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## **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

to wind up the debate on the statement by the Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

pursuant to Rule 110(2) of the Rules of Procedure

on the situation in Kyrgyzstan

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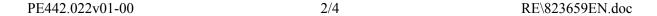
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## European Parliament resolution on the situation in Kyrgyzstan

The European Parliament,

- having regard to having regard to its previous resolutions on Kyrgyzstan and Central Asia,
- having regard to the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement (PCA) between the EU and Kyrgyzstan that entered into force in 1999,
- having regard to the European Community Regional Strategy Paper for Assistance to Central Asia for the period 2007-2013,
- having regard to Rule 110(2) of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the former president Kurmanbek Bakiyev, who first took office in July 2005, was re-elected last year for another term as president in an election that independent monitors said were tainted by massive fraud; whereas after his initial democratic undertakings Bakiyev's rule turned authoritarian and repressive and his regime was widely perceived as corrupted and marred by abuses of authority,
- B. whereas the previous government delayed for months the payment of salaries and pensions; whereas at the same time the former president Bakiyev clan transferred millions of dollars to offshore bank accounts.
- C. whereas 84 people died and more than 500 people were injured when on 7 April Kyrgyz troops intervened reacting on protests against a sharp increase in prices for electricity and heating,
- D. whereas approximately 2000 people have been killed in fighting between Kyrgyz and Uzbeks in the south of Kyrgyzstan in June 2010,
- E. whereas not only the political situation, but also the social and economic situation in Kyrgyzstan is still unstable; whereas deplorably Kyrgyzstan is to a great extent characterised by poverty and a multitude of serious threats against human security,
- F. whereas the referendum on the new constitution took place on 27 June and the interim leader Roza Otunbayeva was inaugurated as a president and will form a government,
- G. whereas the EU is essential as an aid donor present in Kyrgyzstan,
- H. whereas both the US and Russia have military bases in the country; whereas after a decision of the Parliament to close the US military basis the US government increased the payments considerably and achieved a prolongation until summer 2010; whereas the Bakiyev government intensified new negotiations with the US on a long-term agreement; whereas the US military base in Kyrgyzstan is of great importance for the military supply for the troops in Afghanistan,





- I. whereas the government of the Russian Federation has adopted a package of 50 million dollars in economic assistance to Kyrgyzstan along with shipments of gasoline and diesel,
- 1. Expresses it deepest concern at the situation in Kyrgyzstan and offers its condolences to the families of all the victims of the tragic events;
- 2. Calls for a thorough investigation of the events; underlines the importance to ensure that anyone responsible for the massive violence is brought to justice in fair proceedings and that the victims and their families get assistance and compensation;
- 3. Calls on all international actors to restrain and to avoid any interference into the internal affairs of Kyrgyzstan and to respect the independent rights of Kyrgyzstan; calls for the closure of all foreign military bases in the region, especially the ones used by US forces for the war in Afghanistan;
- 4. Urges the government to make all efforts to maintain peace in the south of Kyrgyzstan;
- 5. Supports the aspirations of the Kyrgyz people for the improvement of their living standards; reiterates that it is the people of Kyrgyzstan who have suffered from an increase in housing costs and the privatisation of key industries for the benefit of an oligarchic minority; condemns the repressive measures by the former government which banned internet sites, the Stan TV internet portal and protests as well as arresting opposition leaders;
- 6. Notes the results of the referendum on the new constitution held on 27 June and the announcement of new general elections on 10 October;
- 7. Urges the government to make all efforts so as to create the conditions for and effective and transparent system that can curb the dominance of clan politics and stimulate political, social and economic development; stresses that efforts must now be focused on improving peoples' lives through national development and empowerment of citizens;
- 8. Underlines the necessity to assist Kyrgyzstan to overcome the social and economic problems; asks the Commission to prepare proposals on re-allocations of funds of the Development Cooperation Instrument to help make sure that the short as well as medium term EU response to the new situation in Kyrgyzstan can be of an adequate size; underlines that special priority should be given to the solution of problems in the fields of education, health and water supply;
- 9. Welcomes the efforts to convening an international conference under the auspices of the United Nations which should address the humanitarian problems and the basic needs of Kyrgyzstan and provide the necessary aid for the sustainable development of the country; calls on the Commission and the Council to launch a new aid programme for Kyrgyzstan;
- 10. Welcomes the engagement of the OSCE which Kazakhstan is currently presiding in the conflict management process and stabilisation of the region;

11. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, the Council, the Commission, the OSCE and the parliaments of the Russian Federation, the US and Kazakhstan.

