or. nl

Amendment 414
Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 88

Motion for a resolution

88. Recalls that the experience gained and the lessons learned from transitions to democracy in the framework of the enlargement and neighbourhood policies could positively contribute to the identification of best practices that could be used to support and consolidate other democratisation processes worldwide;

Amendment

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Or. nl

Amendment 415
Pier Antonio Panzeri, Soraya Post

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 88 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

88a. Calls on the Commission to develop innovative financial mechanisms for implementing fiscal reforms and strengthening the fight against corruption, illicit financial flows and tax evasion; encourages, in this context, consideration of public-private partnerships, the blending of grants and loans, and help for developing countries to better mobilise their domestic resources; notes a call for an international tax on financial transactions that could act as an additional source of funding for development, and reminds the Member States that they have already agreed to introduce a domestic financial transaction tax and undertaken to set aside a share of the funds raised to finance global public assets, including development;

Or. en

Amendment 416
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 90

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

90. Expresses its view that the EU should emphasise in all platforms of dialogue with third countries the importance of integrity, accountability and proper management of public affairs, public finances and public property, as stipulated in the UNCAC; recommends that the EU support third countries more consistently and systematically in tackling corruption through expertise and support in setting up and consolidating independent and

90. Expresses its view that the EU should emphasise in all platforms of dialogue with third countries the importance of integrity, accountability and proper management of public affairs, public finances and public property, as stipulated in the UNCAC; recommends that the EU support third countries more consistently and systematically in tackling corruption through expertise and support in setting up and consolidating independent and

effective anti-corruption institutions;

effective anti-corruption institutions, *and also by promoting greater budget transparency and accessibility;*

Or. en

Amendment 417
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 90 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

90a. Calls on the EU to pro-actively work with the private sector to help them challenge corrupt practices;

Or. en

Amendment 418
Monica Macovei

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 90 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

90b. Is of the opinion that political and administrative corruption, fraud, and abuse of office lead to a deficit of accountability and increase the risk of authoritarian regimes. In addition, they divert the money from education, better health services, and infrastructure, thus perpetuating poverty;

Or. en

Amendment 419
Monica Macovei

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 90 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

90c. Regrets that there has been again no follow-up on Parliament's request to the VP/HR to present an EU Action Plan against corruption in order to monitor the UNCAC recommendations, including the obligation of the states to publish and disseminate information of corruption and strict limits on immunities for public officials, and to create a proper legal framework for the protection of witnesses and for civil society activities in this area;

Or. en

Amendment 420
Monica Macovei

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 90 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

90d. Calls for the introduction of an anti-corruption clause into public procurement contracts as recommended by OECD;

Or. en