

Amendment 1

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on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

Motion for a resolution**B7-0367/2014****Vital Moreira, Jan Zahradil**

on behalf of the Committee on International Trade
State of play of the EU-Vietnam Free Trade Agreement

Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 1***Motion for a resolution*

1. *Welcomes* the ongoing *progress* in the FTA negotiations, *in particular in the chapters on customs and trade facilitation, on technical obstacles to trade and on competition, and* the Commission's regular debriefing with Parliament on their state of play; recalls that Parliament's consent to the FTA is mandatory¹, and that the Commission and Council should not propose any provisional application of the FTA before the EP has given its consent;

¹ Article 218(6)(a)(v) TFEU.

Amendment

1. *Is opposed to* the ongoing FTA negotiations *since the protection and advancement of social, environmental and labour standards are clearly not at the heart of the negotiating process; considers that the negotiations lack transparency due to the lack of meaningful involvement of civil society stakeholders and trade unions in particular, and will therefore not be in the interests of workers and poor farmers in either the EU or Vietnam; notes* the Commission's regular debriefing with Parliament on their state of play; recalls that Parliament's consent to the FTA is mandatory¹, and that the Commission and Council should not propose any provisional application of the FTA before the EP has given its consent;

¹ Article 218(6)(a)(v) TFEU.

Or. en

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Amendment 2

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Paragraph 1 a (new)

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Amendment

1a. Is of the strong opinion that respect for workers' and trade union rights must be a key feature in all trade agreements the EU signs with third countries; insists, therefore, that the ratification and subsequent implementation of all ILO core conventions, particularly Conventions Nos 87 and 98, must be a prerequisite for continuing the negotiations for a possible free trade agreement between the EU and Vietnam; calls on the Vietnamese Government to live up to all its obligations under the core ILO conventions it has ratified and to ratify and implement the outstanding core conventions without further delay; reiterates that workers' and trade union rights must be universal and be applied to all workers, including to those working in the Special Economic Zones;

Or. en

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Paragraph 16 a (new)

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16a. Calls on the Commission to refrain from including an investor-state dispute settlement mechanism (ISDS) in a possible future free trade agreement between the EU and Vietnam and supports the right to regulate in the general interests of society;

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Paragraph 18 a (new)

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18a. Calls in this context on the Vietnamese authorities to increase their efforts and technical capacity in order to enforce and effectively implement the guidelines on animal welfare of the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) , and to enforce and effectively implement the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES);

Or. en

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Paragraph 18 b (new)

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18b. Expresses its concern about the adverse impact of large-scale farming, often controlled by international firms, on animal welfare and the environment;

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Paragraph 19

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19. Expects the FTA to include a binding and enforceable sustainable development chapter reflecting the EU's and Vietnam's common commitment ***to promote respect for, compliance with, and enforcement of*** international human rights agreements, the eight core ILO conventions, and key MEAs such as the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), with measures in the event of infringement providing for the involvement of independent civil society organisations representing economic, social, and environmental stakeholders in the monitoring of FTA negotiations and the implementation and monitoring of the sustainable development chapter, ***as well as encouraging enterprises to take up CSR practices, taking account of internationally agreed principles and instruments such as those of*** the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN guiding principles on business and human rights, as well as the UN Principles for Responsible Investment and Reporting, and also to address outstanding issues such as the welfare of both farm and wild animals;

19. Expects the FTA to include a binding and enforceable sustainable development chapter reflecting the EU's and Vietnam's common commitment ***to respecting, complying with and enforcing*** international human rights agreements, the eight core ILO conventions and key MEAs, such as the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), with measures in the event of infringement providing for the involvement of independent civil society organisations representing economic, social, and environmental stakeholders in the monitoring of FTA negotiations and the implementation and monitoring of the sustainable development chapter; ***calls on the European Council and the Commission to introduce mandatory and enforceable provisions on corporate social responsibility (CSR), based on*** the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN guiding principles on business and human rights, as well as on the UN Principles for Responsible Investment and Reporting, ***into a future FTA with Vietnam; calls on the Commission to establish an effective monitoring scheme with regard to CSR that involves trade***

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unions and other civil society stakeholders
and also to address outstanding issues such
as the welfare of both farm and wild
animals; *asks that the sustainable
development chapter be covered by the
main dispute settlement mechanism of the
FTA;*

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19a. Insists that the chapter on sustainable development is of utmost importance, and must be strongly worded and lay down the highest possible social, environmental and labour standards; considers that it therefore needs to be an integral, binding and enforceable part of a possible future FTA with Vietnam and must include concrete provisions to review the agreement, depending on possible adverse effects of the agreement in the area of environmental protection, labour and social rights; believes that an up-to-date and independent ex-ante Sustainable Impact Assessment (SIA) of the possible positive as well as negative impacts of such a possible agreement is necessary before the agreement can be concluded; is of the opinion that an independent ex-ante Human Rights Impact Assessment is also needed, as are concrete provisions on mechanisms to review the agreement, on the basis of an ex-post Human Rights Impact Assessment that evaluates the impact of obligations arising from the agreement, such as liberalisation provisions, intellectual property provisions and investment provisions; insists that, on the basis of the findings of such an impact assessment, the agreement can be suspended, amended or

denounced;

Or. en