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Amendment 1
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Citation 2

Motion for a resolution

— having regard to the Presidency conclusions of the Thessaloniki European Council of 19-20 June 2003 concerning the prospect of the Western Balkan countries joining the EU,

Amendment

— having regard to the Presidency conclusions of the Thessaloniki European Council of 19-20 June 2003 concerning the ***decision on the*** prospect of the Western Balkan countries joining the EU,

Or. el

Amendment 2
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Citation 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- ***having regard to the General Affairs Council conclusions of 13 December 2016,***

Or. en

Amendment 3
David McAllister

Motion for a resolution
Citation 9 a (new)

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Amendment

- ***having regard to the Presidency conclusions of 13 December 2016,***

Or. en

Amendment 4

Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

- *having regard to the OCSE report
Monitoring of Administrative Trials 2015,*

Or. en

Amendment 5

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Citation 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to Protocol (No 1)
of the Treaty on the Functioning of the
European Union (TFEU) on the role of
National Parliaments in the European
Union,*

Or. el

Amendment 6

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Citation 11 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to Protocol (No 2)
of the Treaty on the Functioning of the
European Union (TFEU) on the
application of the principles of
Subsidiarity and Proportionality,*

Or. el

Amendment 7

Monica Macovei

Motion for a resolution

Citation 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- ***having regard to the 2016 National Integrity System (NIS) published by Transparency International,***

Or. en

Amendment 8

Monica Macovei

Motion for a resolution

Citation 12 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- ***having regard to the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development Life in Transition survey,***

Or. en

Amendment 9

Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A. whereas Albania has made steady progress in ***its EU accession process***; whereas further implementation of, inter alia, the judicial reform package, electoral reform and the so-called decriminalisation law ***is important*** in strengthening citizens' trust in their public institutions and political representatives;

A. whereas Albania has made ***progress towards meeting the political criteria for membership and*** steady progress in ***the five key priorities for the opening of accession negotiations***; whereas further implementation of, inter alia, the judicial reform package, electoral reform and the so-called decriminalisation law ***are indispensable*** in strengthening citizens' trust in their public institutions and political representatives;

Amendment 10

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas ***Albania has made steady progress in its EU accession process;*** ***whereas*** further implementation of, inter alia, the judicial reform package, electoral reform and the so-called decriminalisation law is important in strengthening citizens' trust in their public institutions and political representatives;

Amendment

A. whereas further implementation of, inter alia, the judicial reform package, electoral reform and the so-called decriminalisation law is important in strengthening citizens' trust in their public institutions and political representatives;

Or. el

Amendment 11

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš, Nedzhmi Ali, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas Albania has made steady progress in its EU accession process; whereas further implementation of, inter alia, the judicial reform package, electoral reform and the so-called decriminalisation law is important in strengthening citizens' trust in their public institutions and political representatives;

Amendment

A. whereas Albania has made steady ***and constant*** progress in its EU accession process; whereas further implementation of, inter alia, the judicial reform package, ***in particular the vetting law***, electoral reform and the so-called decriminalisation law is important in strengthening citizens' trust in their public institutions and political representatives;

Or. en

Amendment 12

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas Albania has made steady progress in its EU accession process; whereas further implementation of, inter alia, the judicial reform package, electoral reform and the so-called decriminalisation law is important in strengthening citizens' trust in their public institutions and political representatives;

Amendment

A. whereas Albania has **not** made steady **or satisfactory** progress in its EU accession process; whereas further implementation of, inter alia, the judicial reform package, electoral reform and the so-called decriminalisation law is important in strengthening citizens' trust in their public institutions and political representatives;

Or. el

Amendment 13

Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas Albania has made steady progress in its EU accession process; whereas further implementation of, inter alia, the judicial reform package, electoral reform and the so-called decriminalisation law is important in strengthening citizens' trust in their public institutions and political representatives;

Amendment

A. whereas Albania has made steady progress, **on a number of points**, in its EU accession process; whereas further implementation of, inter alia, the judicial reform package, electoral reform and the so-called decriminalisation law is important in strengthening citizens' trust in their public institutions and political representatives;

Or. el

Amendment 14

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Nedzhmi Ali, Jozo Radoš, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution

Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A a. whereas challenges still persist and need to be addressed swiftly and efficiently in a spirit of dialogue, cooperation and compromise between government and opposition in order to make further progress on its path to EU accession;

Or. en

**Amendment 15
Manolis Kefalogiannis**

**Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A a. whereas (potential) candidate countries are judged on their own merits and the quality of the necessary reforms determines the timetable for accession;

Or. en

**Amendment 16
Manolis Kefalogiannis**

**Motion for a resolution
Recital B**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. whereas accession *negotiations are* a powerful incentive for adopting and implementing accession-related reforms;

B. whereas candidate status brings greater responsibilities for Albania to deliver on the reform agenda (in line with EU Common Positions for SA Councils); whereas the EU accession process is a powerful incentive for adopting and implementing accession-related reforms; whereas challenges still persist and need to be addressed swiftly and efficiently in order to make further progress on its path to EU accession;

Or. en

Amendment 17
Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B a. whereas the protection of religious freedom, cultural heritage, the rights of minorities and the administration of property are among the fundamental values of the European Union;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Manolis Kefalogiannis

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B a. whereas the protection of religious freedom, cultural heritage and the administration of property in accordance with the rule of law are fundamental values of the European Union;

Or. en

Amendment 19
Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Nedzhmi Ali, Jozo Radoš, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B a. whereas the EU has highlighted the need to strengthen economic governance, the rule of law and public

*administration capacities in all of the
Western Balkan countries;*

Or. en

Amendment 20
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

*B a. whereas judicial reform remained
key for moving forward with Albania's
EU accession process;*

Or. en

Amendment 21
Marielle de Sarnez

Motion for a resolution
Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

*Ba. having regard to the Commission's
undertaking to put enlargement on hold;*

Or. fr

Amendment 22
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Recital B b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

*B b. whereas constructive and
sustainable political dialogue between
political forces on EU-related reforms is
essential for making further progress in
the EU accession process;*

Amendment 23

Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Recital B c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B c. whereas there is a political consensus and wide public support for the EU accession process in Albania;

Or. en

Amendment 24

Stelios Kouloglou

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

C. whereas presidential and parliamentary elections will take place in Albania in 2017;

C. whereas the EU accession process and the accession negotiations are powerful incentives for adopting and implementing accession-related reforms; whereas candidate status brings greater responsibilities for the accession countries to deliver on the reform agenda; whereas challenges in Albania still persist and need to be addressed swiftly and efficiently in order to make further progress on its path to EU accession (see 2015, 2016 Resolutions);

Or. en

Amendment 25

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Recital F

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas presidential and parliamentary elections **will** take place in Albania in 2017;

Amendment

C. whereas presidential and parliamentary elections **are planned to** take place in Albania in 2017;

Or. el

Amendment 26
Louis Michel

Motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. having regard to the positive approach of the Albanian authorities to regional cooperation to promote the development of infrastructure, measures to combat terrorism, trade and youth mobility;

Or. fr

Amendment 27
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

C a. whereas (potential) candidate countries are judged on their own merits, and whereas the speed and quality of the necessary reforms determines the timetable for accession;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

deleted

Or. el

Amendment 29 James Carver

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on *EU-related* reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; *stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;*

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform;

Or. en

Amendment 30 David McAllister

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1. Welcomes *Albania's continuous*

1. Welcomes *the major step Albania*

progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

has taken through the constitutional amendments unanimously adopted in July 2016, by launching a process for thorough and comprehensive reform of the judicial system; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

Or. en

Amendment 31
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. *Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform*; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

Amendment

1. *Is concerned at the very slow progress of EU-related reforms in Albania, such as the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform*; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

Or. el

Amendment 32
Marielle de Sarnez

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses

Amendment

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that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential *in order to further advance the EU accession process*;

that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential;

Or. fr

Amendment 33
Manolis Kefalogiannis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

Amendment

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms *on all five key priorities* and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process; *encourages Albania to establish a solid track record with regard to such reforms*;

Or. en

Amendment 34
Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms

Amendment

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform, *which has been reflected in the ousting of elected representatives with criminal records*;

and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

Or. fr

Amendment 35
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

Amendment

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment **as well as exclusion of criminal offenders from public offices**, are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU

Amendment

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms **on all five key priorities** and sustained political commitment are essential in order

accession process;

to further advance the EU accession process;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

Amendment

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the **consensual** adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

Or. en

Amendment 38
Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Nedzhmi Ali, Jozo Radoš, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

Amendment

1. Welcomes Albania's continuous progress on EU-related reforms, in particular the adoption of constitutional amendments paving the way for a **deep and** comprehensive judicial reform; stresses that not only consistent adoption but also full and timely implementation of reforms and sustained political commitment are essential in order to further advance the EU accession process;

Amendment 39

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Fully supports Albania's accession to the EU, and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible progress in the implementation of judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities; *deleted*

Or. el

Amendment 40

James Carver

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Fully supports Albania's accession to the EU, and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible progress in the implementation of judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities; *deleted*

Or. en

Amendment 41

Marielle de Sarnez

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Fully supports *Albania's accession to the EU, and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible progress in* the implementation of judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Amendment

2. Fully supports the implementation of judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Or. fr

Amendment 42
Manolis Kefalogiannis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Fully supports Albania's accession to the EU, *and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible progress in the implementation of judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum*; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to *maintain* the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Amendment

2. Fully supports Albania's accession to the EU *and recalls that a sustained, comprehensive and inclusive implementation of all five key priorities has to be ensured before the opening of accession negotiations*; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to *accelerate* the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Or. en

Amendment 43
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. *Fully supports* Albania's accession to the EU, and calls for the accession

Amendment

2. *Supports* Albania's *potential* accession to the EU *should it meet the*

negotiations to be *opened as soon as* there is credible progress in the implementation of judicial reform, *in order to keep the reform momentum*; expects Albania to consolidate *the* progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress *on* implementation of all key priorities;

criteria, and calls for the *possibility of opening* accession negotiations to be *reconsidered when* there is credible progress in the implementation of judicial reform *and only when fundamental rights, such as the right of the Greek minority to property, are safeguarded by the spirit of the law*; expects Albania to consolidate *whatever* progress *is* achieved and *at least* to maintain the pace of progress *in the* implementation of all key priorities;

Or. el

Amendment 44 **Raffaele Fitto**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 2**

Motion for a resolution

2. Fully supports Albania's accession to the EU, and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as *there is credible progress in the implementation of* judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Amendment

2. Fully supports Albania's accession to the EU, and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as *possible in conjunction with the achievement of credible progress in* judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Or. it

Amendment 45 **Georgios Epitideios**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 2**

Motion for a resolution

2. *Fully supports* Albania's accession to the EU, *and* calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible progress in the implementation

Amendment

2. *Supports in principle* Albania's accession to the EU, *but* calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible progress *above all*

of judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

in the implementation of judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Or. en

Amendment 46 **Eduard Kukan**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 2**

Motion for a resolution

2. **Fully** supports Albania's accession to the EU, and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible progress in the implementation of judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Amendment

2. **Welcomes the Commission's recommendation for opening accession negotiations with Albania;** fully supports Albania's accession to the EU, and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible progress in the implementation of **comprehensive** judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Or. en

Amendment 47

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Nedzhmi Ali, Jozo Radoš, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 2**

Motion for a resolution

2. Fully supports Albania's accession to the EU, and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible progress in the implementation of judicial reform, in order to keep the

Amendment

2. Fully supports Albania's accession to the EU, and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible **and sustainable** progress in the implementation of judicial reform, **fight**

reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

against organized crime and corruption in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Or. en

Amendment 48
Daniel Caspary

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Fully supports Albania's accession to the EU, and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible progress in the implementation of judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Amendment

2. Fully supports Albania's accession to the EU, ***but not unconditionally***, and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible progress in the implementation of judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Or. de

Amendment 49
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

2 a. Fully supports Albania's accession to the EU, and calls for the accession negotiations to be opened as soon as there is credible progress in the implementation of judicial reform, in order to keep the reform momentum; expects Albania to consolidate the progress achieved and to maintain the pace of progress on implementation of all key priorities;

Amendment

Amendment 50
Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2 a. Recommends the authorities to speed up the construction of major infrastructure projects such as the rail link and modern highway between Tirana and Skopje as part of Corridor VIII;

Or. en

Amendment 51
Marielle de Sarnez

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Reiterates that a constructive dialogue, sustainable political cooperation and a willingness to compromise is crucial for the success of the reforms and for **the entire EU accession process**;

3. Reiterates that a constructive dialogue, sustainable political cooperation and a willingness to compromise is crucial for the success of the reforms and for **a privileged partnership with the EU**;

Or. fr

Amendment 52
Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš, Nedzhmi Ali, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Reiterates that a constructive dialogue, sustainable political cooperation
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3. Reiterates that a constructive dialogue, sustainable political cooperation
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and a willingness to compromise is crucial for the success of the reforms **and for** the entire EU accession process;

and a willingness to compromise is crucial for the success of the reforms; ***underlines that lack of political cooperation and polarisation undermine*** the entire EU accession process;

Or. en

Amendment 53
Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Reiterates that a constructive dialogue, sustainable political cooperation and a willingness to compromise is crucial for the success of the reforms and for the entire EU accession process;

Amendment

3. Reiterates that a constructive dialogue, sustainable political cooperation ***based on mutual confidence***, and a willingness to compromise is crucial for the success of the reforms and for the entire EU accession process;

Or. fr

Amendment 54
Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Reiterates that a constructive dialogue, sustainable political cooperation and a willingness to compromise is crucial for the success of the reforms and for the entire EU accession process;

Amendment

3. Reiterates that a constructive dialogue, sustainable political cooperation and a willingness to compromise is crucial for the success of the reforms and for the entire EU accession process; ***calls on all political parties, therefore, to make further efforts to bring about genuine political dialogue and work in constructive cooperation, thereby supporting the reform process;***

Or. hr

Amendment 55
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Reiterates that a constructive dialogue, sustainable political cooperation and a willingness to compromise is crucial for the success of the reforms and for the entire EU accession process;

Amendment

3. Reiterates that a constructive dialogue, sustainable political cooperation and a willingness to compromise is crucial for the success of the reforms and for the entire EU accession process; **welcomes in this regard the adoption of the legislation for the exclusion of criminal offenders from public offices;**

Or. en

Amendment 56
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Reiterates that a constructive dialogue, sustainable political cooperation and a willingness to compromise is crucial for the success of the reforms and for the entire EU accession process;

Amendment

3. Reiterates that a constructive dialogue, sustainable political cooperation and a willingness to compromise is crucial for the success of the reforms and for the entire EU accession process, **conditions which in the present case are not yet met;**

Or. el

Amendment 57
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform **and the** adoption of laws on

Amendment

4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform **as well as** adoption of laws

the institutional *reorganisation* of the judiciary; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, *in particular* the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; *notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality*; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's citizens *for re-establishing* trust in *their* political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform;

on the institutional *re-organisation* of the judiciary; *welcomes the Venice Commission's amicus curiae followed by the Constitutional Court's ruling concerning the vetting law*, calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, *especially* the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors *and package of draft laws needed for the implementation of the justice system reform*; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's citizens *to re-establish* trust in political representatives and public institutions and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform;

Or. en

Amendment 58 Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. *Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary*; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; *notes* that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is *a major demand by Albania's citizens for re-*

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4. *Calls* for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; *stresses* that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is *essential*, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and

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establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform;

judicial reform;

Or. el

Amendment 59 **Knut Fleckenstein**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 4**

Motion for a resolution

4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes *that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the* opinion of the Venice Commission *on its constitutionality*; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform;

Amendment

4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes *the ruling by the Constitutional Court on the constitutionality of the vetting law following a positive* opinion by the Venice Commission; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform;

Or. en

Amendment 60 **Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Nedzhmi Ali, Jozo Radoš, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake**

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, **and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform;**

Amendment

4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary **in close cooperation with the Venice Commission;** calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors **as an important instrument to fight corruption in Albania;** notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions;

Or. en

Amendment 61
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. **Commends** the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation

Amendment

4. **Ascertains** the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation

(vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is *a* major **demand** by Albania's citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption *and organised crime*, depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform;

(vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is *one of the* major **demands** by Albania's citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against *against organised crime, human trafficking, arms trafficking*, corruption *in the judiciary and across the whole spectrum of public administration and the the state apparatus, the febleness of law enforcement and structural weaknesses in the governance system*, all depend *in principle* on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform;

Or. el

Amendment 62 **Manolis Kefalogiannis**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 4**

Motion for a resolution

4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's

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4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary; calls for the swift adoption and **credible** implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's

citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform;

citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, *also* depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform; *recalls that adopting and implementing such a reform is essential to the entrenchment of the rule of law, as well as to enhance the enforcement of fundamental rights in the country, also with a view to increase trust in the judicial system amongst all citizens throughout Albania, including persons belonging to minorities;*

Or. en

Amendment 63 **Angel Dzhambazki**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 4**

Motion for a resolution

4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of

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4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary, *the prosecution office and the Constitutional Court; welcomes the creation of specialised institutions for the fight against organised crime and anti-corruption*; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public

the vetting process and judicial reform;

institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform;

Or. en

Amendment 64
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform;

Amendment

4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform; ***regrets, however, that the administration of justice continued to be slow and insufficient, and that corruption remained prevalent across the sector;***

Or. en

Amendment 65

Kati Piri

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4**

Motion for a resolution

4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and judicial reform;

Amendment

4. Commends the consensual adoption of the constitutional amendments for judicial reform and the adoption of laws on the institutional reorganisation of the judiciary ***and the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office***; calls for the swift adoption and implementation of all relevant accompanying laws and by-laws, in particular the law on the re-evaluation (vetting) of judges, prosecutors and legal advisors; notes that the application of the vetting law has been suspended by the Constitutional Court, and that the latter has requested the opinion of the Venice Commission on its constitutionality; reiterates that a comprehensive judicial reform is a major demand by Albania's citizens for re-establishing trust in their political representatives and public institutions, and that the credibility and effectiveness of the overall reform process, including the fight against corruption and organised crime, depend on the success of the vetting process and ***the implementation of the*** judicial reform;

Or. en

**Amendment 66
Takis Hadjigeorgiou**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4 a. Notes that the independence of the judiciary, while granted through the constitution; needs to be strengthened in practice; notes that it is undermined by high level of corruption and high politicisation of High Court and

Amendment 67

Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Caterina Chinnici, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Brando Benifei, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

Amendment

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, ***inequitable access to justice for children, women in vulnerable situations and ethnic minorities***, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements; ***reiterates that a reform of the criminal justice system should aim at holding offenders accountable and promoting, particularly for juveniles, their rehabilitation and reintegration, while ensuring the protection of rights of victims and witnesses of crime;***

Amendment 68

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as

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well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, *interventions in the work of the courts, the inability of judges to administer the laws, the shamefully small number of staff in key points of the judicial system, the lack of fully adequate equipment and systems for recording and archiving judicial proceedings, the lack of effective decision-making process in courts* and the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

Or. el

Amendment 69 **Notis Marias**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 5**

Motion for a resolution

5. *Welcomes* the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

Amendment

5. *Notes* the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

Or. el

Amendment 70

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Nedzhmi Ali, Jozo Radoš, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

Amendment

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; ***stresses that administration of justice continue to be slow and inefficient; notes the lack of progress in the filling of vacancies at the High Court and the administrative courts and the effective use of the unified case management system;*** calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

Or. en

Amendment 71
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

Amendment

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements; ***calls on further engagement in the area of administrative justice, addressing issues such effective access to the courts and allocating resources to enable efficient***

work of these courts;

Or. en

Amendment 72
David McAllister

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

Amendment

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan ***aimed at increased professionalism, efficiency and independence of the judicial system, including the court system and the re-evaluation of all the members of the judiciary***, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

Or. en

Amendment 73
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited

Amendment

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; ***regrets that political interference in investigations and court cases is regularly reported***; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed,

accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

including lack of independence from ***political influence and*** other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, ***corporatism and*** corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

Or. en

Amendment 74
Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

Amendment

5. Welcomes the new justice reform strategy 2017-2020 and its action plan, as well as the increased budgetary means for implementation; calls for any shortcomings in the functioning of the judicial system to be further addressed, including lack of independence from other branches of power, selective justice, limited accountability, ineffective oversight mechanisms, corruption, ***clientelism***, the overall length of judicial proceedings and enforcements;

Or. fr

Amendment 75
Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

5a. Expresses its concern about the excessively large prison population and the inadequacy of medical care in places of detention, as well as the maltreatment of suspects at police stations;

Amendment 76
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code while addressing all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation in due time before the upcoming parliamentary elections of June 2017; recalls that all political parties ***are responsible for ensuring that*** democratic elections ***are conducted*** in compliance with international standards; ***calls on Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists;***

Amendment

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise ***swiftly*** its review of the electoral code while addressing all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations ***and strengthening transparency of the party financing and integrity of the electoral processes;*** calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation in due time before the upcoming parliamentary elections of June 2017; recalls that all political parties ***have responsibility for the conduct of*** democratic elections in compliance with international standards; ***recalls that free and fair elections are crucial for progressing in the EU integration process;***

Or. en

Amendment 77

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Nedzhmi Ali, Jozo Radoš, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code while addressing all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation in due time before the upcoming parliamentary elections of June 2017; ***recalls that*** all

Amendment

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code while addressing all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation in due time before the upcoming parliamentary elections of June 2017 ***in order to address***

political *parties are responsible for ensuring that* democratic elections *are conducted* in compliance with international standards; calls on Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists;

the lack of impartiality and professionalism in the electoral administration; calls on all political actors that ensuring fair and democratic elections in compliance with international standards *is an important precondition to further advance the EU accession process*; calls on Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists; *calls on the authorities to encourage CSOs to actively participate in the overview of the whole electoral process*;

Or. en

Amendment 78 **Notis Marias**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 6**

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code *while addressing* all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation *in due time before* the upcoming parliamentary elections of June 2017; recalls that all political parties are responsible for ensuring that democratic elections are conducted in compliance with international standards; *calls on* Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists;

Amendment

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code, *taking into account* all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation *forthwith and not to play for time until* the upcoming parliamentary elections of June 2017; recalls that all political parties are responsible for ensuring that democratic elections are conducted in compliance with international standards; *urges* Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists;

Or. el

Amendment 79 **Eleftherios Synadinos**

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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code while addressing all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation in due time before the upcoming parliamentary elections of June 2017; recalls that all political parties are responsible for ensuring that democratic elections are conducted in compliance with international standards; calls on Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists;

Amendment

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code while addressing all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations ***and the spirit of the European Parliament and Commission reports***; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation in due time before the upcoming parliamentary elections of June 2017; recalls that all political parties are responsible for ensuring that democratic elections are conducted in compliance with international standards ***and above all without the partisan composition of committees, without undue or disproportionate restrictions and interventions that negatively affect the electoral climate and without procedural irregularities or omissions before and during the voting, the counting and recording of votes***; calls on Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists;

Or. el

Amendment 80
Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code while addressing all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation in due time before the upcoming parliamentary

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6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code while addressing all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation in due time before the upcoming parliamentary

elections of June 2017; recalls that all political parties are responsible for ensuring that democratic elections are conducted in compliance with international standards; calls on Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists;

elections of June 2017; recalls that all political parties are responsible for ensuring that democratic elections are conducted in compliance with international standards; calls on Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists; ***deplores the pattern of violence and rigging that has characterised each and every election to date, in particular as regards the participation of candidates from minority communities. stresses that all citizens belonging to any minority are entitled to freely exercise their right to vote without restrictions and calls on the EU to guarantee that right;***

Or. el

Amendment 81
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code while addressing all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation in due time before the upcoming parliamentary elections of June 2017; recalls that all political parties are responsible for ensuring that democratic elections are conducted in compliance with international standards; calls on Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists;

Amendment

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code while addressing all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation in due time before the upcoming parliamentary elections of June 2017; recalls that ***in previous elections group voting and procedural irregularities were noted by international observers;*** recalls that all political parties are responsible for ensuring that democratic elections are conducted in compliance with international standards; calls on Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists;

Amendment 82
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code while addressing all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation in due time before the upcoming parliamentary elections of June 2017; recalls that all political parties are responsible for ensuring that democratic elections are conducted in compliance with international standards; calls on Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists;

Amendment

6. Calls on the Ad-Hoc Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reform to finalise its review of the electoral code while addressing all previous OSCE/ODIHR recommendations; calls on the competent authorities to ensure implementation in due time before the upcoming parliamentary elections of June 2017 ***and ensure independence and de-politicisation of the electoral administration***; recalls that all political parties are responsible for ensuring that democratic elections are conducted in compliance with international standards; calls on Albania's political parties to respect the law, in spirit and in letter, on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office when drawing up their candidate lists;

Or. en

Amendment 83

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Hilde Vautmans, Nedzhmi Ali, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmaz Paet

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6 a. Stresses the fact that around 2 million citizens of Albania living abroad are not able to cast their vote in the upcoming elections which is a basic constitutional right; calls on authorities to make further efforts that allows for the adoption and implementation of the

necessary reforms in order to provide voting right for Albanians who live abroad;

Or. en

Amendment 84
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6 a. *Calls on Albania's political parties to respect the law on the exclusion of criminal offenders from public office in spirit and in letter when drawing their candidates lists; calls on the full implementation and enforcement this law;*

Or. en

Amendment 85
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7. *Welcomes improved transparency and inclusivity of parliamentary activities, but calls for parliamentary capacities to be enhanced in order to monitor the implementation of reforms and their compliance with EU standards and to make better use of the various oversight mechanisms and institutions in order to hold the government to account; calls for the parliamentary code of ethics to be approved and for the rules of procedure to reflect the law on the role of parliament in the EU integration process; offers to explore ways for closer cooperation with the Parliament of Albania *within the**

7. *Stresses the need to increase the transparency of parliamentary activities, but calls for parliamentary capacities to be enhanced in order to monitor the implementation of reforms and their compliance with EU standards and to make better use of the various oversight mechanisms and institutions in order to hold the government to account; calls for the parliamentary code of ethics to be approved and for the rules of procedure to reflect the law on the role of parliament in the EU integration process; offers to explore ways for closer cooperation with the Parliament of Albania in order to*

framework of the European Parliament support programme for parliaments of the enlargement countries in order to enhance its capacity to produce quality legislation in line with the EU acquis and to exercise its oversight role in the implementation of reforms;

enhance its capacity to produce quality legislation in line with the EU acquis and to exercise its oversight role in the implementation of reforms;

Or. el

Amendment 86
Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. **Welcomes improved** transparency and inclusivity of parliamentary activities, **but** calls for parliamentary capacities to be enhanced in order to monitor the implementation of reforms and their compliance with EU standards and to make better use of the various oversight mechanisms and institutions in order to hold the government to account; calls for the parliamentary code of ethics to be approved and for the rules of procedure to reflect the law on the role of parliament in the EU integration process; offers to explore ways for closer cooperation with the Parliament of Albania within the framework of the European Parliament support programme for parliaments of the enlargement countries in order to enhance its capacity to produce quality legislation in line with the EU acquis and to exercise its oversight role in the implementation of reforms;

Amendment

7. **Within the framework of the** transparency and inclusivity of parliamentary activities, calls for parliamentary capacities to be enhanced in order to monitor the implementation of reforms and their compliance with EU standards and to make better use of the various oversight mechanisms and institutions in order to hold the government to account; calls for the parliamentary code of ethics to be approved and for the rules of procedure to reflect the law on the role of parliament in the EU integration process; offers to explore ways for closer cooperation with the Parliament of Albania within the framework of the European Parliament support programme for parliaments of the enlargement countries in order to enhance its capacity to produce quality legislation in line with the EU acquis and to exercise its oversight role in the implementation of reforms;

Or. el

Amendment 87
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

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Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Welcomes improved transparency and inclusivity of parliamentary activities, but calls for parliamentary capacities to be enhanced in order to monitor the implementation of reforms and their compliance with EU standards and to make better use of the various oversight mechanisms and institutions in order to hold the government to account; calls for the parliamentary code of ethics to be approved and for the rules of procedure to reflect the law on the role of parliament in the EU integration process; offers to explore ways for closer cooperation with the Parliament of Albania within the framework of the European Parliament support programme for parliaments of the enlargement countries in order to enhance its capacity to produce quality legislation in line with the EU acquis and to exercise its oversight role in the implementation of reforms;

Amendment

7. Welcomes ***the apparently*** improved transparency and inclusivity of parliamentary activities, but calls for parliamentary capacities to be enhanced in order to monitor the implementation of reforms and their compliance with EU standards and to make better use of the various oversight mechanisms and institutions in order to hold the government ***officially*** to account; calls for the parliamentary code of ethics to be approved and for the rules of procedure to reflect the law on the role of parliament in the EU integration process ***along with the publication of the code and the rules as part of measures to ensure unbiased and merit-based procedures***; offers to explore ways for closer cooperation with the Parliament of Albania within the framework of the European Parliament support programme for parliaments of the enlargement countries in order to enhance its capacity to produce quality legislation in line with the EU acquis and to exercise its oversight role in the implementation of reforms;

Or. el

Amendment 88 **Eduard Kukan**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 7**

Motion for a resolution

7. Welcomes improved transparency and inclusivity of parliamentary activities, but calls for parliamentary capacities to be enhanced in order to monitor the implementation of reforms and their compliance with EU standards and to make better use of the various oversight mechanisms and institutions in order to

Amendment

7. Welcomes improved transparency and inclusivity of parliamentary activities ***and calls for the observance of the rule of procedures***, but calls for parliamentary capacities to be enhanced in order to monitor the implementation of reforms and their compliance with EU standards and to make better use of the various oversight

hold the government to account; calls for the parliamentary code of ethics to be approved and for the rules of procedure to reflect the law on the role of parliament in the EU integration process; offers to explore ways for closer cooperation with the Parliament of Albania within the framework of the European Parliament support programme for parliaments of the enlargement countries in order to enhance its capacity to produce quality legislation in line with the EU acquis and to exercise its oversight role in the implementation of reforms;

mechanisms and institutions in order to hold the government to account; calls for the parliamentary code of ethics to be approved and for the rules of procedure to reflect the law on the role of parliament in the EU integration process; offers to explore ways for closer cooperation with the Parliament of Albania within the framework of the European Parliament support programme for parliaments of the enlargement countries in order to enhance its capacity to produce quality legislation in line with the EU acquis and to exercise its oversight role in the implementation of reforms;

Or. en

Amendment 89
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. ***Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform;*** calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Amendment

8. calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Or. el

Amendment 90
Marielle de Sarnez

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, ***with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations***; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Amendment

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Or. fr

Amendment 91
Knut Fleckenstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the ***Law on*** Administrative Procedures, in order to ***safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies***, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and

Amendment

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the ***Code of*** Administrative Procedures, in order to improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient

human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms; ***stresses the need to safeguard the independence of regulatory and oversight bodies;***

Or. en

Amendment 92
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring ***efficient conduct of*** EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Amendment

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring ***the way to*** EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Or. el

Amendment 93
Kati Piri

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

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Motion for a resolution

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to **ensuring** efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Amendment

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to **consolidate achievements towards a depoliticized and professional public administration, which would also enable an** efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Or. en

Amendment 94
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession

Amendment

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession

negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms; ***reiterates that further progress in the reform of the public administration is key towards a more efficient, depoliticised and professional public administration;***

Or. en

Amendment 95

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš, Nedzhmi Ali, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Amendment

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; ***calls for enhancing the authority, autonomy, efficiency and resources of human rights structures, such as the office of the Ombudsman;*** commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Or. en

Amendment 96
Manolis Kefalogiannis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Amendment

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; ***stresses the need for a more efficient, depoliticised, and professional public administration;*** calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Or. en

Amendment 97
Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in

Amendment

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; ***stresses the need for a more efficient, depoliticized and professional public administration;*** calls for further progress

order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Or. en

Amendment 98
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Amendment

8. Notes the efforts towards a more citizen-friendly public administration and steady progress in the implementation of public administration reform **and the public financial management reform**; calls for further progress in strengthening the application of the Civil Service Law and the Law on Administrative Procedures, in order to safeguard the independence of regulatory bodies, improve recruitment **and promotion** procedures based on merit and performance, and enhance institutional and human resource capacities, with a view to ensuring efficient conduct of EU accession negotiations; commends the National Council for European Integration on its initiatives to enhance the capacities of public administration and civil society in monitoring the implementation of accession-related reforms;

Or. en

Amendment 99

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Petras Auštrevičius, Hilde Vautmans, Nedzhmi Ali, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8 a. Takes notes of the implementation of the territorial reform; stresses that substantial efforts are needed to increase the financial and administrative capacity of the newly created local government units; calls for the establishment of a consultative council between the central and local governments;

Or. en

Amendment 100

Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Recalls that it is important for Albania to continue to develop a competent, transparent, high-quality civil service in order to improve the quality of public services for the population and to continue efforts to conduct the accession negotiations effectively;

Or. fr

Amendment 101

Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, however, that key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, **regulating** lobbying and better **interinstitutional** cooperation, especially between police and **prosecution** services, **with a view to improving their** track record **as regards** investigation, prosecution and conviction, **including in** high level cases; **in view of the** upcoming parliamentary elections, **calls for** effective oversight of political party financing;

Amendment

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, however, that key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; **recalls that corruption remains a serious problem and recognizes that corruption is not merely a financial issue, but a key factor undermining human development, democracy and the rule of law;** stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, **the regulation of** lobbying and better **inter-institutional** cooperation, especially between police and **procurement** services **in order to improve the** track record **on** investigation, prosecution and conviction **also on** high level cases; **with a view to** upcoming parliamentary elections, **urges to establish** effective oversight **and transparency** of political party financing;

Or. en

Amendment 102
Neena Gill

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, however, that key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, regulating lobbying and better interinstitutional cooperation, especially between police and prosecution services, with a view to improving their track record

Amendment

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, however, that key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, regulating lobbying and better interinstitutional cooperation, especially between police and prosecution services, with a view to improving their track record

as regards investigation, prosecution and conviction, including in high level cases; *in view* of the *upcoming parliamentary elections*, calls for effective oversight of political party financing;

as regards investigation, prosecution and conviction, including in high level cases; *underscores the importance of addressing concerns related to political party financing; calls for the introduction of measures to improve oversight and transparency and guarantee the independence* of the *Central Election Commission mandated to manage the audits of political party finances*, calls for effective oversight of political party financing;

Or. en

Amendment 103
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, *however*, that key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, regulating lobbying and better interinstitutional cooperation, especially between police and prosecution services, with a view to improving their track record as regards investigation, prosecution and conviction, including in high level cases; in view of the upcoming parliamentary elections, calls for effective oversight of political party financing;

Amendment

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; *regrets, however, that corruption remains high and prevalent in many areas and continues to pose a serious problem;* is concerned, that key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, regulating lobbying and better interinstitutional cooperation, especially between police and prosecution services, with a view to improving their track record as regards investigation, prosecution and conviction, including in high level cases; in view of the upcoming parliamentary elections, calls for effective oversight of political party financing; *reaffirms that addressing corruption at high level through proactive investigations and systematic risk assessments is key;*

Amendment 104

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Nedzhmi Ali, Jozo Radoš, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 9***Motion for a resolution*

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, however, that key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, regulating lobbying and better interinstitutional cooperation, especially between police and prosecution services, with a view to improving their track record as regards investigation, prosecution and conviction, including in high level cases; in view of the upcoming parliamentary elections, calls for effective oversight of political party financing;

Amendment

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, however, that ***corruption remains prevalent in many areas and*** key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; ***notes that poor interinstitutional cooperation and exchange of information continue to hamper proactive investigation and effective prosecution of corruption;*** stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, regulating lobbying and better interinstitutional cooperation, especially between police and prosecution services, with a view to improving their track record as regards investigation, prosecution and conviction, including in high level cases; in view of the upcoming parliamentary elections, calls for effective oversight of political party financing;

Or. en

Amendment 105

Manolis Kefalogiannis

Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 9***Motion for a resolution**Amendment*

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, however, that key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, regulating lobbying and better interinstitutional cooperation, especially between police and prosecution services, with a view to improving their track record as regards investigation, prosecution and conviction, including in high level cases; in view of the upcoming parliamentary elections, calls for effective oversight of political party financing;

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, however, that key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; ***continues to be concerned about widespread corruption, in many areas particularly in education, healthcare, the judiciary, public procurement, public private partnership concessions, construction and spatial planning, local government and the public service;*** stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, regulating lobbying and better interinstitutional cooperation, especially between police and prosecution services, with a view to improving their track record as regards investigation, prosecution and conviction, including in high level cases; in view of the upcoming parliamentary elections, calls for effective oversight of political party financing;

Or. en

Amendment 106
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, however, that key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, regulating lobbying and better interinstitutional cooperation, especially between police and prosecution services, with a view to improving their track record

Amendment

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, however, that key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, regulating lobbying and better interinstitutional cooperation, especially between police and prosecution services, with a view to improving their track record

as regards investigation, prosecution and conviction, including in high level cases; in view of the upcoming parliamentary elections, calls for effective oversight of political party financing;

as regards investigation, prosecution and conviction, including in high level cases; ***is concerned about the wider cost to the economy, society and institutions caused by the widespread corruption and the failure of anti-corruption bodies which involves, inter alia, a failure to implement decisions properly; particularly*** in view of the upcoming parliamentary elections, calls for effective oversight of political party financing;

Or. el

Amendment 107
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Welcomes the adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, however, that key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, regulating lobbying and better interinstitutional cooperation, especially between police and prosecution services, with a view to improving their track record as regards investigation, prosecution and conviction, including in high level cases; in view of the upcoming parliamentary elections, calls for effective oversight of political party financing;

Amendment

9. Welcomes the ***positive trend in the track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions and the*** adoption of key pieces of anti-corruption legislation, including on the protection of whistle-blowers; is concerned, however, that ***corruption remains prevalent and that*** key anti-corruption institutions continue to be subject to political interference and have limited administrative capacities; stresses the need for a more adequate legal framework for conflicts of interest, regulating lobbying and better interinstitutional cooperation ***and exchange of information***, especially between police and prosecution services, with a view to improving their track record as regards investigation, prosecution and conviction, including in high level cases; in view of the upcoming parliamentary elections, calls for effective oversight of political party financing ***and an accountable audit system***;

Or. en

Amendment 108

Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. ***Welcomes the continued*** implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; ***welcomes*** recent operations against ***drug plantations***; calls ***also for*** organised crime networks ***to be dismantled and for*** the number of final convictions in organised crime cases ***to be increased***, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution ***services*** and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up ***efforts to prevent*** human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Amendment

10. ***Notes*** implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation ***including with neighbouring countries on fight against drug cultivation and trafficking; and while welcoming the*** recent operations against ***cannabis plantations, calls on stepping up measures to eradicate drug cultivation in Albania and related networks of organized crime; calls for a more transparent accountability - including of police forces and authorities monitoring potential plantation areas around the country; calls for also dismantling*** organised crime networks ***and increasing*** the number of final convictions in organised crime cases, by enhancing cooperation between police, ***international organisations*** and prosecution and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up ***prevention of*** human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Or. en

Amendment 109

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. ***Welcomes the continued implementation of*** the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; ***welcomes*** recent operations

Amendment

10. ***Acknowledges the nominal will to implement*** the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; ***welcomes*** recent operations against drug

against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need **to step up** efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

plantations, **but the range of these measures is unsatisfactory and they need to acquire a dynamic of their own, since national authorities are aware of the inadmissibility of the cultivation and trafficking of drug plants, preparations, substances and derivatives**; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final, **legally fully safe** convictions in **recognised** organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need **for substantive** efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Or. el

Amendment 110 **Manolis Kefalogiannis**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 10**

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; **welcomes recent operations against drug plantations**; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; **notes that illicit proceeds of narcotics account for a significant proportion of Albania's GDP**; **calls on the competent authorities to strengthen their efforts in the fight against the production and trafficking of drugs and narcotics, including by stepping up international and regional cooperation**; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as

regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Or. en

Amendment 111
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; ***is gravely concerned of the allegations of infiltration of the state by organised crime groups***; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; ***regrets, however, that police and prosecution fail to identify criminal gangs behind drug cultivation and trafficking and efficient judicial follow-up in criminal proceedings is seldom secured***; ***calls for increasing the capacity and the use of financial investigations and improving the track record of freezing and confiscating illegally acquired assets***; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Or. en

Amendment 112
Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls ***on the competent authorities to strengthen their efforts in the fight against the production and trafficking of drugs and narcotics, by stepping up as well international and regional cooperation***; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities;

Amendment

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underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking; ***calls for greater efforts to be made with regard to the uncontrolled proliferation of arms and to arms trafficking, many of those arms being illegally held in EU countries; expresses its concern about the very high rate of murder using firearms in Albania (5.86 fatalities per 100 000 of the population);***

Or. fr

Amendment 114

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš, Nedzhmi Ali, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; ***notes, however, that police and prosecution fail to identify criminal gangs behind drug cultivation;*** calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Or. en

Amendment 115

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Neena Gill

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; ***underscores the importance of tackling trafficking in arms and stepping up cooperation with the EU to this effect;*** underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Or. en

Amendment 116
Kati Piri

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; ***is***

underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

concerned that the track record of freezing and confiscating illegally acquired assets remains very low;
underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Or. en

Amendment 117
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking; ***notes that despite an upward trend in investigating cases involving money laundering the number of final convictions remain limited;***

Or. en

Amendment 118
Barbara Matera

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking; ***but also towards women's and girls which are also the main victims of human trafficking and especially for sex slavery purpose;***

Or. en

Amendment 119
David McAllister

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the continued implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against organised crime and intensified international police cooperation; welcomes recent operations against drug plantations; calls also for organised crime networks to be dismantled and for the number of final convictions in organised crime cases to be increased, by enhancing cooperation between police and prosecution services and by strengthening institutional and operational capacities; underlines the need to step up efforts to prevent ***drug production and*** human trafficking, in particular as regards unaccompanied children and child victims

of trafficking;

Or. en

Amendment 120

Neena Gill

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 a. Notes that the border closures enacted by main transit countries in the Balkan region could result in a significant increase of the importance of Albania as a transit country for refugees and asylum seekers; welcomes statements by Albanian Prime Minister Edi Rama to the effect that refugees and asylum seekers should be treated in line with EU fundamental values; encourages Albania to further improve its legal framework for determining international protection status for refugees; expresses concern regarding the recent rise in cases of human trafficking; commends efforts by the Albanian police to step up information sharing with Frontex and calls for a further strengthening of cooperation between the EU and Albania in order to protect refugees' rights in line with international standards and EU fundamental values;

Or. en

Amendment 121

Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 a. Calls for the need to step up efforts in preventing human trafficking, paying

particular attention to unaccompanied children and child victims of trafficking, especially among children in street situation; notes that Albania is among the top five non-EU countries of citizenship for registered victims of human trafficking;

Or. en

Amendment 122
Barbara Matera

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 a. Welcomes the entry into force of the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence in August 2014 and that Albania ratified it on the 4th of February 2014;

Or. en

Amendment 123
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 a. Calls for a strengthening of the government's capacity to search, seize and confiscate cybercrime proceeds and prevent money laundering on the Internet;

Or. en

Amendment 124
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10 b. Highlights that the significant growth of the overall prison population in Albania presents a major challenge to the prison administration and to the criminal justice system as a whole; recommends, among other measures to fight prison overcrowding, a revision of the punitive approach, a re-classification of criminal offences, and increased use of alternatives to imprisonment;

Or. en

Amendment 125
Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11. Notes the improving EU-related cooperation between state institutions and civil society organisations (CSOs), including their participation in meetings of the National Council on European Integration (NCEI); stresses the need for even closer coordination at all levels of government, including at local level, with CSOs; calls for the effective implementation of the right to information and public consultation ***and for better regulation of the fiscal framework affecting CSOs;***

11. Notes the improving EU-related cooperation between state institutions and civil society organisations (CSOs), including their participation in meetings of the National Council on European Integration (NCEI); stresses the need for even closer coordination at all levels of government, including at local level, with CSOs; calls for ***better regulation of the fiscal framework affecting CSOs and for the effective implementation of the right to information and public consultation of stakeholders and the wider public while the EU integration process is ongoing, thereby enhancing the democratic character and the transparency of decision-making;***

Or. hr

Amendment 126
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Notes the improving EU-related cooperation between state institutions and civil society organisations (CSOs), including their participation in meetings of the National Council on European Integration (NCEI); stresses the need for even closer coordination at all levels of government, including at local level, with CSOs; calls for the effective implementation of the right to information and public consultation and for better regulation of the fiscal framework affecting CSOs;

Amendment

11. Notes the improving EU-related cooperation between state institutions and civil society organisations (CSOs), including their participation in meetings of the National Council on European Integration (NCEI) **and calls for more proactive role to be provided to them**; stresses the need for even closer coordination at all levels of government, including at local level, with CSOs; **welcomes in this regard the establishment of the National Council for Civil Society (NCCS)**; calls for the effective implementation of the right to information and public consultation **at all government levels** and for better regulation of the fiscal framework affecting CSOs;

Or. en

Amendment 127

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš, Nedzhmi Ali, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Notes the improving EU-related cooperation between state institutions and civil society organisations (CSOs), including their participation in meetings of the National Council on European Integration (NCEI); stresses the need for even closer coordination at all levels of government, including at local level, with CSOs; calls for the effective implementation of the right to information and public consultation and for better

Amendment

11. Notes the improving EU-related cooperation between state institutions and civil society organisations (CSOs), including their participation in meetings of the National Council on European Integration (NCEI); **notes that an empowered civil society is a crucial component of any democratic system**; stresses, **therefore**, the need for even closer coordination at all levels of government, including at local level, with CSOs; calls

regulation of the fiscal framework affecting CSOs;

for the effective implementation of the right to information and public consultation and for better regulation of the fiscal framework affecting CSOs;

Or. en

Amendment 128
Barbara Matera

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Notes the improving EU-related cooperation between state institutions and civil society organisations (CSOs), including their participation in meetings of the National Council on European Integration (NCEI); stresses the need for even closer coordination at all levels of government, including at local level, with CSOs; calls for the effective implementation of the right to information and public consultation and for better regulation of the fiscal framework affecting CSOs;

Amendment

11. Notes the improving EU-related cooperation between state institutions and civil society organisations (CSOs), including their participation in meetings of the National Council on European Integration (NCEI); stresses the need for even closer coordination at all levels of government, including at local level, with CSOs; calls for the effective implementation of the right to information and public consultation and for better regulation of the fiscal framework affecting CSOs; ***stresses the need for further cooperation among CSOs committed to the protection and promotion of women's rights, in order to avoid fragmentation of civil society and women's movements in Albania;***

Or. en

Amendment 129
Jozo Radoš, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Notes the improving EU-related cooperation between state institutions and civil society organisations (CSOs),

Amendment

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including their participation in meetings of the National Council on European Integration (NCEI); stresses the need for even closer coordination at all levels of government, including at local level, with CSOs; calls for the effective implementation of the right to information and public consultation and for better regulation of the fiscal framework affecting CSOs;

including their participation in meetings of the National Council on European Integration (NCEI); stresses the need for even closer coordination at all levels of government, including at local level, with CSOs; calls for the effective implementation of the right to information and public consultation and for better regulation of the fiscal framework affecting CSOs; ***calls on the authorities to encourage CSOs to actively participate in the overview of the whole electoral process;***

Or. en

Amendment 130

Jozo Radoš, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11 a. Urges the adoption of a national strategy for equality between women and men; calls on the Government to harmonise legislation and public policies with the Istanbul Convention; deplores that a number of laws continued to contain gender-discriminatory provisions as well as gender bias in court decisions and treatment by law enforcement agencies; is concerned over the lack of legislation or measures for the protection of women; urges authorities to tackle gender-based stereotypical preconceptions through systematic education as well as governmental measures; is deeply concerned about the increase in unemployment and long-term unemployment rates for women in 2015, as well as of lack of progress in reducing the gender gap in employment;

Or. en

Amendment 131
Tamás Meszerics, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11 a. Welcomes the work of the Ombudsman, in particular related to the rights of the most vulnerable groups; stresses the need to further increase his impact by overcoming funding and staffing problems at his central and local offices;

Or. en

Amendment 132
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

12. Demands that the Albanian government respect the rule of law and the rights of the Greek ethnic minority in Northern Epirus; calls on the Albanian Government here and now to stop the illegal seizure of the property of the Greeks in the Himara region; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Or. el

Amendment 133
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; **as regards Roma and Egyptians**, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities **in which members of the minorities must have a strong say and be properly represented; calls for recognition of the need for protection of minority rights throughout its territory, not only in government-recognised minority areas; reiterates that the protection of minority rights is directly connected with property rights;** calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Or. el

Amendment 134
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; **as regards Roma and Egyptians**, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by **adopting a comprehensive law for the protection of minorities and by** enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; **calls for the adoption of the European Charter for regional and minority languages;** as regards Roma, **Egyptians and other ethnic minorities**, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal

aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 135
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; *as regards* Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; *welcomes the initial steps aiming to improve the legal framework drafting the comprehensive law for the protection of minorities; notes the broad consultation process involving independent institutions, minorities associations and civil society; calls on finalizing the draft law and its swift adoption and implementation; concerning* Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that despite improvements the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 136
Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš, Nedzhmi Ali, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; **as regards** Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. Urges the competent authorities to **actively promote respect of human rights and** continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities **and other vulnerable groups** in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; **underlines the need to improve the living conditions for** Roma and Egyptians; calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 137
Manolis Kefalogiannis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. **Urges** the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. **Recalls, among the key priorities, the need to reinforce the protection of human rights, minority rights and anti-discrimination policies and efficient implementation of property rights; in particular, encourages Albania to strengthen the protection of persons belonging to minorities and recalls the importance of measures to guarantee and ensure in practice their equal access to all rights including those enshrined in the European Convention on Human Rights, throughout Albania; calls on Albania to address legal gaps that have been identified and clarify state policy by adopting comprehensive legislation according to its relevant commitments and in line with the recommendations of the Advisory Committee of the Council of Europe Framework Convention on National Minorities; recalls that any**

policy or legislative proposals in the field of protection of persons belonging to minorities should fully respect the principle of free self-identification; urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 138
Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; ***calls for the addressing of identified legal gaps and for clarification of state policy by adopting comprehensive legislation, in line with the recommendations of the Advisory Committee of the Council of Europe Framework Convention on National Minorities; recalls that any policy or legislation in the field of protection of persons belonging to minorities should fully respect the principle of free self-identification;*** as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system

remains the lowest in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 139

Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country ***in line with European minority protection standards, in particular the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities***, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region; ***encourages the authorities to ensure the full and timely implementation of its gender equality and anti-discrimination legislation, and monitor the effective implementation of that legislation, especially concerning women belonging to disadvantaged and marginalized groups***;

Or. en

Amendment 140

Barbara Matera

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Urges the competent authorities to
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12. Urges the competent authorities to

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continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;
encourages the promotion of research and debate on gender equality and women's rights in Albania, amongst others by supporting awareness-raising campaigns;

Or. en

Amendment 141
Kati Piri

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. ***Urges*** the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. ***Stresses that the enforcement of human rights protection mechanism needs to be strengthened;*** urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 142
Knut Fleckenstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; ***calls on Albania to adopt the framework law on the protection of minorities***; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 143
Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities ***so as to ensure respect for their human rights***; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Or. el

Amendment 144

Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region, ***whereas schools ought to become vehicles of integration;***

Or. fr

Amendment 145

Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Caterina Chinnici, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Brando Benifei, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region ***and that school segregation remains a reality;***

Or. en

Amendment 146

Neena Gill

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Amendment

12. Urges the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country, including by enhancing the role of the State Committee on Minorities; as regards Roma and Egyptians, calls for continued efforts in improving their access to employment ***and all public and social services including***, education, health, social housing and legal aid; is concerned that, despite improvements, the inclusion of Roma children in the education system remains the lowest in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 147

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš, Nedzhmi Ali, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Recalls that institutional mechanisms to protect the rights of the child and to tackle gender-based violence remain poor; calls for better policy implementation and better inter-institutional cooperation in order to tackle social exclusion and discrimination effectively; stresses the need for additional efforts in order to develop a track record of anti-discrimination cases;

Or. en

Amendment 148

Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Commends the efforts of the Ombudsman office in improving human rights legislation especially in the framework of the reform of judiciary; welcomes active promotion of the rights of vulnerable groups and principles of human dignity, freedom, equality and rule of law; regrets that the work of the Ombudsman's Office continued to be limited by lack of funding and personnel;

Or. en

Amendment 149

Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Calls for the recognition of the Bulgarian minority living in the regions of Mala Prespa, Golo Brdo and Gora; believes that granting a minority status to the Bulgarian community will consolidate their rights and freedoms and will give a positive signal that Albania respects the rights and freedoms of all ethnic minorities living in the country in true European spirit;

Or. en

Amendment 150

Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Caterina Chinnici, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Brando Benifei, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Calls for additional efforts to improve gender equality, protection of children, other vulnerable groups, and to improve institutional mechanisms for child protection; reiterates its call for the full implementation of the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (Istanbul Convention);

Or. en

Amendment 151
Knut Fleckenstein

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Continues to be concerned about discrimination against and lack of appropriate measures for the protection of women and girls belonging to disadvantaged and marginalized groups; calls on the competent authorities to continue awareness raising and prevention of domestic violence and to improve support to victims of domestic violence;

Or. en

Amendment 152
Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Notes that further efforts are needed to protect the rights of all minorities in Albania, through the full implementation of the relevant legislation; recommends that the rights of people with Bulgarian ethnicity in the Prespa, Golo brdo and Gora regions be enshrined in law and ensured in practice;

Or. en

**Amendment 153
Takis Hadjigeorgiou**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Notes that public spending on education remains low at less than 3 % of GDP; notes that pre-primary (3-6 years) enrolment rates are also very low at 33 %; urges the Albanian authorities to take concrete steps to change this situation;

Or. en

**Amendment 154
Eleni Theocharous**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Calls upon the Albanian authorities to fully respect the rights of Greek minority and extend such a legal status within the entire territory in accordance with the relevant International Conventions;

Or. en

Amendment 155

Kati Piri

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Deplores the high number of family violence against women and girls and calls upon the government to protect the rights of vulnerable groups and to take appropriate measures;

Or. en

Amendment 156

Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 b. Calls upon the Albanian Authorities to end any changes conducted or planned to be put forward regarding the boundaries of Municipalities and Communities, as well as any other administrative changes aimed at changing the demographic character and negatively affect the Greek minority;

Or. en

Amendment 157

Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 b. Regrets that competent authorities failed so far to conduct an effective criminal investigation into the loss of life at the demonstration on 21 January 2011,

invites the authorities to proceed without undue delay to deliver justice for the victims of the events of 21 January 2011;

Or. en

Amendment 158

Kati Piri

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 b. Takes note of the improvement of the protection of the rights of LGBTI and encourages the government to continue to further implement measures of the programme that Albania will follow until 2020;

Or. en

Amendment 159

Jozo Radoš, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, *including through disengagement and reintegration of returning* foreign fighters, *to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs* and religious communities, *and to intensify* regional and international cooperation in this area;

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony, *cherishing secular Constitution; commends the country's comprehensive legal framework for the prevention and fight against the financing of terrorism*; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, *as well as identification, prevention and disruption of flow of* foreign fighters *and untraceable money intended for further radicalization*; *urges for the implementation of programmes on prevention of*

radicalisation and de-radicalisation especially of youth and Roma population; is of the opinion that linking various central institutions and CSOs with local actors and religious communities would enable the early detection of radicalism; emphasizes the importance of strengthening of regional and international cooperation in this area;

Or. en

Amendment 160
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. *Commends* religious tolerance and *good* cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers it *essential to prevent* Islamic radicalisation, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area;

Amendment

13. *Stresses the scope for greater* religious tolerance and *better* cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers it *absolutely vital to address* Islamic radicalisation *and to prevent its spread, particularly in regions outside the urban centres*, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters *after exhausting the penal and legal provisions*, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area;

Or. el

Amendment 161
Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers *it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation*, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area;

Amendment

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers *that preventing Islamic radicalism is a priority*, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area;

Or. fr

Amendment 162
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, including *through* disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, *to counter* violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and *to intensify* regional and international cooperation in this area;

Amendment

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; *is concerned of the existence of numerous unauthorized mosques in Albania allegedly linked to extremists groups that present a risk of spreading radicalisation*; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation *through targeted approach by the intelligence, law enforcement authorities and judicial institutions*, including *as well* disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, *countering* violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and *intensifying* regional and international cooperation in this area;

Or. en

Amendment 163
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. *Commends* religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area;

Amendment

13. *Notes* religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area; ***urges that all measures taken in this direction should ensure in all circumstances the respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms in accordance with international human rights standards and international instruments;***

Or. en

Amendment 164
Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš, Nedzhmi Ali, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, including through disengagement and reintegration

Amendment

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; ***notes that Albania has been affected by the phenomenon of foreign terrorist fighters and a number of***

of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area;

unauthorized mosques in the country present risks of radicalisation; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area;

Or. en

Amendment 165

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area;

Amendment

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; ***calls on the Albanian government here and now to cease the targeted distortion of history which seeks to eradicate the centuries-old Greek presence in Northern Epirus***; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area;

Or. el

Amendment 166

László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area;

Amendment

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area; ***stresses the crucial importance of special education programmes in the process of prevention of radicalisation as well as in providing tools for reintegration and rehabilitation of individuals back into society;***

Or. en

Amendment 167
Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony; considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area;

Amendment

13. Commends religious tolerance and good cooperation among religious communities; encourages the competent authorities and religious communities to cooperate in preserving and fostering religious harmony ***by avoiding extreme actions that offend religious sentiment, such as the demolition of places of worship;*** considers it essential to prevent Islamic radicalisation, including through disengagement and reintegration of returning foreign fighters, to counter violent extremism in cooperation with CSOs and religious communities, and to intensify regional and international cooperation in this area;

Or. el

Amendment 168

Tamás Meszerics, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 a. Underlines that the right to life, including the right for children to attend school and to have a normal social life, is still heavily undermined by the existence of blood feuds in Albania; urges the authorities to implement the March 2015 resolution and recommendations by the Parliament and to reactivate the Coordination Council without any further delay;

Or. en

Amendment 169

Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 a. Calls upon the Albanian authorities to demonstrate full respect for religious, educational and other proprietary and human rights of minorities in line with the relevant International Conventions;

Or. en

Amendment 170

Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13 b (new)

13 b. *Calls on the Albanian authorities to fully respect the rights of homosexuals putting an end to racial discrimination;*

Or. en

Amendment 171

Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. ***Reiterates*** the critical importance of professional and independent private and public service media; is concerned about political influence in the media and widespread self-censorship among journalists; notes the slow implementation of the law on audiovisual media and ***the delays in filling vacancies in*** the Audiovisual Media Authority (AMA); calls for measures to raise the professional and ethical standards ***of and prevalence*** of regular work contracts ***for*** journalists, to enhance the transparency of government advertising in the media and to ensure the independence of the regulatory authority and the public broadcaster;

Amendment

14. ***Regrets that no progress was made in the area of freedom of expression last year;*** reiterates the critical importance of professional and independent private and public service media; is concerned about political influence in the media and widespread self-censorship among journalists; notes the slow implementation of the law on audiovisual media and ***that the method of electing members is not free of political influence and does not guarantee full independence of*** the Audiovisual Media Authority (AMA); calls for measures to raise the professional and ethical standards ***and the - availability*** of regular work contracts ***of*** journalists, to enhance the transparency of government advertising in the media and to ensure the independence, ***impartiality and accountability*** of the regulatory authority and the public broadcaster; ***reiterates the need to finalise and adopt public service broadcaster RTSH's internal statute as a matter of urgency and finalise the delayed digital broadcasting switchover process;***

Or. en

Amendment 172

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Reiterates the critical importance of professional and independent private and public service media; ***is concerned about*** political influence in the media and widespread self-censorship among journalists; notes the slow implementation of the law on audiovisual media and the delays in filling vacancies in the Audiovisual Media Authority (AMA); calls for measures to raise the professional and ethical standards of and prevalence of regular work contracts for journalists, to enhance the transparency of government advertising in the media and to ensure the independence of the regulatory authority and the public broadcaster;

Amendment

14. Reiterates the critical importance of professional and independent private and public service media; ***deplores*** political influence in the media and widespread self-censorship among journalists; notes the slow implementation of the law on audiovisual media and the delays in filling vacancies in the Audiovisual Media Authority (AMA); calls for measures to raise the professional and ethical standards of and prevalence of regular work contracts for journalists, to enhance the transparency of government advertising in the media and to ensure the independence of the regulatory authority and the public broadcaster;

Or. el

Amendment 173

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš, Nedzhmi Ali, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Reiterates the critical importance of professional and independent private and public service media; is concerned about political influence in the media and widespread self-censorship among journalists; notes the slow implementation of the law on audiovisual media and the delays in filling vacancies in the Audiovisual Media Authority (AMA); calls for measures to raise the professional and ethical standards of and prevalence of regular work contracts for journalists, to enhance the transparency of government advertising in the media and to ensure the independence of the regulatory authority and the public broadcaster;

Amendment

14. Reiterates the critical importance of professional and independent private and public service media; is concerned about political influence in the media and widespread self-censorship among journalists; notes the slow implementation of the law on audiovisual media and the delays in filling vacancies in the Audiovisual Media Authority (AMA); ***with a view to upcoming parliamentary elections, calls for additional efforts to fully guarantee the independence of the Audiovisual Media Authority (AMA) and of the public broadcaster;*** calls for measures to raise the professional and ethical standards of and prevalence of

regular work contracts for journalists, to enhance the transparency of government advertising in the media and to ensure the independence of the regulatory authority and the public broadcaster;

Or. en

Amendment 174
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Reiterates the critical importance of professional and independent private and public service media; is concerned about political influence in the media and widespread self-censorship among journalists; notes the slow implementation of the law on audiovisual media and the delays in filling vacancies in the Audiovisual Media Authority (AMA); calls for measures to raise the professional and ethical standards of and prevalence of regular work contracts for journalists, to enhance the transparency of government advertising in the media and to ensure the independence of the regulatory authority and the public broadcaster;

Amendment

14. Reiterates the critical importance of professional and independent private and public service media ***which should serve to inform citizens in an impartial manner, ensuring pluralism in a more proportionate way***; is concerned about ***unrestrained*** political influence in the media and widespread self-censorship among journalists; notes the slow implementation of the law on audiovisual media and the delays in filling vacancies in the Audiovisual Media Authority (AMA); calls for measures to raise the professional and ethical standards of and prevalence of regular work contracts for journalists, to enhance the transparency of government advertising in the media and to ensure the independence of the regulatory authority and the public broadcaster;

Or. el

Amendment 175
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Reiterates the critical importance of
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professional and independent private and public service media; is concerned about political influence in the media and widespread self-censorship among journalists; notes the slow implementation of the law on audiovisual media and the delays in filling vacancies in the Audiovisual Media Authority (AMA); calls for measures to raise the professional and ethical standards of and prevalence of regular work contracts for journalists, to enhance the transparency of government advertising in the media and to ensure the independence of the regulatory authority and the public broadcaster;

professional and independent private and public service media; is concerned about political influence in the media and widespread self-censorship among journalists; notes the slow implementation of the law on audiovisual media and the delays in filling vacancies in the Audiovisual Media Authority (AMA) **and granting digital licences to commercial operators**; calls for measures to raise the professional and ethical standards of and prevalence of regular work contracts for journalists, to enhance the transparency of government advertising in the media and to ensure the independence of the regulatory authority and the public broadcaster;

Or. en

Amendment 176 **Eduard Kukan**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 15**

Motion for a resolution

15. Welcomes improvements in fiscal consolidation, better scores in doing business, and efforts to fight the informal economy; **still** notes, however, shortcomings in the rule of law and **a** cumbersome regulatory environment, which deter **investment**; urges **the** competent authorities to take measures for improved enforcement of contracts **and** better tax collection, and to continue implementing **judicial** reform **with a view to improving** the business environment;

Amendment

15. Welcomes improvements in fiscal consolidation, better scores in doing business and efforts to fight the informal economy; notes, however, **still** shortcomings in the rule of law and cumbersome regulatory environment which deter **investments**; urges competent authorities to take measures for improved enforcement of contracts, better tax collection, and to continue implementing **the justice** reform **in order to improve** the business environment; **is concerned about the high level of direct procurements and non-competitive bidding and the awarding of long term outsourcing and PPP contracts with questionable impact regarding the public interest**;

Or. en

Amendment 177
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Welcomes improvements in fiscal consolidation, better scores in doing business, and efforts to **fight** the informal economy; still notes, however, shortcomings in the rule of law and a cumbersome regulatory environment, which deter investment; urges the competent authorities to take measures for improved enforcement of contracts and better tax collection, and to continue implementing judicial reform with a view to improving the business environment;

Amendment

15. Welcomes improvements in fiscal consolidation, better scores in doing business, and efforts to **control** the informal economy; still notes, however, **extensive** shortcomings in the rule of law and a cumbersome regulatory environment, which deter investment **and openly favour corruption**; urges the competent authorities to take measures for improved enforcement of contracts and better tax collection, and to continue implementing judicial reform with a view to improving the business environment;

Or. el

Amendment 178
Neena Gill

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Welcomes improvements in fiscal consolidation, better scores in doing business, and efforts to fight the informal economy; still notes, however, shortcomings in the rule of law and a cumbersome regulatory environment, which deter investment; urges the competent authorities to take measures for improved enforcement of contracts and better tax collection, and to continue implementing judicial reform with a view to improving the business environment;

Amendment

15. Welcomes improvements in fiscal consolidation, better scores in doing business, and efforts to fight the informal economy; still notes, however, shortcomings in the rule of law and a cumbersome regulatory environment, which deter investment; **expresses concern about reports by the IMF concerning corruption in tax inspections and changes in tax legislation enacted to the benefit of a small group of private stakeholders**; urges the competent authorities to take measures for improved enforcement of contracts and better tax collection, and to continue implementing judicial reform with a view to improving the business environment;

Amendment 179

Jozo Radoš, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Welcomes improvements in fiscal consolidation, better scores in doing business, and efforts to fight the informal economy; still notes, however, shortcomings in the rule of law and a cumbersome regulatory environment, which deter investment; urges the competent authorities to take measures for improved enforcement of contracts and better tax collection, and to continue implementing judicial reform with a view to improving the business environment;

Amendment

15. Welcomes improvements in fiscal consolidation, better scores in doing business, and efforts to fight the informal economy; still notes, however, shortcomings in the rule of law and a cumbersome regulatory environment, which deter investment; ***is concerned that migrant remittances constitute an important driver of domestic demand;*** urges the competent authorities to take measures for improved enforcement of contracts and better tax collection, and to continue implementing judicial reform with a view to improving the business environment;

Amendment 180

Tamás Meszerics, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 a. Deplores that the ecological and socio-economic impacts of hydropower plants and projects are not properly assessed in order to ensure compliance with international standards and relevant EU nature legislation; is deeply concerned about the fact that 44 of 71 hydropower plant projects are under construction in protected areas; underlines the need to improve the quality

of environmental impact assessments as well as to guarantee public participation and consultation of civil society in relevant projects in particular as regards the Pocem hydropower project on the Vjosa river;

Or. en

Amendment 181
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 a. Notes with concern limited administrative capacities in enforcement of environmental law and poor waste management and water management, which often leads to environmental crime threatening Albania's economic resources and constituting barrier towards a resource-efficient economy; highlights that the environmental impact of hydropower plants is often not properly assessed and adherence to EU legislation is not assured; reiterates its call to reconsider plans for building hydropower plants in protected areas of Vjosa river;

Or. en

Amendment 182

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Jasenko Selimovic, Petras Auštrevičius, Ivan Jakovčić, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš, Nedzhmi Ali, Ivo Vajgl, Norica Nicolai, Marietje Schaake, Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 a. Commends that according to the Institute of Statistic in Albania (INSTAT) the level of unemployment in Albania

decreased at the lowest level during the last three years; stresses the need to rise the quality of education at all levels in order to better equip people with skills and knowledge in line with labour market needs;

Or. en

Amendment 183
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 a. Calls on the Albanian authorities to take the necessary measures in order to prevent child labour;

Or. en

Amendment 184
Tamás Meszerics, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 b. Welcomes the 2015-2020 national action plan for renewable energy sources (RES) and its 38% target; stresses, however, the crucial importance to attend climate change objectives without negatively impacting biodiversity, the landscape, water resources, fauna, flora and affected local population;

Or. en

Amendment 185
Tamás Meszerics, Igor Šoltes

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 c. Urges the government to stop hydropower projects inside protected areas and other areas with high natural value; urges the government to declare a three-year moratorium on hydropower projects constructions and to urgently develop a national strategy defining go and no-go areas for future hydropower development; advises the government to consider the establishment of a Vjosa National Park and to abandon plans for new hydropower plants along the Vjosa River and its tributaries;

Or. en

Amendment 186
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Calls for the process of property registration, restitution and compensation to be completed, and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively;

16. Urges to complete the process of property registration, restitution and compensation and to update and effectively implement the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights; calls on improving transparency, legal certainty and equality of treatment related to the law on compensation for property confiscated during the communist time; calls on appointing national coordinator for property rights and accelerating the process of property registration and mapping, including the property digitalization;

Or. en

Amendment 187

László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Calls for the process of property registration, restitution and compensation to be completed, and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively;

Amendment

16. Calls for the process of property registration, restitution and compensation to be completed, and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively; ***further urges the authorities to develop a road map with clear responsibilities and deadlines in this regard and to conduct a public information campaign in order to inform former owners about their rights and duties concerning property restitution;***

Or. en

Amendment 188

Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Calls for the process of property registration, restitution and compensation to be completed, and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively;

Amendment

16. Calls for the process of property registration, restitution and compensation to be completed, and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively; ***notes the concerns raised by the Albanian Autocephalous Orthodox Church on the implementation of the agreement with the government on restitution of properties and underlines the need of the efficient enforcement of property rights;***

Or. en

Amendment 189

Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Calls for the process of property registration, restitution and compensation to be completed, and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively;

Amendment

16. Calls for the process of property registration, restitution and compensation to be completed, ***measures that will help prevent private property from devolving to the State on the pretext either of ambiguity in the existing legislation, or the absence of a law safeguarding it,*** and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively;

Or. el

Amendment 190
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Calls for the process of property registration, restitution and compensation to be completed, and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively;

Amendment

16. Calls for the process of property registration, restitution and ***genuine and reasonable*** compensation to be completed ***especially regarding properties that have been confiscated or misappropriated with the connivance of the State authorities at the expense of minority population groups,*** and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively;

Or. el

Amendment 191
Manolis Kefalogiannis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Calls for the process of property

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Amendment

16. ***Notes that the enforcement of***

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registration, restitution and compensation to be completed, and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively;

property rights remains to be efficiently ensured; Calls for the process of property registration, restitution and compensation to be completed, and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively;

Or. en

Amendment 192
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Calls for the process of property registration, restitution and compensation to be completed, and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively;

Amendment

16. Calls for the process of property registration, restitution and compensation to be completed ***in a transparent and non-discriminatory manner***, and for the 2012-2020 strategy on property rights to be implemented effectively;

Or. en

Amendment 193
László Tóké

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

16 a. Stresses the importance of research in the process of revealing crimes committed by the former communist regime and stresses the moral, political and legal responsibility of state institutions in this process; calls on the authorities to elaborate adequate legislative measures to help the rehabilitation of victims, including the compensation of individuals and their families and to revoke all politically-motivated court decisions that are still in force; urges state institutions to

*investigate and bring to justice
perpetrators who committed crimes
against humanity during the communist
dictatorship;*

Or. en

Amendment 194
Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16a. Calls on Albania to carry out relevant measurements concerning environmental protection and waste management and to take further steps to combat improper waste disposal and the removal of waste that has been improperly disposed of, especially marine waste;

Or. hr

Amendment 195
Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16b. Calls on Albania to move more closely into line with EU energy legislation and, in particular, to adopt a national energy strategy and provide additional support for energy projects to enhance energy independence and efficiency;

Or. hr

Amendment 196
Raffaele Fitto

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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Emphasises the importance of strengthening social dialogue, the capacities of social partners, and enforcement mechanisms for social rights; urges the government to modernise the education system with a view to better equipping young people with skills and knowledge in line with labour market needs; emphasises the **importance of** IPA (Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance) support dedicated to education, employment and social policies;

Amendment

17. Emphasises the importance of strengthening social dialogue, the capacities of social partners, and enforcement mechanisms for social rights; urges the government to modernise the education system with a view to better equipping young people with skills and knowledge in line with labour market needs; emphasises the **need to support and reinforce the** IPA (Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance) support dedicated to education, employment and social policies;

Or. it

Amendment 197
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Emphasises the importance of strengthening social dialogue, the capacities of social partners, and enforcement mechanisms for social rights; urges the government to modernise the education system with a view to better equipping young people with skills and knowledge **in line with labour market needs**; emphasises the importance of IPA (Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance) support dedicated to education, employment and social policies;

Amendment

17. Emphasises the importance of strengthening social dialogue, the capacities of social partners, and enforcement mechanisms for social rights; urges the government to modernise the education system with a view to better equipping young people with skills and knowledge; emphasises the importance of IPA (Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance) support dedicated to education, employment and social policies;

Or. en

Amendment 198
Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Caterina Chinnici, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Brando Benifei, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Emphasises the importance of strengthening social dialogue, the capacities of social partners, and enforcement mechanisms for social rights; urges the government to modernise the education system with a view to better equipping young people with skills and knowledge in line with labour market needs; emphasises the importance of IPA (Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance) support dedicated to education, employment and social policies;

Amendment

17. Emphasises the importance of strengthening social dialogue, the capacities of social partners, and enforcement mechanisms for social rights; urges the government to modernise the education system with a view to ***building a more inclusive society, reducing inequalities and discrimination and*** better equipping young people with skills and knowledge in line with labour market needs; emphasises the importance of IPA (Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance) support dedicated to education, employment and social policies;

Or. en

Amendment 199
Eleni Theocharous

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Emphasises the importance of strengthening social dialogue, the capacities of social partners, and enforcement mechanisms for social rights; urges the government to modernise the education system with a view to better equipping young people with skills and knowledge in line with labour market needs; emphasises the importance of IPA (Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance) support dedicated to education, employment and social policies;

Amendment

17. Emphasises the importance of strengthening social dialogue, the ***involvement of CSOs, the*** capacities of social partners, and enforcement mechanisms for social rights; urges the government to modernise the education system with a view to better equipping young people with skills and knowledge in line with labour market needs; emphasises the importance of IPA (Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance) support dedicated to education, employment and social policies;

Or. en

Amendment 200

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Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17 a. Calls on the Albanian authorities to strengthen their policies towards people with disabilities, which continue to face difficulties in accessing education, employment, healthcare, social services and decision-making, including obstacles preventing them from freely exercising the right to vote;

Or. en

Amendment 201
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17 b. Is concerned about the high level of unemployment, despite the slight decrease of 0.4%; notes that unemployment remains high especially among youth, women and persons with disabilities; is concerned about long-term unemployment;

Or. en

Amendment 202
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again;

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again;

urges the government to intensify *awareness-raising and prevention* efforts *in this regard*;

urges the government to intensify efforts *to curb this phenomenon*;

Or. el

Amendment 203

Kati Piri

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again; urges the government to *intensify* awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard;

Amendment

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States *remains high and* has increased again; urges the government to *take determined action, including by intensifying* awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard;

Or. en

Amendment 204

Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again; *urges* the government to intensify awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard;

Amendment

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again; *calls on* the government to intensify awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard;

Or. el

Amendment 205

Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution

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Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again; urges the government to intensify awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard;

Amendment

18. Notes ***with concern*** that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again ***and the number of illegal stayers and illegal border crossings remains the highest among Western Balkan nationals***; urges the government to ***be more proactive in addressing this negative phenomenon and to intensify awareness-raising, socioeconomic support*** and prevention efforts in this regard;

Or. en

Amendment 206 Knut Fleckenstein

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again; urges the government to intensify awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard;

Amendment

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again; urges the government to intensify awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard; ***stresses the need to provide sufficient human resources to the Directorate-General for Borders and Migration and the Border Police as well as to improve relevant inter-institutional cooperation in order to better counter irregular migration***;

Or. en

Amendment 207

Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Caterina Chinnici, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Brando Benifei, Michela Giuffrida

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again; urges the government to intensify awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard;

Amendment

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again; urges the government to intensify awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard; ***and to address push factors linked to structural shortcomings in social protection policies, education and health policies;***

Or. en

Amendment 208

David McAllister

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again; urges the government to intensify awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard;

Amendment

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again; urges the government to ***take immediate and determined action to address this phenomenon and to*** intensify awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard;

Or. en

Amendment 209

Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again; urges the government to intensify

Amendment

18. Notes that the number of unfounded asylum applications lodged by Albanians in EU Member States has increased again; urges the government to intensify

awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard;

awareness-raising and prevention efforts in this regard ***and to continue efforts to reintegrate those who have been rejected;***

Or. fr

Amendment 210
James Carver

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Commends ***Albania on its continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; commends*** both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

Amendment

19. Commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 211
Notis Marias

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. ***Commends Albania on its continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; commends both*** Albania and Serbia ***on their continued commitment to***

Amendment

19. ***Notes the ongoing*** commitment of Albania and Serbia to improving ***their*** bilateral relations; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

improving bilateral relations *and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana*; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

Or. el

Amendment 212
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. *Commends Albania on its continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation* in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

Amendment

19. *Expresses its concern at the escalation of tension in bilateral relations with Greece regarding the delimitation of the EEZ, the Cham issue and biased and unjust attitude of the authorities towards the property of the Greek minority; takes into account efforts to improve bilateral relations with Serbia and the strengthening of regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages Albania to take seriously the issue of good neighbourly relations* in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

Or. el

Amendment 213
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. *Commends Albania on its*
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19. *Notes* Albania full alignment with

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continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, ***thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity***; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 214 **Manolis Kefalogiannis**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 19**

Motion for a resolution

19. Commends Albania on its continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

Amendment

19. Commends Albania on its continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; ***underlines the importance of ensuring good neighbourly relations, which remain essential as an integral part of the Enlargement Process as well as of the Stabilisation and Association Process conditionality***; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;***underlines the importance of ensuring good neighbourly relations, which remain essential as an integral part of the Enlargement Process as well as of the Stabilisation and***

Amendment 215
Manolis Kefalogiannis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Commends Albania on its continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

Amendment

19. Commends Albania on its continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; ***underlines the importance of ensuring good neighbourly relations, which remain essential as an integral part of the enlargement process as well as of the Stabilisation and Association Process conditionality;*** commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region; ***recalls that actions and statements which negatively impact on good neighbourly relations should be avoided;***

Amendment 216
Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Commends Albania on its
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Amendment

19. Commends Albania on its

continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; ***recalls the importance of ensuring good neighborly relations which remain essential part of the Enlargement and of the Stabilisation Association Process***; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region; ***underlines that actions and statements which have a negative impact on good neighborly relations should be avoided***;

Or. en

Amendment 217 **Tonino Picula**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 19**

Motion for a resolution

19. Commends Albania on its continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

Amendment

19. Commends Albania on its continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; ***points to the importance of, and the need for, a constructive contribution by Albania to regional political stability, in particular with a view to safeguarding the territorial integrity and stability of FYROM***; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana;

encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

Or. hr

Amendment 218
Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Commends Albania on its continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

Amendment

19. Commends Albania on its continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

furthermore, calls on Albania to control extreme political groups that voice expansionist designs on neighbouring countries and undermine the country's efforts to establish good neighbourly conditions with them;

Or. el

Amendment 219
Tanja Fajon

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Commends Albania on its
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19. Commends Albania on its

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continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region;

continued full alignment with relevant EU declarations and Council conclusions, thereby demonstrating its clear commitment to European integration and solidarity; commends both Albania and Serbia on their continued commitment to improving bilateral relations and strengthening regional cooperation at political and societal level, for example through the Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO) headquartered in Tirana; encourages both countries to continue their good cooperation in order to promote reconciliation in the region, *particularly through programs for young people, such as those available in the framework of the Positive Agenda for the Youth in the Western Balkans*;

Or. en

Amendment 220
Angel Dzhambazki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 a. Commends Albania for remaining a constructive partner in the region and pro-active in regional cooperation; welcomes Albania's continued active participation in the South East Europe Transport Observatory and the Western Balkans 6 process focusing on improving connectivity within the Western Balkans as well as with the EU; regrets, however, delays on the construction of Fier bypass on the North-South corridor and the Tirana-Elbasan on the road corridor VIII; urges the Albanian authorities to accelerate planning and construction of the Albanian sections of the transportation corridors;

Or. en

Amendment 221
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 a. Emphasizes the importance of regional cooperation in the EU integration process; welcomes Albania's constructive and proactive role in several regional initiatives, such as the South East Europe Cooperation Process, the Adriatic-Ionian Initiative, the EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region, the Central European Initiative, the Western Balkans Six and the Regional Initiative for Migration and Asylum, as well as Albania's constructive attitude in developing bilateral relations with other enlargement countries and neighbouring EU Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 222
Monica Macovei

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 a. Notes that addressing the Communist past is of key importance in terms of confronting human rights abuses and obtaining truth and justice for victims; welcomes the Law establishing an Authority for the opening of the Sigurimi records; welcomes the publishing by the OSCE Presence and the German embassy of the survey "The knowledge and public perceptions of the communist past in Albania and its future expectations;" notes that these efforts will help create dialogue about the past and build expectations for the future;

Amendment 223

Jozo Radoš, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 a. Comends Albania for demonstrating a clear commitment in supporting positions promoted by the EU on peace and security; notes the finalisation of destruction of surplus conventional ammunition; calls for the destruction of the remaining stockpile of small arms and light weapons as well as improvement of the condition of storage facilities; urges Albania to bring its legislation related to the import and export of military goods and dual-use goods into line with the EU acquis;

Or. en

Amendment 224

Knut Fleckenstein

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 a. Welcomes Albania's constructive role in promoting regional cooperation and good neighbourly relations with other enlargement countries and neighbouring EU Member States; notes the recent frictions in relations between Albania and Greece and recommends to both sides to avoid actions or statements that could have a negative impact on them;

Or. en

Amendment 225
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 a. Welcomes the decision by Albanian authorities to align Albanian foreign policy with Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/1671, renewing EU restrictive measures against Russia;

Or. en

Amendment 226
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 a. Renews its call on the Albanian authorities to control the development of a hydropower industry in environmentally sensitive areas;

Or. en

Amendment 227
Monica Macovei

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 b. calls for civil society engagement and effective dialogue with public institutions; notes that levels of civic apathy are high;

Or. en

Amendment 228
Monica Macovei

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 c. Emphasises the importance of increasing the integrity and independence of public institutions; highlights that corruption erodes people's trust in institutions;

Or. en

Amendment 229
Jozo Radoš, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20. Reiterates its request that the Commission include information about IPA support for Albania and the effectiveness of implemented measures in its reports, in particular the IPA support allocated for implementation of the key priorities and relevant projects;

20. Reiterates its request that the Commission include information about IPA support for Albania and the effectiveness of implemented measures in its reports, in particular the IPA support allocated for implementation of the key priorities and relevant projects; **welcomes the participation of Albania in Western Balkans six initiative; calls on authorities to continue implementing measures agreed at the Vienna Summit in 2015, especially on transport infrastructure maintenance and road safety; calls for alignment of new energy efficiency law with the EU acquis to fully benefit from additional EU funding for energy efficiency in residential buildings and sustainable development;**

Or. en

Amendment 230
Manolis Kefalogiannis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Reiterates its request that the Commission include information about IPA support for Albania and the effectiveness of implemented measures in its reports, in particular the IPA support allocated for implementation of the key priorities and relevant projects;

Amendment

20. Reiterates its request that the Commission include information about IPA support for Albania and the effectiveness of implemented measures in its reports, in particular the IPA support allocated for implementation of the key priorities and relevant projects ***bearing in mind the Commission's declaration on the Strategic Dialogue with the European Parliament;***

Or. en

Amendment 231
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Reiterates its request that the Commission include information about IPA support for Albania and the effectiveness of implemented measures in its reports, in particular the IPA support allocated for implementation of the key priorities and relevant projects;

Amendment

20. Reiterates its request that the Commission include information about IPA support for Albania and the effectiveness of implemented measures in its reports, in particular the IPA support allocated for implementation of the key priorities and relevant projects ***with a view to a re-assessment thereof;***

Or. el