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Report on the 2016 Commission Report on Montenegro
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Amendment 1
Nikos Androulakis, Anneliese Dodds

Motion for a resolution
Citation 8

Motion for a resolution

— having regard to the *preliminary findings and conclusions* of the OSCE/ODIHR *concerning* the parliamentary elections of 16 October 2016,

Amendment

— having regard to the *Final Report* of the *OSCE/ODIHR Election Observation Mission on the parliamentary elections of 16 October 2016*,

Or. en

Amendment 2
Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the decision of the Foreign Ministers of the NATO Member States of 2 December 2015 and the signature of the NATO Accession Protocol for Montenegro on 19 May 2016*,

Or. hr

Amendment 3
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A. whereas Euro-Atlantic integration is Montenegro's key foreign policy priority;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 4
Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas *Euro-Atlantic* integration is Montenegro's key foreign policy priority;

Amendment

A. whereas *European* integration is Montenegro's key foreign policy priority;

Or. en

Amendment 5
Goffredo Maria Bettini, Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas *Euro-Atlantic integration* is Montenegro's key foreign policy priority;

Amendment

A. whereas *EU accession* is Montenegro's key foreign policy priority;

Or. it

Amendment 6
Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas Euro-Atlantic *integration* is Montenegro's key foreign policy priority;

Amendment

A. whereas Euro-Atlantic *concordance* is Montenegro's key foreign policy priority, *subject, however, to the preservation of its national sovereignty*;

Or. el

Amendment 7
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas Euro-Atlantic integration is *Montenegro's* key foreign policy priority;

Amendment

A. whereas Euro-Atlantic integration is *the* key foreign policy priority *for the corrupt elite in power in Montenegro, and whereas this approach does not enjoy broad support in Montenegrin society, but is instead a divisive factor which may lead to an extremely serious political crisis;*

Or. fr

Amendment 8
Janusz Korwin-Mikke
on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas Euro-Atlantic integration is Montenegro's key foreign policy priority;

Amendment

A. whereas Euro-Atlantic integration *and accession* is Montenegro's key foreign policy priority;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas further progress has been made in the accession negotiations; whereas Montenegro is currently considered to be the most advanced in its accession process;

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Amendment

Amendment 10
Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas further progress has been made in the accession negotiations; whereas Montenegro is **currently considered to be** the most advanced in its accession process;

Amendment

B. whereas further progress has been made in the accession negotiations; whereas Montenegro is the most advanced **enlargement country** in its accession process

Or. en

Amendment 11
László Tóké, Kinga Gál

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas further progress has been made in the accession negotiations; whereas Montenegro is currently considered to be the most advanced in its accession process;

Amendment

B. whereas further progress has been made in the accession negotiations; whereas Montenegro is currently considered to be the most advanced in its accession process; **whereas the legal framework in the area of the rule of law is largely complete and the institutional set-up is in place;**

Or. en

Amendment 12
Janusz Korwin-Mikke
on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas further progress has been made in the accession negotiations; whereas Montenegro is currently considered to be the most advanced in its accession process;

Amendment

B. whereas further progress has been made in the accession negotiations; whereas Montenegro is currently considered to be the most advanced in its accession process ***in comparison to the other Western Balkan countries;***

Or. en

Amendment 13
Marielle de Sarnez

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas concerns remain about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of the opposition in Parliament; whereas sustainable dialogue and constructive cooperation between ruling coalition and opposition are critical ***to maintaining progress in the accession process;***

Amendment

C. whereas concerns remain about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of the opposition in Parliament; whereas sustainable dialogue and constructive cooperation between ruling coalition and opposition are critical;

Or. fr

Amendment 14
Nikos Androulakis, Anneliese Dodds

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas concerns remain about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of the opposition in Parliament; whereas sustainable dialogue and constructive cooperation between ruling coalition and opposition are critical to maintaining progress in the accession process;

Amendment

C. whereas concerns remain about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of the opposition in Parliament; whereas ***the continuation of instability might slow down the pace of EU-related reforms;*** ***whereas*** sustainable dialogue and constructive cooperation between ruling coalition and opposition are critical to maintaining progress in the accession process;

Amendment 15

Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas concerns remain about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of the opposition in Parliament; whereas sustainable dialogue and constructive cooperation between ruling coalition and opposition are critical to maintaining progress in the accession process;

Amendment

C. whereas concerns remain about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of the opposition in Parliament; whereas sustainable dialogue and constructive cooperation between ruling coalition and opposition are critical to maintaining progress in the accession process, ***which is itself in fact the main cause of the political crisis in the country;***

Or. fr

Amendment 16

Janusz Korwin-Mikke

on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas concerns remain about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of the opposition in Parliament; whereas sustainable dialogue and constructive cooperation between ruling coalition and opposition are critical to maintaining progress in the accession process;

Amendment

C. whereas concerns remain about the polarised domestic ***political*** climate and the boycott of the opposition in Parliament; whereas sustainable dialogue and constructive cooperation between ruling coalition and opposition are critical to maintaining progress in the accession process;

Or. en

Amendment 17

Marielle de Sarnez

Motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas the Commission has given an undertaking to temporarily suspend the enlargement process;

Or. fr

Amendment 18
Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marielle de Sarnez, Marietje Schaake, Javier Nart, Ivo Vajgl, Paavo Väyrynen, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

D. whereas *corruption remains a serious concern*;

D. whereas *organized crime and widespread corruption remain serious concerns*;

Or. en

Amendment 19
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

D. whereas corruption *remains a serious concern*;

D. whereas corruption *and the infiltration of the State apparatus by organised crime remain serious concerns*;

Or. fr

Amendment 20
Janusz Korwin-Mikke
on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas corruption remains a serious concern;

Amendment

D. whereas corruption ***in politics and public life*** remains a serious concern;

Or. en

Amendment 21
Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas corruption remains a serious concern;

Amendment

D. whereas corruption ***and organised crime*** remains a serious concern;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Anneliese Dodds, Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas civil society organisations (CSOs) are ***being included in the reform process in Montenegro***;

Amendment

E. whereas civil society organisations (CSOs) are ***able to participate in working groups, including for accession negotiations, but have expressed dissatisfaction with the level of their involvement in policy-making and the degree of their access to information; whereas it is extremely worrying that some civil society activists have been personally targeted by the media through smear campaigns***;

Or. en

Amendment 23

Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas civil society organisations (CSOs) are being included in the reform process in Montenegro;

Amendment

E. whereas civil society organisations (CSOs) are *partly* being included in the reform process in Montenegro;

Or. en

Amendment 24

David McAllister

Motion for a resolution

Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

E a. whereas Montenegro's progress under rule of law chapters 23 and 24 remains essential for the overall pace of the negotiating process;

Or. en

Amendment 25

Anneliese Dodds, Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution

Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas freedom of expression and media freedom are core EU values and cornerstones of any democracy; whereas the Montenegrin media community is highly politicised, censorship and self-censorship persist, and economic and political pressures on journalists occur;

Amendment

F. whereas freedom of expression and media freedom are core EU values and cornerstones of any democracy; whereas the Montenegrin media community is highly politicised, censorship and self-censorship persist, and economic and political pressures on journalists occur;

whereas Reporters Without Borders ranks Montenegro only 106th out of 181 countries in its World Press Freedom Index; whereas the CSO Human Rights Watch reported that there were 25 threats and attacks against journalists in Montenegro since August 2015; whereas many cases of attacks against journalists remain unresolved, including the murder of Dusko Jovanovic in 2004;

Or. en

Amendment 26

Janusz Korwin-Mikke

on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas freedom of expression and media freedom are core EU values and cornerstones of any democracy; whereas the Montenegrin media community is highly politicised, censorship and self-censorship persist, and economic and political pressures on journalists occur;

Amendment

F. whereas freedom of *speech, freedom of* expression and media freedom are core EU values and cornerstones of any democracy; whereas the Montenegrin media community is highly politicised *and directed by power centres of political and economic influence*, censorship and self-censorship persist, and economic and political pressures on journalists occur;

Or. en

Amendment 27

Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters

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deleted

*have been provisionally closed;
encourages Montenegro to work on
meeting all benchmarks and to continue
focusing on the fundamentals of the
accession process; recalls that it is
essential to deliver concrete results with a
strong implementation record;*

Or. fr

Amendment 28
James Carver

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 29
Miroslav Poche

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on

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the fundamentals of the accession process;
recalls that *it is essential to deliver*
concrete results with a strong
implementation record;

the fundamentals of the accession process;
recalls that *the overall tempo of the*
accession negotiations will depend on the
progress in delivering concrete results with
a strong implementation record;

Or. cs

Amendment 30
Željana Zovko

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to *work on* meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

Amendment

1. Welcomes the continued *progress in Montenegro's Euro-Atlantic integration, as one of the main foreign policy priorities; notes that Montenegro has achieved* steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed, *namely Chapter 25 on Science and Research and Chapter 26 on Education and Culture*; encourages Montenegro to *increase its efforts towards* meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record, *especially in the field of the rule of law, justice and fight against corruption and organized crime*;

Or. en

Amendment 31
Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

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progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation *record*;

progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; *commends the adoption by the government of the 2017-2018 Programme of Accession of Montenegro to the EU*; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process, *strengthening the rule of law and effectively fighting corruption*; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation;

Or. en

Amendment 32 **Marielle de Sarnez**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 1**

Motion for a resolution

1. *Welcomes* the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, *noting* that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

Amendment

1. *Notes* the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, *pointing out* that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

Or. fr

Amendment 33 **Dubravka Šuica**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 1**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations **and opening of four new chapters in 2016, while encouraging opening and closing of further chapters in 2017; calls on the Council to speed up negotiations with Montenegro based on the individual achievements in this process**, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

Or. en

Amendment 34
Raffaele Fitto

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

Amendment

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; **notes the progress made by Montenegro in the context of the neighbourhood policy with the EU Member States**; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

Or. it

Amendment 35
Kati Piri

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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

Amendment

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; ***believes, however, that the pace of reforms could be accelerated***; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Doru-Claudian Frunzulică, Nicola Caputo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

Amendment

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record; ***believes that a credible enlargement process is necessary to generate transformation and to consolidate stability in all of South-East Europe***;

Or. en

Amendment 37
László Tóké, Kinga Gál

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

Amendment

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record; ***looks forward to opening and closing further chapters in the accession negotiations in 2017;***

Or. en

Amendment 38
Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong implementation record;

Amendment

1. Welcomes the continued steady progress in the accession negotiations, noting that so far 26 chapters have been opened for negotiations and 2 chapters have been provisionally closed; encourages Montenegro to work on meeting all benchmarks and to continue focusing on the fundamentals of the accession process; recalls that it is essential to deliver concrete results with a strong ***and sustainable*** implementation record;

Or. en

Amendment 39

László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, **but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities;** notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Amendment

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding **free and fair** parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place **and which overall allowed the election preparations to be conducted in a more participatory and transparent manner; calls on Montenegro's authorities to address shortcomings reported by the international observers and to investigate alleged irregularities;** notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Or. en

Amendment 40

Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. **Commends the competent authorities for holding** parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were **generally** respected; **welcomes** the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the

Amendment

2. **Notes the outcome of the** parliamentary elections **held** on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were **apparently** respected; **notes** the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of

persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; *notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;*

some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; *acknowledges that foreign agents, taking advantage in particular of the protection offered by US and EU law, are using propaganda methods and funding fraud on a massive scale in order to manipulate the electoral process in favour of Milo Djukanovic and his party, in the name of promoting European integration;*

Or. fr

Amendment 41 **Takis Hadjigeorgiou**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 2**

Motion for a resolution

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes *with regret* that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; *recognises the*

Amendment

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the

attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

elections;

Or. en

Amendment 42
Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. *Commends the competent authorities for holding* parliamentary elections *on* 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; *expects* that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, *will* be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Amendment

2. *Notes that the* parliamentary elections *of* 16 October 2016 *were held* in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; *believes* that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, *must* be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Or. el

Amendment 43
Marietje Schaake, Jozo Radoš

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Amendment

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; ***is concerned about the government mandated shutdown of messaging services, including Viber and Whatsapp; reiterates that this shutdown violates the principles of freedom of expression and freedom of the media, which are part of the Copenhagen criteria; calls on Montenegrin authorities to guarantee principles of internet and media freedom and refrain from similar blocks and shutdowns in the future;*** expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Or. en

Amendment 44

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marielle de Sarnez, Javier Nart, Ivan Jakovčić

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2**

Motion for a resolution

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authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; ***however, notes reports of irregularities and incidents, as well as the temporary closure of two mobile communication platforms; hopes that the relevant authorities will swiftly and transparently investigate the reported irregularities;*** welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; ***is of the opinion that an improvement of the electoral process is needed in order to build full confidence in the electoral process;*** notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Or. en

Amendment 45
Nikos Androulakis, Anneliese Dodds

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative

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Amendment

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the ***fact that the turnout was the highest since 2002; welcomes the*** revised legal framework under which the elections took

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deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; *recognises* the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities, *in line with the OSCE/ODIHR recommendations*; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; *takes note of* the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Or. en

Amendment 46 **Eduard Kukan**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 2**

Motion for a resolution

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the

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2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; *encourages further alignment with international standards*; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition

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attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused; ***regrets the closure of two mobile Internet communication platforms on election day and expects investigation of these events;***

Or. en

Amendment 47
David McAllister

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Amendment

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused; ***expects the new government to maintain the political commitment to the reform process and invites all political parties to re-engage in a constructive dialogue;***

Or. en

Amendment 48
Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Amendment

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; ***condemns the attempt of a coup and endangering Euro-Atlantic orientated forces***; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

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were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; ***expects that political independence of the State Election Commission is to be sustained***; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Or. en

Amendment 50

Janusz Korwin-Mikke

on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and abuse of office, and any other reported

Amendment

2. Commends the competent authorities for holding parliamentary elections on 16 October 2016 in an orderly manner in which fundamental freedoms were generally respected; welcomes the revised legal framework under which the elections took place, but notes the persistence of some administrative ***and technical*** deficiencies, including on the part of the State Election Commission (SEC), as well as concerns about the accuracy of the electoral register ***that need to be updated*** and politicisation; expects that the alleged procedural irregularities, including alleged abuses of state funds and

shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

abuse of office, and any other reported shortcomings, will be investigated fully and addressed effectively by the competent authorities; notes with regret that part of the opposition has not recognised the results of the elections; recognises the attempts by external actors *and centres* to discredit the electoral process and the difficulties this has caused;

Or. en

Amendment 51
Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2 a. Emphasises the importance of efficient and effective cooperation and communication among the government institutions;

Or. en

Amendment 52
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Notes that a Government of Electoral Trust was formed in the run-up to these elections; welcomes the fact that this was a Montenegrin-led process and one that was achieved on a cross-party basis;

(Does not affect the English version.)

Or. fr

Amendment 53
Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes

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on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 a. *Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro;*

Or. en

Amendment 54
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. *Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;*

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Or. fr

Amendment 55
James Carver

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Notes the attempts by Russia to

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influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, **and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;**

influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016;

Or. en

Amendment 56 **Georgios Epitideios**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 4**

Motion for a resolution

4. Notes ***the attempts by Russia to influence*** developments in Montenegro; is concerned about ***the serious incidents*** that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; ***considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;***

Amendment

4. Notes ***Russian objections regarding*** developments in Montenegro; is concerned about ***theses developments and the incident*** that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities;

Or. el

Amendment 57 **Takis Hadjigeorgiou**

Motion for a resolution

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Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. ***Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro;*** is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Amendment

4. is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016 and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 58

Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. ***Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro;*** is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Amendment

4. Is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission; ***calls on relevant authorities to investigate in a politically neutral manner and to objectively inform the wider public about evidence gathered and conclusions generated;***

Amendment 59
Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. *Notes the attempts by Russia* to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Amendment

4. *Expresses deep concern over Russian attempts* to influence developments in Montenegro, *as this could imply further destabilization of the Western Balkans; calls on Montenegro to progressively align its foreign policy with the EU*; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 60
Marietje Schaake, Jozo Radoš

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security

Amendment

4. Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016 *including an assassination attempt against former PM Milo Djukanovic and coup-attempt*, and calls on the Vice-President of the European

Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely **ongoing** investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely **on-going** investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 61
Doru-Claudian Frunzulică, Nicola Caputo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Amendment

4. Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; **encourages the Prime Minister to enter a dialogue with the opposition and to clarify remaining open questions**; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 62
Nikos Androulakis, Anneliese Dodds

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Amendment

4. Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; ***commends the willingness of Serbia to cooperate in the ongoing investigation***; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 63
Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Amendment

4. Notes ***with serious concern*** the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 64

Janusz Korwin-Mikke

on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Amendment

4. Notes the *alleged* attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 65

Kati Piri

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Notes the attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that relevant services of the

Amendment

4. Notes the *alleged* attempts by Russia to influence developments in Montenegro; is concerned about the serious incidents that occurred on 16 October 2016, and calls on the Vice-President of the European Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (VP/HR), and on the Commission, to follow closely ongoing investigations by the competent authorities; considers it important that

Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

relevant services of the Member States share information pertaining to these incidents among themselves and with the VP/HR and the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 66

Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4 a. Is deeply concerned about the government's decision to suspend the internet services of Viber and WhatsApp on election day as reported by OSCE/ODIHR and calls on competent authorities to investigate relevant decisions and measure and their compatibility with both national laws, constitutional provisions and EU principles and standards; is deeply concerned about the hacking of the website of the Center for Democratic Transition (CDT) a few days before elections which also hindered the work of civil society organisations in monitoring elections;

Or. en

Amendment 67

Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all

5. Notes the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition;

political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair';

Or. fr

Amendment 68
Manolis Kefalogiannis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; *insists repeatedly* on the *need* for a due *follow-up* on the '*audio-recording affair*';

Amendment

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; *while acknowledging that some progress has been made* on the *judicial follow up to the "audio recordings affair"*, *urges once again* a due *political follow up* on the *issue*;

Or. en

Amendment 69
Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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members of the opposition; urges *again all* political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair';

members of the opposition; urges *opposition* political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament *in order to reduce the backlog of laws pending in the parliament and take advantage of the offer of the Prime Minister to participate in the government in exchange for ending the boycott*; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair'; *commends the parliament for continuing to exhibit a high level of transparency and replying to all information requests*;

Or. en

Amendment 70
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate *and* the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair';

Amendment

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate; *notes* the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair';

Or. en

Amendment 71
Raffaele Fitto

Motion for a resolution

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Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair';

Amendment

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair'; ***calls for guaranteed action to improve protection for whistleblowers and oversight of the implementation of measures to combat organised crime and corruption;***

Or. it

Amendment 72 Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair';

Amendment

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair'; ***expresses concern at the use of force during opposition demonstrations against the policies pursued by the regime in power;***

Or. fr

Amendment 73

Kati Piri

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair';

Amendment

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate, ***the long term dominant role of the ruling party***, and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair';

Or. en

Amendment 74

Nikos Androulakis, Anneliese Dodds

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair';

Amendment

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to ***end the boycott and*** re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair';

Or. en

Amendment 75

Javi López

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair';

Amendment

5. Continues to be deeply concerned about the polarised domestic climate and the boycott of parliamentary activities by members of the opposition; urges again all political forces to re-engage in constructive ***dialogue and*** cooperation within the Montenegrin parliament; calls for further reinforcement of the parliament's scrutiny of the accession process and capacity for budget oversight; insists repeatedly on the need for a due follow-up on the 'audio-recording affair';

Or. en

Amendment 76

Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5 a. Urges both Government and Parliament to introduce the criminal offence of illicit enrichment by public officials in accordance with United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) into the Montenegrin criminal code;

Or. en

Amendment 77

Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5 b. Invites the Government to improve access to public information, especially in relation to large infrastructure projects such as the construction of highways, privatisation, public procurements and judicial operations;

Or. en

Amendment 78
Marielle de Sarnez

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. Welcomes the new public administration reform strategy (PAR) 2016-2020, the public financial management reform programme, the entry into force of the new law on salaries and the simplification of administrative procedures; calls for measures to allocate the appropriate budgetary resources for PAR's implementation, as well as for consistent political will to rationalise public administration, **also in view of accession preparations**; encourages further depoliticisation of the public administration, and considers it essential to adhere to the principles of merit, accountability and transparency, and to ensure the citizens' right to good administration, free of corruption;

6. Welcomes the new public administration reform strategy (PAR) 2016-2020, the public financial management reform programme, the entry into force of the new law on salaries and the simplification of administrative procedures; calls for measures to allocate the appropriate budgetary resources for PAR's implementation, as well as for consistent political will to rationalise public administration; encourages further depoliticisation of the public administration, and considers it essential to adhere to the principles of merit, accountability and transparency, and to ensure the citizens' right to good administration, free of corruption;

Or. fr

Amendment 79
Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Welcomes the new public administration reform strategy (PAR) 2016-2020, the public financial management reform programme, the entry into force of the new law on salaries and the simplification of administrative procedures; calls for measures to allocate the appropriate budgetary resources for PAR's implementation, as well as for consistent political will to rationalise public administration, also in view of accession preparations; **encourages further depoliticisation** of the public administration, and considers it essential to adhere to the principles of merit, accountability and transparency, and to ensure the citizens' right to good administration, free of corruption;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 80
Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

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6. Welcomes the new public administration reform strategy (PAR) 2016-2020, the public financial management reform programme, the entry into force of the new law on salaries and the simplification of administrative procedures; calls **on the need for further policy coordination on issues of substance**; calls for measures to allocate the appropriate budgetary resources for PAR's implementation, as well as for consistent political will to rationalise public administration, also in view of accession preparations; encourages **the government to further improve the**

accountability and transparency, and to ensure the citizens' right to good administration, free of corruption;

participation of stakeholders in Montenegro's accession process; encourages further depoliticisation of the public administration, and considers it essential to adhere to the principles of merit, accountability and transparency, timely regulatory impact assessment and to ensure the citizens' right to good administration and their right to information, free of corruption; encourages self-sufficiency of local self-government;

Or. en

Amendment 81

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmaz Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marietje Schaake, Javier Nart, Ivo Vajgl, Paavo Väyrynen, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 6

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Amendment 82
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 83
Javi López

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 84

Janusz Korwin-Mikke

on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment 85

Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7. *Notes progress in judiciary reform, including improved institutional capacities; remains concerned about undue influence on judicial independence, especially with regard to the appointment of judges; emphasises the need to strengthen the accountability of the judiciary by developing a track record of implementation of codes of ethics and of the new disciplinary systems for judges and prosecutors; stresses the need to rationalise the judicial network, and to further improve capacities to monitor backlogs at courts and to reduce further the number of pending cases;* *deleted*

Or. fr

Amendment 86

Janusz Korwin-Mikke

on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

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the new disciplinary systems for judges and prosecutors; stresses the need to rationalise the judicial network, and to further improve capacities to monitor *and eventually clear* backlogs at courts *by increasing the rate and speed of proceedings while also reducing* further the number of pending cases;

Or. en

Amendment 87
Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Notes progress in judiciary reform, including improved institutional capacities; remains concerned about undue influence on judicial independence, especially with regard to the appointment of judges; emphasises the need to strengthen the accountability of the judiciary by developing a track record of implementation of codes of ethics and of the new disciplinary systems for judges and prosecutors; stresses the need to rationalise the judicial network, and to further improve capacities to monitor backlogs at courts and to reduce further the number of pending cases;

Amendment

7. Notes progress in judiciary reform, including improved institutional capacities; remains concerned about undue influence on judicial independence, especially with regard to the appointment of judges; emphasises the need to strengthen the accountability of the judiciary by developing a track record of implementation of codes of ethics and of the new disciplinary systems for judges and prosecutors; ***highlights the urgent need to tackle the non-implementation of court decisions regarding access to information and to counter the prevalent practice of declaring documents as confidential - while not necessarily warranted - in order to restrict access;*** stresses the need to rationalise the judicial network, and to further improve capacities to monitor backlogs at courts and to reduce further the number of pending cases; ***highlights the importance of raising public awareness to the existing complaint mechanisms; while some progress was made in the follow-up of war crimes, expresses regret that the judicial decisions reached so far have contained legal mistakes and shortcomings in the application of international humanitarian law; furthermore, Montenegro needs to***

ensure unfettered access to justice and compensation for victims of war crimes;

Or. en

Amendment 88
Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 89
Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

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Or. hr

Amendment 90
Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

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developing a track record of implementation of codes of ethics and of the new disciplinary systems for judges and prosecutors; stresses the need to rationalise the judicial network, and to further improve capacities to monitor backlogs at courts and to reduce further the number of pending cases; ***is concerned about the lack of institutional and individual accountability and responsibility for insufficient results when it comes to processing indictments for corruption, money laundering and organised crime;***

Or. en

Amendment 91

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Marietje Schaake, Javier Nart, Ivo Vajgl, Paavo Väyrynen, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7 a. Calls on Montenegrin authorities to take a more proactive approach in following up on outstanding allegations of war crimes as well as to fight impunity; emphasises the need to effectively investigate, prosecute, try and punish war crimes in line with international standards; is concerned that no charges have been brought against officials at the top of command chain, and in regard to crimes of co-perpetration and aiding and abetting; stresses the need to effectively ensure that victims of war crimes have equal access to justice and reparations and calls for the full protection of witnesses;

Or. en

Amendment 92
Andrey Kovatchev
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. **Welcomes** the further strengthening of the anti-corruption framework, inter alia by making the Anti-Corruption Agency fully operational and by appointing special anti-corruption prosecutors; considers it essential to ensure their independence in investigations; stresses repeatedly the need to establish a track record on successful investigations and convictions, in particular in high-level corruption cases, and on measures to prevent corruption; calls on the new government to make combating corruption one of its priorities by allocating sufficient human and budgetary resources to the task;

Amendment

8. **Notes with concern that corruption remains prevalent in many areas, but** welcomes the further strengthening of the anti-corruption framework, inter alia by making the Anti-Corruption Agency fully operational and by appointing special anti-corruption prosecutors **as well as addressing the needs for specialised long-term training**; considers it essential to ensure their independence in investigations; **emphasizes the importance of making the confiscation of assets routine during corruption proceedings**; stresses repeatedly the need to establish a track record on successful investigations and convictions, in particular in high-level corruption cases, and on measures to prevent corruption **including applying sanctions provided for by law effectively**; calls on the new government to make combating corruption one of its priorities by allocating sufficient human and budgetary resources to the task; **calls for an effective investigation into potential whistle-blowing cases and their adequate protection; calls attention to the fact that illicit enrichment has not been made a criminal offence in Montenegro and calls on the government to do so**;

Or. en

Amendment 93

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marietje Schaake, Marielle de Sarnez, Javier Nart, Ivo Vajgl, Paavo Väyrynen, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

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by making the Anti-Corruption Agency fully operational and by appointing special anti-corruption prosecutors; considers it essential to ensure their independence in investigations; stresses repeatedly the need to establish a track record on successful investigations and convictions, in particular in high-level corruption cases, and on measures to prevent corruption; calls *for criminalising illicit enrichment*; calls on the new government to make combating corruption one of its priorities by allocating sufficient human and budgetary resources to the task; *regrets that sectorial action plans for areas particularly vulnerable to corruption, such as public procurement, privatisation, urban planning, education, health care, local government and police, has had very limited impact*;

Or. en

Amendment 94

Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 8**

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment 95

Raffaele Fitto

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment 96

Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8a. Calls for the establishment of closer relations and exchanges of information on combating Islamist terrorism and its funding between the

Amendment 97
Doru-Claudian Frunzulică, Nicola Caputo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. *Notes* the adoption of an action plan for fighting money laundering and terrorism financing, and the signing of the Additional Protocol to the Council of Europe's Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism; stresses the need to continue to develop the track record in organised crime cases, especially as regards trafficking in human beings and money laundering, to ensure stronger inter-agency cooperation and to further intensify regional and international cooperation in the fight against organised crime;

Amendment

9. *Welcomes* the adoption of an action plan for fighting money laundering and terrorism financing, and the signing of the Additional Protocol to the Council of Europe's Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism; stresses the need to continue to develop the track record in organised crime cases, especially as regards trafficking in human beings and money laundering, to ensure stronger inter-agency cooperation and to further intensify regional and international cooperation in the fight against organised crime;

Amendment 98
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Notes the adoption of an action plan for fighting money laundering and terrorism financing, and the signing of the Additional Protocol to the Council of Europe's Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism; stresses the need to continue to develop the track record in organised crime cases, especially as regards trafficking in human beings and money laundering, to ensure stronger inter-agency cooperation

Amendment

9. Notes the adoption of an action plan for fighting money laundering and terrorism financing, and the signing of the Additional Protocol to the Council of Europe's Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism; stresses the need to continue to develop the track record in organised crime cases, especially as regards trafficking in human beings and money laundering, to ensure stronger inter-agency cooperation

and to further intensify regional and international cooperation in the fight against organised crime;

and to further intensify regional and international cooperation in the fight against organised crime; *welcomes the positive developments with regard to the legal framework for combating trafficking in human beings; stresses, however, that additional efforts are needed with regard to identification of victims and their access to assistance, compensation and protection measures;*

Or. en

Amendment 99

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marietje Schaake, Javier Nart, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9

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Amendment

9. Notes the adoption of an action plan for fighting money laundering and terrorism financing, and the signing of the Additional Protocol to the Council of Europe's Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism; stresses the need to continue to develop the track record in organised crime cases, especially as regards trafficking in human beings and *drugs, cigarette smuggling and* money laundering, to ensure stronger inter-agency cooperation and to further intensify regional and international cooperation in the fight against organised crime; *is concerned about the lack of identification and protection of victims of trafficking as well as a general lack of understanding of international human rights standards and case-law which affect the performance of the judiciary;*

Or. en

Amendment 100 Andrey Kovatchev

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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

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9. Notes the adoption of an action plan for fighting money laundering and terrorism financing, and the signing of the Additional Protocol to the Council of Europe's Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism; stresses the need to continue to develop the track record in organised crime cases, especially as regards trafficking in human beings and money laundering, ***as well as to improve the identification and protection of victims of trafficking***; to ensure stronger inter-agency cooperation and to further intensify regional and international cooperation in the fight against organised crime; ***highlights the need to launch financial investigations systematically in parallel with regular investigations***;

Or. en

Amendment 101
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Notes the adoption of an action plan for fighting money laundering and terrorism financing, and the signing of the Additional Protocol to the Council of Europe's Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism; stresses the need to continue to develop the track record in organised crime cases, especially as regards trafficking in human beings and money laundering, to ensure stronger inter-agency cooperation and to further intensify regional and international cooperation in the fight against organised crime;

Amendment

9. Notes the adoption of an action plan for fighting money laundering and terrorism financing, and the signing of the Additional Protocol to the Council of Europe's Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism; stresses the need to continue to develop the track record in organised crime cases, especially as regards trafficking in human beings and money laundering, to ensure stronger inter-agency cooperation and to further intensify regional and international cooperation in the fight against organised crime; ***emphasises the need for Montenegro to cooperate***

effectively with the security services of the Member States, in particular by exchanging information;

Or. fr

Amendment 102

Janusz Korwin-Mikke

on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Notes the adoption of an action plan for fighting money laundering and terrorism **financing**, and the signing of the Additional Protocol to the Council of Europe's Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism; stresses the need to continue to develop the track record in organised crime cases, especially as regards trafficking in human beings and money laundering, to ensure stronger inter-agency cooperation and to further intensify regional and international cooperation in the fight against organised crime;

Amendment

9. Notes the adoption of an action plan for fighting money laundering and **financing of terrorism and transnational organised crime**, and the signing of the Additional Protocol to the Council of Europe's Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism; stresses the need to continue to develop the track record in organised crime cases, especially as regards trafficking in human beings and money laundering, to ensure stronger inter-agency cooperation and to further intensify regional and international cooperation in the fight against organised crime;

Or. en

Amendment 103

Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Notes the adoption of an action plan for fighting money laundering and terrorism financing, and the signing of the Additional Protocol to the Council of Europe's Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism; stresses the need to continue to

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develop the track record in organised crime cases, especially as regards trafficking in human beings and money laundering, to ensure stronger inter-agency cooperation and to further intensify regional and international cooperation in the fight against organised crime;

develop the track record in organised crime cases, especially as regards trafficking in human beings and money laundering *where results are limited*, to ensure stronger inter-agency cooperation and to further intensify regional and international cooperation in the fight against organised crime;

Or. en

Amendment 104
Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. *Expresses concern at the continuing high volume of cigarette smuggling through Montenegro; calls on the Montenegrin authorities to make the fight against that smuggling a top priority, because the proceeds are funding organised crime groups and terrorist networks; expresses alarm at the newspaper investigations which have confirmed that between 2013 and 2015 3.5 million kilogrammes of cigarettes were smuggled between the Montenegrin port of Bar and ports in Libya under the control of Daesh or al-Qaeda forces;*

Or. fr

Amendment 105
Doru-Claudian Frunzuliță, Nicola Caputo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Welcomes the new strategy to combat violent extremism in 2016-2018, which complements the national strategy

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for preventing and combating terrorism, money laundering and the financing of terrorism; notes the setting up of a new intelligence unit tasked with identifying and monitoring potential members of violent extremist groups; considers it **important** to identify people in the early stages of radicalisation in order to prevent them from being recruited by violent extremist groups;

for preventing and combating terrorism, money laundering and the financing of terrorism; notes the setting up of a new intelligence unit tasked with identifying and monitoring potential members of violent extremist groups; considers it **fundamental** to identify people in the early stages of radicalisation in order to prevent them from being recruited by violent extremist groups;

Or. en

Amendment 106
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the new strategy to combat violent extremism in 2016-2018, which complements the national strategy for preventing and combating terrorism, money laundering and the financing of terrorism; notes the setting up of a new intelligence unit tasked with identifying and monitoring potential members of violent extremist groups; considers it important to identify people in the early stages of radicalisation in order to prevent them from being recruited by violent extremist groups;

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Or. en

Amendment 107
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution

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Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

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Or. fr

Amendment 108 Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the new strategy to combat violent extremism in 2016-2018, which complements the national strategy for preventing and combating terrorism, money laundering and the financing of terrorism; notes the setting up of a new intelligence unit tasked with identifying and monitoring potential members of violent extremist groups; considers it important to identify people in the early stages of radicalisation in order to prevent them from being recruited by violent extremist groups;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the new strategy to combat violent extremism in 2016-2018, which complements the national strategy for preventing and combating terrorism, money laundering and the financing of terrorism; notes the setting up of a new intelligence unit tasked with identifying and monitoring potential members of violent extremist groups; considers it important to identify people in the early stages of radicalisation in order to prevent them from being recruited by violent extremist groups; ***calls on the importance of raising institutional awareness to monitor possible terrorist threats;***

Or. en

Amendment 109
Javi López

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the new strategy to combat violent extremism in 2016-2018, which complements the national strategy for preventing and combating terrorism, money laundering and the financing of terrorism; notes the setting up of a new intelligence unit tasked with identifying and monitoring potential members of violent extremist groups; considers it important to identify people in the early stages of radicalisation in order to prevent them from being recruited by violent extremist groups;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the new strategy to combat violent extremism in 2016-2018, which complements the national strategy for preventing and combating terrorism, money laundering and the financing of terrorism; notes the setting up of a new intelligence unit tasked with identifying and monitoring potential members of violent extremist groups; considers it important to identify people in the early stages of radicalisation in order to prevent them from being recruited by violent extremist groups ***and to successfully reinsert them back into society as committed citizens;***

Or. en

Amendment 110
Janusz Korwin-Mikke
on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs
Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the new strategy to combat violent extremism in 2016-2018, which complements the national strategy for preventing and combating terrorism, money laundering and the financing of terrorism; notes the setting up of a new intelligence unit tasked with identifying and monitoring potential members of violent extremist groups; considers it important to identify people in the early stages of radicalisation in order to prevent

Amendment

10. Welcomes the new strategy to combat violent extremism in 2016-2018, which complements the national strategy for preventing and combating terrorism, money laundering and the financing of terrorism; notes the setting up of a new intelligence unit tasked with identifying and monitoring potential members of violent extremist ***terrorist*** groups; considers it important to identify people in the early stages of radicalisation in order to

them from being recruited by violent extremist groups;

prevent them from being recruited by violent extremist *terrorist* groups;

Or. en

Amendment 111

Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. While acknowledging CSOs' involvement in the accession preparations, calls on the competent authorities to further improve CSOs' access to EU-related information and to ensure that consultations with CSOs are held in a meaningful way, where possible; is deeply concerned that smear campaigns and intimidation attempts have continued against certain CSO activists;

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Or. fr

Amendment 112

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marietje Schaake, Javier Nart, Ivo Vajgl, Paavo Väyrynen, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

11. While acknowledging CSOs' involvement in the accession preparations, calls on the competent authorities to further improve CSOs' access to EU-related information and to ensure that consultations with CSOs are held in a meaningful way, where possible; is ***of the opinion that authorities need to develop a more supportive and inclusive approach to facilitate grassroots activities by civil society, as well as to constructively accept criticism of state institutions, and to***

increase CSO's level of consultation in policy-making and their access to information; calls on authorities to encourage CSOs to actively participate in the overview of the whole electoral process and have observers in all bodies for conducting elections; is deeply concerned that smear campaigns and intimidation attempts have continued against certain CSO activists; urges authorities to establish a sustainable and efficient system of public funding for CSOs and an appropriate institutional and legal framework; insists on proper implementation, in line with legal requirements, of the law on gaming that is the largest source of public financing for CSOs;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. While acknowledging CSOs' involvement in the accession preparations, calls on the competent authorities to further improve CSOs' access to EU-related information and to ensure that consultations with CSOs are held in a meaningful way, where possible; is deeply concerned that smear campaigns and intimidation attempts have continued against certain CSO activists;

Amendment

11. While acknowledging CSOs' involvement in the accession preparations, calls on the competent authorities to further improve CSOs' access to EU-related information and to ensure that consultations with CSOs are held in a meaningful way, where possible; ***emphasises the need for adopting appropriate and transparent procedures for the allocation of state funds to the CSOs at the national and local level;*** is deeply concerned that smear campaigns and intimidation attempts have continued against certain CSO activists;

Or. en

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. While acknowledging CSOs' involvement in the accession preparations, calls on the competent authorities to further improve CSOs' access to EU-related information and to ensure that consultations with CSOs are held in a meaningful way, where possible; is deeply concerned that smear campaigns and intimidation attempts have continued against certain CSO activists;

Amendment

11. While acknowledging CSOs' involvement in the accession preparations, calls on the competent authorities to further improve CSOs' access to EU-related information and to ensure that consultations with CSOs are held in a meaningful way, where possible; is deeply concerned that smear campaigns and intimidation attempts have continued against certain CSO activists; ***calls on the authorities to investigate and clarify the cause of these attempts and to strengthen efforts in order to protect CSO activists;***

Or. en

Amendment 115

Anneliese Dodds, Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. While acknowledging CSOs' involvement in the accession preparations, calls on the competent authorities to further improve CSOs' access to EU-related information and to ensure that consultations with CSOs are held in a meaningful way, where possible; is deeply concerned that smear campaigns and intimidation attempts have continued against certain CSO activists;

Amendment

11. While acknowledging CSOs' involvement in the accession preparations, calls on the competent authorities to further improve CSOs' access to EU-related information and to ensure that consultations with CSOs are held in a meaningful way, where possible; is deeply concerned that smear campaigns and intimidation attempts have continued against certain CSO activists; ***calls on the relevant authorities to create conditions conducive to voluntary work and a greater degree of civic engagement;***

Or. en

Amendment 116
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. *Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;*

Amendment

12. *Expresses concern at the interference by the Montenegrin Government in church matters, in particular its promotion of the Montenegrin Orthodox Church over the Serbian Orthodox Church, to which the territory of Montenegro is subject under canon law; condemns the persecution by the Montenegrin authorities of clergy and lay members of the Serbian Orthodox Church;*

Or. fr

Amendment 117
Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, *notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society*; remains concerned

Amendment

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible

that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

to people with disabilities;

Or. et

Amendment 118
Javi López

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, *notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society*; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Amendment

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Or. en

Amendment 119
Georgios Eptideios

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of

Amendment

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of

Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of **LGBTI people, notwithstanding the** difficulties in acceptance **of sexual diversity within** Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of **sexually diverse individuals with** difficulties in **finding** acceptance, **without transgressing the social mores and principles of** Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Or. el

Amendment 120
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion **of Roma and Egyptians**; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Amendment

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; **underlines, however, that Roma and Egyptian populations in Montenegro experience permanent poverty and are vulnerable to social exclusion and** welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the **their** social inclusion; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Or. en

Amendment 121
Anneliese Dodds, Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Amendment

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; ***remains concerned about the access of Roma, Egyptian minorities and Ashkali people to health care, education, housing and employment; calls on the authorities to address the double discrimination of Roma women on account of both their ethnicity and their gender;*** encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; ***calls on the authorities to urgently roll out systematic anti-discrimination campaigns in schools and universities;*** remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities; ***remains concerned that the number of employed people with disabilities is still very limited, and calls on the authorities to utilise fully the resources from the Professional Rehabilitation Fund in accordance with its purpose;***

Or. en

Amendment 122
Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marietje Schaake, Javier Nart, Ivo Vajgl, Paavo Väyrynen, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Amendment

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; ***is concerned about the vulnerable position of women and girls in the Roma community including forced child marriages;*** welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; ***is concerned about persistent attacks against LGBTI community members and activists;*** encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; ***calls on authorities to make further efforts on raising awareness about anti-discrimination among general public;*** remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Or. en

Amendment 123
Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people,

Amendment

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people,

notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities; ***calls on the Montenegrin authorities to further protect the multinational identity of the Boka Kotorska region and enhance its cultural and economic cooperation with neighbouring EU Member States;***

Or. en

Amendment 124
László Tóké, Kinga Gál

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Amendment

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities ***by completing several legislative reforms to further align with the EU and international human rights standards and ensure that adequate mechanisms are in place to protect vulnerable groups from discrimination;*** welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Or. en

Amendment 125

Janusz Korwin-Mikke

on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Amendment

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly ***and calls for the Roma and Egyptians to make the necessary efforts for the action plan to be successful***; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Or. en

Amendment 126

Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly; encourages the competent

Amendment

12. Notes some progress in improving the situation of minorities; welcomes the adoption of a 2016-2020 strategy and action plan for the social inclusion of Roma and Egyptians; calls for an appropriate budget to be allocated so that the action plan may be implemented properly, ***and calls for further efforts to be***

authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

made to preserve the multiethnic identity of the Bay of Kotor; encourages the competent authorities to continue to strengthen efforts to safeguard the rights of LGBTI people, notwithstanding the difficulties in acceptance of sexual diversity within Montenegrin society; remains concerned that most public buildings, including medical centres and university faculties, are still not accessible to people with disabilities;

Or. hr

Amendment 127

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marietje Schaake, Marielle de Sarnez, Javier Nart, Ivo Vajgl, Paavo Väyrynen, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Calls for a further strengthening of human rights institutions, including the Ombudsperson and the Ministry of Human Rights and Minorities, and is of opinion that their knowledge of international and European human rights law and standards should be increased; is concerned about the lack of a uniform approach and low levels of penalties for human rights violations;

Or. en

Amendment 128

Anneliese Dodds, Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13. Remains concerned about continued gender-based violence, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support

13. Remains concerned about continued gender-based violence, the lack of prosecutions, *the extremely mild penal*

to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; stresses the importance of **encouraging women's representation** in politics, **as well as their access to** the labour market; notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality;

policy for perpetrators and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, **to prosecute and punish perpetrators efficiently in line with international standards**, to make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and **to** implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; **calls on the competent authorities to ensure proper protection, long term accommodation, financial support and educational programs for victims of forced marriages and efficient prosecution of perpetrators; regrets that Montenegro has only 22% female Members of Parliament**; stresses the importance of **equal representation of women and men** in politics; **regrets that women remain underrepresented in** the labour market; **calls for effective measures to overcome the issues of undeclared work and the concentration of women in low-paid sectors of employment, and to address the lack of flexible work arrangements and childcare facilities**; notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality; **regrets that there is a lack of gender mainstreaming and gender impact assessment of social and employment policies**;

Or. en

Amendment 129
Kati Piri

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Remains concerned about continued gender-based violence, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection

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Amendment

13. Remains concerned about continued gender-based violence, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection

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services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; stresses the importance of encouraging women's representation in politics, as well as their access to the labour market; ***notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality***;

services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; stresses the importance of encouraging women's representation in politics, as well as their access to the labour market; ***calls for the development of public policy which helps to balance work and family relations in order to decrease gender gaps***;

Or. en

Amendment 130
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Remains concerned about continued gender-based violence, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; stresses the importance of encouraging women's representation in politics, ***as well as their access to*** the labour market; notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality;

Amendment

13. Remains concerned about continued gender-based violence, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; stresses the importance of encouraging women's representation in politics; ***urges the authorities to repeal the legislative measures that discourage women participation in*** the labour market; notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality;

Or. en

Amendment 131
Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution

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Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Remains concerned about continued **gender-based** violence, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; stresses the importance of encouraging women's representation in politics, as well as their access to the labour market; notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality;

Amendment

13. Remains concerned about continued **violence against women and domestic** violence, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; stresses the importance of encouraging women's representation in politics, as well as their access to the labour market; notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality;

Or. el

Amendment 132

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marietje Schaake, Marielle de Sarnez, Javier Nart, Ivo Vajgl, Paavo Väyrynen, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Remains concerned about continued gender-based violence, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; stresses the importance of encouraging women's representation in politics, as well as their access to the labour market; notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality;

Amendment

13. Remains concerned about continued gender-based **domestic and sexual** violence, **as well as prevalence of femicide, widespread gender-selective abortions on the detriment of female sex**, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; **underlines the importance to educate and train employees in state institutions to work with victims**; stresses the importance of encouraging women's

representation in politics, *including in key decision-making positions*, as well as their access to the labour market; notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality; *urges the competent authorities to make sufficient budget allocations for its implementation*;

Or. en

Amendment 133
Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Remains concerned about continued gender-based violence, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; stresses the importance of encouraging women's representation in politics, as well as their access to the labour market; notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality;

Amendment

13. Remains concerned about continued gender-based violence, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; stresses the importance of encouraging women's representation in politics, as well as their access to the labour market; notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality; *highlights the fact that challenges remain in coordinating policies concerning children and that violence against children remains a concern*;

Or. en

Amendment 134
Javi López

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

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Motion for a resolution

13. Remains concerned about continued gender-based violence, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; stresses the importance of encouraging women's representation in politics, as well as their access to the labour market; notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality;

Amendment

13. Remains concerned about continued gender-based violence, the lack of prosecutions and the inefficient support to, and protection of, victims; calls for measures to establish adequate protection services, enhance relevant inter-institutional coordination, make effective use of the new unified database of cases of domestic violence, and implement the 2016-2020 strategy on combating domestic violence; stresses the importance of encouraging women's representation in politics, as well as their access to the labour market *and equal pay*; notes the continued implementation of the 2013-2017 action plan on gender equality;

Or. en

Amendment 135
Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 a. Emphasises the need to work constantly and seriously on the harmonization of the Montenegrin legal system with international legal standards of human rights and freedoms of persons with disabilities, in order to respect principles of rule of law and constitutionality and legality;

Or. en

Amendment 136
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 a. Calls on the Montenegrin authorities to take the necessary measures in order to prevent violence against children, human trafficking and forced child marriages that continue to be reported by NGOs;

Or. en

Amendment 137
Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 a. Calls on Montenegro to take the required steps in prosecuting war crimes and to compensate the victims for the damage suffered at the imprisonment camps Morinj and Kumbor;

Or. en

Amendment 138
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses

aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, *and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence*;

aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG;

Or. fr

Amendment 139
David McAllister

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Remains concerned about the state of *media freedom* in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence;

Amendment

14. Remains concerned about the state of *freedom of expression and media* in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence;

Or. en

Amendment 140
Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence;

Amendment

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence, ***including the 2004 murder case***, against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; ***is also concerned about attacks perpetrated by police forces and about recent cases of pressure and intimidation against journalists, including smear campaigns, physical attacks and threats, as well as cases of interference with media during anti-government demonstrations, including arbitrary arrests and seizure of equipment; is also concerned by continued lack of proper investigation into these attacks and of resolution of these cases, leading to a chilling effect on freedom of expression***; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence; ***encourages the EU Delegation and EU Member States to more regularly attend trials against journalists and media professionals***;

Or. en

Amendment 141
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence;

Amendment

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; ***deplors that no concrete progress has been made in the resolution of cases of attacks on journalists***; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists , to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence; ***stresses the need to support and strengthen existing self-regulatory mechanisms to raise professional standards of journalism, without any interference from legislative or executive authorities***;

Or. en

Amendment 142
Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against,

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Amendment

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; ***and notes that while defamation was decriminalised in 2012, the number of***

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intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence;

defamation cases remains high which points to weak self-regulation; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; ***highlights the importance for the judiciary to align their decisions to the maximum possible extent with the case-law of the European Court of Human Rights;*** insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence;

Or. en

Amendment 143

László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks

Amendment

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks

on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence;

on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence; *stresses that the revised Code of Ethics for Journalists must be effectively and uniformly applied across the media community;*

Or. en

Amendment 144
Anneliese Dodds, Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence;

Amendment

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence; *calls on the EU Delegation in Montenegro to observe the trial of the journalist Jovo Martinovic;*

Or. en

Amendment 145

Kati Piri

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence;

Amendment

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro **and the lack of effective investigations by the government into attacks on journalists**; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence;

Or. en

Amendment 146

Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free journalism; insists on

Amendment

14. Remains concerned about the state of media freedom in Montenegro; urges again the competent authorities to resolve the long-pending cases of violence against, intimidation of and threats made to journalists, to take measures to protect media professionals and to create a safe environment for free **and**

transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence;

investigative journalism; insists on transparent state advertising in private media, on the amendment of the Montenegrin criminal code and on the introduction of new criminal offenses aimed at preventing and punishing attacks on journalists discharging their professional duties; acknowledges the legal measures taken to provide greater financial independence and sustainability for the public service broadcaster RTCG, and calls for further steps to ensure its independence, including editorial independence;

Or. en

Amendment 147
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14 a. Notes, in respect to the 2016 elections, that the SEC (State Election Commission) limited media access; calls for implementing the recommendations regarding media put forward by the Final Report of the OSCE/ODIHR Election Observation Mission on Parliamentary Elections 2016;

Or. en

Amendment 148
Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14 a. Express concerns of the continued detention of journalist Jovo Martinovic and the lack of due process of his trial, by

the use of civil defamation lawsuits disproportionately targeting critical media outlets and journalists;

Or. en

Amendment 149

Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14 b. Calls on the authorities of Montenegro to release journalist Jovo Martinovic on bail and respect due process standards in his trial;

Or. en

Amendment 150

Anneliese Dodds, Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, ***including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;***

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate ***while enhancing social rights and consumer protection; and to implement economic reforms that will create jobs and growth, build a more diverse economy and a sustainable fiscal framework; insists on the need to effectively fight tax evasion; strongly believes that the opening of chapter 19 on social policy and employment is the best incentive for the government to accelerate its work in addressing Montenegro's key challenges regarding social inclusion, poverty reduction and reducing the***

informal employment sector; welcomes the memorandum of understanding with the International Labour Organisation (ILO); calls for improvements in the social dialogue and the involvement of the social council regarding regulations related to social partners' competences;

Or. en

Amendment 151
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, *and to pursue efforts to diminish* state involvement in the economy; calls for *the rationalisation of public spending*, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;

Amendment

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector; *acknowledges the importance of* state involvement in the economy; calls for *public investments for sustainable social and economic development*, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;

Or. en

Amendment 152
Philippe Juvin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and

Amendment

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and

to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, *as well as* for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;

to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation *and restructuring* of public spending, *expresses concern at the substantial government deficit and the very large trade deficit, and calls* for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;

Or. fr

Amendment 153

Janusz Korwin-Mikke

on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

Eleftherios Synadinos

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and *contract enforcement*;

Amendment

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and *enforcement of contracts that the state public sector has entered*;

Or. en

Amendment 154

Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. While noting favourable economic developments, *urges* the new government *to* launch further structural reforms with a

Amendment

15. While noting favourable economic developments, *suggests to* the new government *that it* launch further structural

view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;

reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;

Or. fr

Amendment 155
Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;

Amendment

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate ***as well as move the country towards a competitive export-oriented industry***, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement; ***calls for the need to tackle high external imbalances as well as the rapidly rising public debt, and calls for the re-evaluation of public infrastructure investment projects which challenge fiscal sustainability; calls for ensuring that further measures of financial and non-financial measures are available to support SMEs; welcomes the fact that the prices for regional roaming services further decreased;***

Or. en

Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;

Amendment

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement; ***calls on Montenegrin authorities to invest more in innovation and sustainable projects to stimulate the economy;***

Or. en

Amendment 157 Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;

Amendment

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish ***progressively*** state involvement in the economy; ***where the above measures are successful,*** calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;

Or. el

Amendment 158
David McAllister

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;

Amendment

15. While noting favourable economic developments, urges the new government to ***take measures to ensure fiscal sustainability and to*** launch further structural reforms with a view to improving the business and investment climate, including measures aimed at reducing the informal sector, and to pursue efforts to diminish state involvement in the economy; calls for the rationalisation of public spending, as well as for intensified efforts to strengthen the rule of law and contract enforcement;

Or. en

Amendment 159

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marietje Schaake, Javier Nart, Ivo Vajgl, Paavo Väyrynen, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 a. Notes with concern that some IPA-funded capacity-building outputs were not fully used or followed up by the authorities; stresses that for positive outcomes authorities need to ensure adequate staff availability, adopt the necessary legislation to allow the output to be used and grant the necessary independence to newly created institutions;

Or. en

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Miroslav Poche

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Notes that the shadow economy of Montenegro still accounts for a large share of total GDP; recalls that the large informal economy constitutes a major bottleneck for entrepreneurship and economic growth, and encourages Montenegro to take steps to reduce the size of the shadow economy;

Or. cs

Amendment 161
Javi López

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Notes the modest decline in unemployment; welcomes the new 2016-2020 national strategy for employment and human resources development and the accompanying 2016 action plan; continues to be concerned about high youth unemployment and poor labour mobility; calls for proactive labour market measures to increase employment and to support young people through education, career guidance, training **and employment**;

16. Notes the modest decline in unemployment; welcomes the new 2016-2020 national strategy for employment and human resources development and the accompanying 2016 action plan; continues to be concerned about high youth unemployment and poor labour mobility; calls for proactive labour market measures to increase **quality** employment and to support young people through education, career guidance, training, **employment and labour rights**;

Or. en

Amendment 162
Tanja Fajon

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Notes the modest decline in unemployment; welcomes the new 2016-2020 national strategy for employment and human resources development and the accompanying 2016 action plan; continues to be concerned about high youth unemployment and poor labour mobility; calls for proactive labour market measures to increase employment and to support young people through education, career guidance, training and employment;

Amendment

16. Notes the modest decline in unemployment; welcomes the new 2016-2020 national strategy for employment and human resources development and the accompanying 2016 action plan; continues to be concerned about high youth unemployment and poor labour mobility; calls for proactive labour market measures to increase employment and to support young people through education, career guidance, training and employment; ***reiterates the importance of active participation in regional youth initiatives, such as Regional Youth Cooperation Office of the Western Balkans, including taking advantage of the existing programs designed to boost connectivity in the region and tackle youth unemployment;***

Or. en

Amendment 163

Andrey Kovatchev, Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Notes the modest decline in unemployment; welcomes the new 2016-2020 national strategy for employment and human resources development and the accompanying 2016 action plan; continues to be concerned about high youth unemployment and poor labour mobility; calls for proactive labour market measures to increase employment and to support young people through education, career guidance, training and employment;

Amendment

16. Notes the modest decline in unemployment; welcomes the new 2016-2020 national strategy for employment and human resources development and the accompanying 2016 action plan; continues to be concerned about high youth unemployment and poor labour mobility; calls for proactive labour market measures to increase employment and to support ***women, the vulnerable populations, people with disabilities and*** young people through education, career guidance, training and employment;

Or. en

Amendment 164
Andrey Kovatchev, Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16 a. *While some progress was made in developing transport infrastructure including through the South East Europe Transport Observatory, a lack of cross-border roads are hindering trade and tourism; welcomes efforts carried out so far in the interest of liberalizing the railway sector in Montenegro; calls on the need to coordinate with neighbouring countries on the issues of connectivity and allow it to become part of the planning process for infrastructure projects;*

Or. en

Amendment 165
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16 a. *Calls on the Montenegrin authorities to take the necessary measures in order to overcome health inequalities, especially access to health protection must be improved for people with disabilities, people living with HIV, children and adults who use drugs, prisoners, women in prostitution, LGBTI people, internally displaced persons and Roma;*

Or. en

Amendment 166
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16 b. *Notes that public spending on education remains low under the EU average; emphasises the need to introduce the necessary measures especially regarding early childcare and pre schooling where enrolments are regrettably low and well below the EU target of 95% by 2020; is of the view that special attention should be noted regarding the lack of access to several public universities to persons with disabilities;*

Or. en

Amendment 167

Andrey Kovatchev, Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16 b. *Stresses the importance of strengthening the SME sector and providing support through better legislation, financing, implementation of industrial policy and reducing the informal economy as well as speeding up electronic registration of companies nation-wide;*

Or. en

Amendment 168

Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

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17. Welcomes the new law on the

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environment, as well as the national strategy for the transposition and implementation of the EU acquis on the environment and climate change and its 2016-2020 action plan; stresses the need to reinforce implementation efforts, in particular in water, nature protection and waste management, as well as related administrative capacities at all levels; is concerned about the significant delay in establishing protection over the potential Natura 2000 site of Ulcinj Salina; calls for further efforts to preserve the biodiversity of the Salina and the sustainable development of the coastline; ***calls on Montenegro to introduce legislation implementing the Third Energy Package;***

environment, as well as the national strategy for the transposition and implementation of the EU acquis on the environment and climate change and its 2016-2020 action plan; stresses the need to reinforce implementation efforts, in particular in water, nature protection and waste management, as well as related administrative capacities at all levels; is concerned about the significant delay in establishing protection over the potential Natura 2000 site of Ulcinj Salina; calls for further efforts to preserve the biodiversity of the Salina and the sustainable development of the coastline;

Or. en

Amendment 169 **Dubravka Šuica**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 17**

Motion for a resolution

17. Welcomes the new law on the environment, as well as the national strategy for the transposition and implementation of the EU acquis on the environment and climate change and its 2016-2020 action plan; stresses the need to reinforce implementation efforts, in particular in water, nature protection and waste management, as well as related administrative capacities at all levels; ***is concerned about the significant*** delay in establishing protection over the potential Natura 2000 site of Ulcinj Salina; calls for further efforts to preserve the biodiversity of the Salina and the sustainable development of the coastline; calls on Montenegro to introduce legislation implementing the Third Energy Package;

Amendment

17. Welcomes the new law on the environment, as well as the national strategy for the transposition and implementation of the EU acquis on the environment and climate change and its 2016-2020 action plan; stresses the need to reinforce implementation efforts, in particular in water, nature protection and waste management, as well as related administrative capacities at all levels; ***notes that steps are being taken to address*** delay in establishing protection over the potential Natura 2000 site of Ulcinj Salina; calls for further efforts to preserve the biodiversity of the Salina and the sustainable development of the coastline; calls on Montenegro to introduce legislation implementing the Third Energy Package;

Or. en

Amendment 170
Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Welcomes the new law on the environment, as well as the national strategy for the transposition and implementation of the EU acquis on the environment *and* climate change and its 2016-2020 action plan; stresses the need to reinforce implementation efforts, in particular in water, nature protection and waste management, as well as related administrative capacities at all levels; is concerned about the significant delay in establishing protection over the potential Natura 2000 site of Ulcinj Salina; calls for further efforts to preserve the biodiversity of the Salina and the sustainable development of the coastline; calls on Montenegro to introduce legislation implementing the Third Energy Package;

Amendment

17. Welcomes the new law on the environment, as well as the national strategy for the transposition and implementation of the EU acquis on the environment, *efforts to deal with the consequences of* climate change and its 2016-2020 action plan; stresses the need to reinforce implementation efforts, in particular in water, nature protection and waste management, as well as related administrative capacities at all levels; is concerned about the significant delay in establishing protection over the potential Natura 2000 site of Ulcinj Salina; calls for further efforts to preserve the biodiversity of the Salina and the sustainable development of the coastline; calls on Montenegro to introduce legislation implementing the Third Energy Package;

Or. el

Amendment 171
Anneliese Dodds, Nikos Androulakis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Welcomes the new law on the environment, as well as the national strategy for the transposition and implementation of the EU acquis on the environment and climate change and its 2016-2020 action plan; stresses the need to reinforce implementation efforts, in particular in water, nature protection and waste management, as well as related

Amendment

17. Welcomes the new law on the environment, as well as the national strategy for the transposition and implementation of the EU acquis on the environment and climate change and its 2016-2020 action plan; stresses the need to reinforce implementation efforts, in particular in water, nature protection and waste management, as well as related

administrative capacities at all levels; is concerned about the significant delay in establishing protection over the potential Natura 2000 site of Ulcinj Salina; calls for further efforts to preserve the biodiversity of the Salina and the sustainable development of the coastline; calls on Montenegro to introduce legislation implementing the Third Energy Package;

administrative capacities at all levels; is concerned about the significant delay in establishing protection over the potential Natura 2000 site of Ulcinj Salina; calls for further efforts to preserve the biodiversity of the Salina and the sustainable development of the coastline; ***reiterates that Lake Skadar is officially designated as a national park and Ramsar site and therefore the authorities should undertake the necessary protection and conservation measures in order to maintain its ecological characteristics; notes that the authorities plan to transform the public enterprise National Parks into a state-owned, limited liability company; calls on the government of Montenegro not to use this transformation as a gateway for future privatisation and to ensure that the transformation does not have any negative impact on the protection of national parks in Montenegro;*** calls on Montenegro to introduce legislation implementing the Third Energy Package;

Or. en

Amendment 172

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marielle de Sarnez, Javier Nart, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Welcomes the new law on the environment, as well as the national strategy for the transposition and implementation of the EU acquis on the environment and climate change and its 2016-2020 action plan; stresses the need to reinforce implementation efforts, in particular in water, nature protection and waste management, as well as related administrative capacities at all levels; is concerned about the significant delay in establishing protection over the potential Natura 2000 site of Ulcinj Salina; calls for

Amendment

17. Welcomes the new law on the environment, as well as the national strategy for the transposition and implementation of the EU acquis on the environment and climate change and its 2016-2020 action plan; stresses the need to reinforce implementation efforts, in particular in water ***quality***, nature protection and waste management, as well as related administrative capacities at all levels; is concerned about the significant delay in establishing protection over the potential Natura 2000 site of Ulcinj Salina;

further efforts to preserve the biodiversity of the Salina and the sustainable development of the coastline; calls on Montenegro to introduce legislation implementing the Third Energy Package;

calls for further efforts to preserve the biodiversity of the Salina and the sustainable development of the coastline; ***notes the awarding of six concession contracts for the exploration of offshore oil and gas blocks in the Adriatic Sea, and calls on authorities to keep vigilant oversight over the operations and to implement all protective measures in accordance with adopted legislation, regulations and EU acquis***; calls on Montenegro to introduce legislation implementing the Third Energy Package, ***particularly Renewable Energy Directive***;

Or. en

Amendment 173

Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 17**

Motion for a resolution

17. ***Welcomes*** the new law on the environment, as well as the national strategy for the transposition and implementation of the EU acquis on the environment and climate change and its 2016-2020 action plan; stresses the need to reinforce implementation efforts, in particular in water, nature protection and waste management, as well as related administrative capacities at all levels; is concerned about the significant delay in establishing protection over the potential Natura 2000 site of Ulcinj Salina; calls for further efforts to preserve the biodiversity of the Salina and the sustainable development of the coastline; calls on Montenegro to introduce legislation implementing the Third Energy Package;

Amendment

17. ***Honours the fact that according to its constitution Montenegro is an ecological state***; welcomes the new law on the environment, as well as the national strategy for the transposition and implementation of the EU acquis on the environment and climate change and its 2016-2020 action plan; stresses the need to reinforce implementation efforts, in particular in water, nature protection and waste management, as well as related administrative capacities at all levels; is concerned about the significant delay in establishing protection over the potential Natura 2000 site of Ulcinj Salina; calls for further efforts to preserve the biodiversity of the Salina and the sustainable development of the coastline ***and national parks***; ***is concerned about significant delays in establishing protection over protected areas which are identified as potential Natura 2000 network areas***; calls on Montenegro to introduce legislation

implementing the Third Energy Package;

Or. en

Amendment 174
Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17 a. Acknowledges the good progress made in the area of energy, including in the area of interconnections with partner countries; calls on Montenegro to introduce legislation implementing the Third Energy Package; welcomes the fact that wholesale electricity prices are freely formed and that Montenegro has a favourable environment for energy investments; calls on the country to adopt the implementing legislation for the Renewable Energy Directive; highlights that the planning of new hydropower projects should take into account the relevant EU legislation on the environment, while taking note of incentives for the use of renewable sources;

Or. en

Amendment 175
Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17 a. Recognises concerns expressed in the framework of the Ramsar and Bern conventions regarding the development process of the Special Purpose Spatial Plan for Skadar Lake National Park and

the infinite opportunities it leaves for the creation of large scale tourist infrastructure development; is deeply concerned about threats to the ecological integrity and eco-touristic value of the potential Natura 2000 site Skadar Lake National Park due to the construction project Porto Skadar Lake; recalls the need for sound and strategic environmental impact assessments in line with the EU acquis and international standards;

Or. en

Amendment 176
Željana Zovko

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17 a. In light of the preparation for the Western Balkans summit in Italy 2017, calls on the Montenegrin authorities to increase efforts to implement legal and regulatory measures in the field of transport and energy sector (soft measures), in order to fulfil the Connectivity Agenda of the European Union;

Or. en

Amendment 177
Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17 b. Continues to be deeply concerned about unsustainable hydropower development, especially including

hydropower plants development on Morača river and their significant impacts on Skadar lake which is internationally recognized as Ramsar, Emerald site, Important Bird Area (IBA) and Important Plant Area (IPA);

Or. en

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Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17 c. Notes the intention of the Montenegrin Government to build around 80 hydropower plants; is concerned about the fact that many of these plants are being planned without sound environmental impact assessment, in particular with regard to the protection of biodiversity and their impact on protected areas as required by EU legislation; calls for strategic planning approach in accordance with the guiding principles for sustainable hydropower development of the International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River set under the Danube River Protection Convention to which Montenegro is a signatory state; stresses the need to abandon large scale hydropower projects on the river Morača as these have significant adverse effects on lake Skadar and river Tara, which are protected under international and national legislation; recalls that the Skadar Lake is internationally recognized as Ramsar and Emerald site, as important bird and plant area;

Or. en

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Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltes
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17 d. Stresses the need to implement international commitments in the field of climate change mitigation; is deeply concerned about the Government's plan to develop the Pljevlja II coal-fired power plant which is incompatible with the commitments made under the Paris Agreement;

Or. en

Amendment 180
James Carver

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

18. Reaffirms the right of sovereign states to maintain and execute an independent foreign and security policy;

Or. en

Amendment 181
Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

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Motion for a resolution

18. **Welcomes** Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; **commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy**; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

Amendment

18. **Notes** Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

Or. fr

Amendment 182
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; **commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy**; **encourages it** to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

Amendment

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; **encourages** Montenegro to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

Or. en

Amendment 183
Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for **continuing fully to align its foreign policy with** the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

Amendment

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for **taking into account the requirements of** the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy, **having first upheld its national sovereignty**; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

Or. el

Amendment 184

Željana Zovko

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, **including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia**;

Amendment

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, **such as successful bilateral agreement between Montenegro and Bosnia and Herzegovina on the border dispute in Sutorina, therefore calls for similar proactive engagement in resolving border disputes with Croatia (Prevlaka), prosecution of the war crimes, resolving the issues of the succession of property**;

Or. en

Amendment 185

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Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; ***encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit,*** outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

Amendment

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation ***and encourages further cooperation in this regard;*** commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; ***welcomes Montenegro's participation in the EU's CSDP's missions; encourages it to continue to address*** outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia; ***welcomes the border demarcation agreement with Bosnia and Herzegovina; positively notes Montenegro's ratification of the border demarcation agreement with Kosovo; commends cooperation with neighbouring countries under the Sarajevo Declaration Process;***

Or. en

Amendment 186
Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and

Amendment

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; ***welcomes the trilateral meetings at a high level with Croatia and Albania with the aim of bringing Montenegro closer to Euro-Atlantic integration;*** encourages it to continue to address, in a

Croatia;

constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia; *renews its call on the authorities to help resolve the succession issues related to the legacy of the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (SFRY), including the military and naval legacy; encourages Montenegro to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours as early as possible in the accession process; calls on the Montenegrin authorities to comply fully with the provisions on succession of the former SFRY, especially as regards military assets;*

Or. en

Amendment 187

Marietje Schaake, Jozo Radoš

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

Amendment

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy, *including the decision by Montenegrin authorities to align its foreign policy with Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/1671, renewing EU restrictive measures against Russia* ; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

Or. en

Amendment 188

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marietje Schaake, Marielle de Sarnez, Javier Nart, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

Amendment

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia; ***urges Montenegro to comply with the EU common positions on the integrity of the Rome Statute and related EU guiding principles on bilateral immunity agreements;***

Or. en

Amendment 189

Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and

Amendment

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and

Croatia;

Croatia; ***underlines the continuation of negotiations regarding the adjustment of the border crossing and border traffic agreements;***

Or. en

Amendment 190
Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

Amendment

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia ***and the issues of legal succession in relation to the legacy of the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (SFRY), inter alia with regard to the army and navy;***

Or. hr

Amendment 191
László Tóké, Kinga Gál

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and constructive role in regional and international cooperation; commends Montenegro for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the

Amendment

18. Welcomes Montenegro's proactive participation and ***continued*** constructive role in regional and international cooperation ***and in good neighborly relations; strongly*** commends Montenegro

EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

for continuing fully to align its foreign policy with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy; encourages it to continue to address, in a constructive and neighbourly spirit, outstanding bilateral issues with its neighbours, including the unresolved border demarcation issues with Serbia and Croatia;

Or. en

Amendment 192

Marietje Schaake, Jozo Radoš

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 a. Notes that Montenegro, while not on the 'Western Balkan route', remains a transit country for refugees and migrants, the majority of which come from Syria; calls on Montenegrin authorities to ensure that migrants and refugees applying for asylum in Montenegro or traveling through Montenegrin territory, are treated in accordance with international and EU law, including the 1951 Refugee Conventions and the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights;

Or. en

Amendment 193

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marietje Schaake, Javier Nart, Ivo Vajgl, Paavo Väyrynen, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 a. Calls on the Commission to continue the work on migration related issues with all the countries of the Western Balkans, in order to make sure

that European and international norms and standards are followed, welcomes the work done so far and underlines that adequate IPA funding should be set aside to this end;

Or. en

Amendment 194

Jozo Radoš, Petras Auštrevičius, Urmas Paet, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Marietje Schaake, Marielle de Sarnez, Javier Nart, Ivan Jakovčić

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 b. Welcomes the active participation of Montenegro in the 2016 Paris summit on Western Balkans, notably on the connectivity agenda; calls on the authorities to implement newly signed border crossing agreement with Albania and to implement the Trans-European Network Regulation with regard to licensing and permitting the open access to railway market; notes that even railway market in Montenegro has been open to competition since 2014, to date, no private operators have shown interest in entering the market; calls on new government to provide an open railway market, with transparent track access charges and capacity allocation that are fully aligned with the acquis;

Or. en

Amendment 195

Kati Piri

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19. Welcomes the fact that

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Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; encourages NATO members within the EU to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process;

Or. en

Amendment 196
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19. Welcomes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; encourages NATO members within the EU to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process;

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Or. en

Amendment 197
Ulrike Lunacek, Terry Reintke, Igor Šoltés
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19. Welcomes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; encourages NATO members within the

19. Notes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members;

EU to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process;

Or. en

Amendment 198
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. *Welcomes* the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; *encourages NATO members within the EU to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process;*

Amendment

19. *Takes notes of* the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members

Or. en

Amendment 199
Takis Hadjigeorgiou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. *Welcomes* the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; *encourages NATO members within the EU to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process;*

Amendment

19. *Notes* the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; *acknowledges that the accession process remains highly controversial for the people of Montenegro; encourages the Montenegro authorities that such a delicate decision should be taken in a properly organized referendum;*

Amendment 200

Nikos Androulakis, Goffredo Maria Bettini, Pier Antonio Panzeri

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. ***Welcomes*** the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; encourages NATO members within the EU to ***prioritise*** the ratification process ***and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration*** process;

Amendment

19. ***Notes*** the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; encourages NATO members within the EU to ***conclude*** the ratification process; ***recalls that the EU accession negotiations are independent from the NATO accession*** process;

Amendment 201

James Carver

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Welcomes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; ***encourages NATO members within the EU to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration*** process;

Amendment

19. Welcomes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members;

Amendment 202

Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, Edouard Ferrand

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. **Welcomes** the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; **encourages** NATO members within the EU **to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process**;

Amendment

19. **Notes** the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; **calls on** NATO members within the EU **not to ratify Montenegro's accession to NATO, which would constitute a significant stage in the development of the internal political crisis in Montenegro, creating fresh divides in society; points out that Montenegro, which was then part of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, was bombed by NATO in 1999**;

Or. fr

Amendment 203

Georgios Epitideios

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Welcomes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; encourages NATO members within the EU to **prioritise** the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process;

Amendment

19. Welcomes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; encourages NATO members within the EU to **support** the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process;

Or. el

Amendment 204

Urmas Paet

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Welcomes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; encourages NATO members within the EU to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important *symbolic and* strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process;

Amendment

19. Welcomes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; encourages NATO members within the EU to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process;

Or. et

Amendment 205
Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Welcomes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 *and* is currently being ratified by NATO members; encourages NATO members within the EU to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process;

Amendment

19. Welcomes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016, *as a recognition of its reform efforts, and it* is currently being ratified by NATO members; encourages NATO members within the EU to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process

Or. en

Amendment 206
Dubravka Šuica

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Welcomes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members; encourages NATO members within the EU to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process;

Amendment

19. Welcomes the fact that Montenegro's NATO Accession Protocol was signed in May 2016 and is currently being ratified by NATO members, ***as NATO is an important factor for stability and peace in the Western Balkans***; encourages NATO members within the EU to prioritise the ratification process and to recognise that NATO membership for Montenegro is an important symbolic and strategic part of the country's Euro-Atlantic integration process;

Or. en