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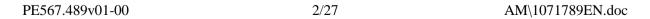
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AMENDMENTS 1 - 50

Draft opinion Ska Keller (PE560.834v01-00)

The role of the EU within the UN - how to better achieve EU foreign policy goals (2015/2104(INI))

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Amendment 1 Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion Paragraph -1 (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

-1. Stresses the view that free and fair trade in itself is the most useful tool in helping developing countries to help themselves. In this regard the UN should work alongside the World Trade Organisation (WTO), as well as providing advice and guidance for developing countries, to promote a strategy for liberalising trade and investment, with the EU involved as a key player;

Or. en

Amendment 2 Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion Paragraph -1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

-1a. Believes that the conclusion of the Doha Development round is key to bringing developing countries into the global trading system and recommends that the UN use it's unique position in the multilateral agenda to ensure that those talks are a success;

Or. en

Amendment 3
Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

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Draft opinion

1. Stresses the need for an ambitious sustainable development agenda on the part of the UN, and, in line with Article 21(d) TEU, is of the opinion that European trade policy needs to be coordinated and implemented in a coherent way in order to *revitalise* the global partnership for sustainable development;

Amendment

1. Stresses the need for an ambitious sustainable development agenda on the part of the UN, and, in line with Article 21(d) TEU, is of the opinion that European trade policy needs to *continue to* be coordinated and implemented in a coherent way in order to *promote* the global partnership for sustainable development;

Or. de

Amendment 4
Seán Kelly
on behalf of the PPE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Stresses the need for an ambitious sustainable development agenda on the part of the UN, and, in line with Article 21(d) TEU, is of the opinion that European trade policy needs to be coordinated and implemented in a coherent way in order to revitalise the global partnership for sustainable development;

Amendment

1. Stresses the need for an ambitious *and* sustainable development agenda on the part of the UN, and, in line with Article 21(d) TEU, is of the opinion that *the* European *Union's* trade policy needs to be coordinated and implemented in a coherent way in order to revitalise the global partnership for *economically*, *socially and environmentally* sustainable development;

Or. en

Amendment 5 Marine Le Pen

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

1. Stresses the need for *an ambitious* sustainable development *agenda on the*

Amendment

1. Stresses the need for *the UN to promote* sustainable development;

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part of the UN, and, in line with Article 21(d) TEU, is of the opinion that European trade policy needs to be coordinated and implemented in a coherent way in order to revitalise the global partnership for sustainable development;

Or. fr

Amendment 6 Emmanuel Maurel, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Maria Arena

Draft opinion Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

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Amendment

1. Stresses the need for an ambitious sustainable development agenda on the part of the UN, and, in line with Article 21(d) TEU, is of the opinion that European trade policy needs to be coordinated and implemented in a coherent way in order to revitalise the global partnership for sustainable development; calls for reinforcing international efforts aimed at implementing comprehensive impact assessment about the impact of world trade on quality of life and equal opportunities of the world population as well as on the environment; asks for the promotion of spaces for dialogue between public and private entities, including enterprises, trade unions and civil society in order to promote exchange of good practices and synergies leading to sustainable development

Or. en

Amendment 7 Ska Keller on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Stresses the need to bring together the useful data collected and analytical work done by regional UN bodies, notably UNECA, UNECE, UNECLAC and UNESCAP, as well as specialised UN bodies such as UNDP and UNEP, which all deal with trade; and recommends to work towards cooperation, and from the EU side to systematically apply findings and recommendations of respective bodies, when it comes to the evaluation of trade measures and the design of trade policy, in order to contribute to the coherence of trade policy around the globe;

Or. en

Amendment 8 Helmut Scholz

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Calls on the EU and its Member States to address the issue of debt in the Post-2015 process, including at the Post-2015 UN Summit, in order to improve target 8d of the UN MDGs and to deal comprehensively with the problem of unsustainable debt, to support the establishment of a multilateral legal framework for sovereign debt restructuring processes, in accordance with the principles of the most relevant UN documents;

Or. en

Amendment 9 **Helmut Scholz**

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Welcomes the establishment of an ad hoc Committee for Sovereign Debt Restructuring set up by the United Nations General Assembly in February 2015 (following R A/68/L.57, of the GA session of 9 September 2014), with the aim to elaborate an international mechanism to restructure sovereign debts in a speedy, orderly and effective manner when debt overhangs or debt crisis undermine the achievement of SDGs (as the follower of MDGs); urges the EU and its Member States to constructively participate in the process towards the adoption of this new instrument which could help to overcome future sovereign debt crisis which hamper development and provoke unnecessary economic costs, welfare losses and human suffering;

Or. en

Amendment 10 William (The Earl of) Dartmouth

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Considers that trade policy is crucial in combating climate change, and therefore urges the EU to ensure that its trade policy decisions are in line with the imperative to decarbonise global production and consumption;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 11 Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Considers that trade policy is crucial in *combating climate change*, and therefore urges the EU to ensure that its trade policy decisions are in line with the imperative to decarbonise global production and consumption;

Amendment

2. Considers that trade policy is crucial in *reducing CO₂ emissions*, and therefore urges the EU to ensure that its trade policy decisions are in line with the imperative to decarbonise global production and consumption;

Or. de

Amendment 12 Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Considers that trade policy *is crucial* in combating climate change, and therefore urges the EU to ensure that its trade policy decisions *are in line with the imperative to decarbonise* global production and consumption;

Amendment

2. Considers that trade policy *can play a role* in combating climate change, and therefore urges the EU to ensure that its trade policy decisions *complement the decarbonisation of* global production and consumption;

Or. en

Amendment 13 Seán Kelly on behalf of the PPE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Considers that trade policy *is* crucial in combating climate change, and therefore urges the EU to ensure that *its* trade policy decisions *are* in line with the *imperative to decarbonise global production and consumption*;

Amendment

2. Considers that trade policy can play a crucial role in combating climate change, and therefore urges the EU to ensure that EU trade policy decisions encourage and facilitate the transition to a low-carbon global economy and limit global temperature increases to a maximum of 2°C in line with the objectives of the upcoming Agreement to be finalised at the COP21 in Paris¹a;

^{1 a} COP 21 - United Nations Conference on Climate Change

Or. en

Amendment 14 Marine Le Pen

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Considers that trade policy is crucial in combating climate change, and therefore urges the EU to ensure that its trade policy decisions are in line with the imperative to decarbonise global production and consumption;

Amendment

2. Considers that trade policy is crucial in combating climate change, and therefore urges the EU to ensure that its trade policy decisions are in line with the imperative to decarbonise global production and consumption; stresses, in this context, the danger that TTIP presents to the continuation of efforts to achieve sustainable development in the European Union:

Or. fr

Amendment 15 Helmut Scholz

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

Draft opinion

2. Considers that trade policy is crucial in combating climate change, and therefore urges the EU to ensure that its trade policy decisions are in line with the imperative to decarbonise global production and consumption;

Amendment

2. Considers that trade policy is crucial in combating climate change, and therefore urges the EU to ensure that its trade policy decisions are in line with the imperative to decarbonise global production and consumption; *urges the EU and its*Member States to ratify the Doha

Amendment covering the pre-2020 period;

Or. en

Amendment 16 Seán Kelly on behalf of the PPE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

(a) Stresses that trade can play a major role in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, in fighting poverty and in combatting human rights violations. This can be done by means of specific programmes of trade preferences, trade sanctions, the regulation of trade in certain goods which could be used for capital punishment, torture, inhuman or degrading treatment and punishment, and certification systems regulating trade of conflict minerals;

Or. en

Amendment 17 Alessia Maria Mosca, Emmanuel Maurel

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

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Amendment

2a. Stimulates the European Union to play an important role in the growing international discussions on purely global issues, among the others a prominent participation to the 2015 United Nations Climate Change Conference, and the enhancement of a strong commitment to the issue of migrants and refugees within the framework of the UN;

Or. en

Amendment 18 Helmut Scholz

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Calls on the EU as the largest trading block in the world, playing a strong role in bilateral and multilateral trade arrangements, to develop ambitious, efficient and active trade policy measures for promoting sustainable growth, poverty reduction and protection of the environment and of natural resources, in line with the relevant UN Conventions;

Or. en

Amendment 19 Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

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Amendment

3. Urges the EU and its Member States to ensure the implementation of the Right to

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Or. de

Amendment 20 Seán Kelly on behalf of the PPE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Urges the EU and its Member States to ensure the implementation of the Right to Food, as outlined in the UN resolution of 2011 on the right to food (A/66/158);

Amendment

3. Urges the EU and its Member States to ensure the implementation of the Right to Food, as outlined in the UN resolution of 2011 on the right to food (A/66/158) and acknowledges the key role the EU plays in addressing the global challenges of food security;

Or. en

Amendment 21 Marine Le Pen

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. *Urges* the EU and its Member States to ensure the implementation of the Right to Food, as outlined in the UN resolution of 2011 on the right to food (A/66/158);

Amendment

3. *Calls on* the EU and its Member States to ensure the implementation of the Right to Food, as outlined in the UN resolution of 2011 on the right to food (A/66/158);

Or. fr

Amendment 22 Emmanuel Maurel, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Maria Arena

Draft opinion Paragraph 3

Draft opinion

3. Urges the EU and its Member States to ensure the implementation of the Right to Food, as outlined in the UN resolution of 2011 on the right to food (A/66/158);

Amendment

3. Urges the EU and its Member States to ensure the implementation of the Right to Food, *including in trade agreements*, as outlined in the UN resolution of 2011 on the right to food (A/66/158);

Or. en

Amendment 23 Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Continues to support the conclusions of UNCTAD's 2011 Foreign Direct Investment in LDCs report, which recommends a plan of action calling for increased investment through careful liberalisation of infrastructure sectors, the promotion of PPPs with foreign investors, encouragement of SME lending, increased provision of sound standards of treatment and protection of investments and further efforts to tackle issues of poor governance and respect for legal frameworks;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Ska Keller
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Points out the important role that trade and investment could have for the sustainable development of poor countries, when carried out with long-term objectives, clearly targeted, framed in clear performance rules, and connected with counter-balancing measures for transition periods,

Or. en

Amendment 25 Hannu Takkula

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Shares the view expressed in UNCTAD's World Investment Report 2015 that the regulatory policy environment for investment must be reformed and that tax avoidance practices on the part of multinational enterprises must be ended in order to support domestic resource mobilisation for the SDGs¹;

Amendment

(Does not affect the English version.)

Or. fi

Amendment 26 Ska Keller on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

4. Shares the view expressed in

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¹ Sustainable Development Goals.

UNCTAD's World Investment Report 2015 that the regulatory policy environment for investment must be reformed and that tax avoidance practices on the part of multinational enterprises must be ended in order to support domestic resource mobilisation for the SDGs¹;

UNCTAD's World Investment Report 2015 that the regulatory policy environment for investment must be reformed and that tax avoidance practices on the part of multinational enterprises must be ended in order to support domestic resource mobilisation for the SDGs¹; invites the EU in this regard to tackle tax avoidance and BEPS (base erosion and profit shifting) by MNEs (Multinational Enterprises), via adequate provisions in its trade agreements with third countries, in EIB rules, in LAIF and other investment facilitation programmes etc.,

Or. en

Amendment 27 Seán Kelly on behalf of the PPE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Shares the view expressed in UNCTAD's World Investment Report 2015 that the regulatory policy environment for investment must be reformed and that tax avoidance practices on the part of multinational enterprises must be ended in order to support domestic resource mobilisation for the SDGs¹;

Amendment

4. Shares the view expressed in UNCTAD's World Investment Report 2015 that the regulatory policy environment for investment must be reformed and that tax avoidance practices on the part of multinational enterprises must be ended in order to support domestic resource mobilisation for the SDGs¹ and tap into the full potential that investment, reduction of barriers to trade, and liberalisation of our economies can bring to sustainable economic development, especially in the least developed countries;

Or. en

¹ Sustainable Development Goals.

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Amendment 28 Emmanuel Maurel, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Maria Arena

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Shares the view expressed in UNCTAD's World Investment Report 2015 that the regulatory policy environment for investment must be reformed and that tax avoidance practices on the part of multinational enterprises must be ended in order to support domestic resource mobilisation for the SDGs¹;

Amendment

4. Shares the view expressed in UNCTAD's World Investment Report 2015 that the regulatory policy environment for investment must be reformed and that tax fraud, tax avoidance and aggressive tax *planning* practices on the part of multinational enterprises must be ended in order to support domestic resource mobilisation for the SDGs¹; considers that the effective implementation of a financial transactions tax (FTT) at the world stage, for which the European Union plays a trailblazing role, would be an additional means for many countries to fulfil these objectives; calls the EU to lead the global fight against tax havens, which hinder the eradication of illicit trade with devastating effects on development and human rights

Or. en

Amendment 29 Emmanuel Maurel, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Maria Arena

Draft opinion Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Recalls the need to join and strengthen efforts to eradicate labour exploitation, particularly of women and children, and to put an end to social dumping practices that undermine human

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¹ Sustainable Development Goals.

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development, and thus calls the European Union to promote at the global stage the integration in trade policy of the objectives of the International Labour Organisation Decent Work Agenda, as it was endorsed by the States in the Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalisation, unanimously approved in 2008; urges the EU to include an ambitious and legally binding sustainable development chapter in all trade policy agreements

Or. en

Amendment 30 Helmut Scholz

Draft opinion Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Calls on the EU and its Member States to promote within the UN international collaboration on financial services, for example by creating a UN Forum on Financial Services, which would include a permanent International Tribunal on Financial Services (ITFS), to adjudicate in cases of malpractice by financial services sector providers;

Or. en

Amendment 31 Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. Is of the opinion that a possible permanent international court for the

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settlement of investment disputes should be situated within the UN system and should be based on the principles of multilateralism and of the rights and obligations of those subject to the court;

Or. en

Amendment 32 Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Is of the opinion that a possible permanent international court for the settlement of investment disputes should be situated within the UN system and should be based on the principles of multilateralism and of the rights and obligations of those subject to the court;

Amendment

5. Is of the opinion that *should* a possible permanent international court for the settlement of investment disputes *between* states and investors be considered useful and desirable by the international community, that one possible location could be within the UN system.

Or. en

Amendment 33
Seán Kelly
on behalf of the PPE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Is of the opinion that *a possible* permanent international court for the settlement of investment disputes should be situated within the UN system and should be based on the principles of multilateralism and of the rights and obligations of those subject to the court;

Amendment

5. Is of the opinion that *should a* permanent international court for the settlement of investment disputes *be created, it* should be situated within the UN system and should be based on the principles of multilateralism and of the rights and obligations of those subject to the court;

Or. en

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Amendment 34 Marine Le Pen

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Is of the opinion that a possible permanent international court for the settlement of investment disputes should be situated within the UN system and should be based on the principles of multilateralism and of the rights and obligations of those subject to the court;

Amendment

5. Is of the opinion that the setting-up of a permanent international court for the settlement of investment disputes would promote the interests of certain private economic operators to the detriment of the general interests of the countries concerned and would seriously affect the economic sovereignty of States;

Or. fr

Amendment 35 Emmanuel Maurel, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Maria Arena

Draft opinion Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Is of the opinion that a possible permanent international court for the settlement of investment disputes *should* be situated within the UN system and should be based on the *principles of multilateralism and of the rights and obligations of those subject* to the *court*;

Amendment

5. Supports the goal to establish at multilateral level an investment protection regime with a new system where the jurisdiction of national courts is respected and calls on the Commission to incorporate this objective into its negotiating agenda during the drafting of agreements on investment; is of the opinion that a possible permanent international court for the settlement of investment disputes could be situated within the UN system and should be based on the rights and obligations of those subject to the court with an emphasis on the OECD principles for multinational enterprises and to the UN principles on Business and human rights; considers that the UN system provides useful

templates for such a system, in particular for questions of financing

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 36 Daniel Caspary

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

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6. Calls for the systematic integration of the findings and recommendations on Gender Equality and Trade Policy of UN Women into the revision of the EU Handbook on Sustainability Impact Assessments;

Or. de

Amendment 37 Emma McClarkin

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls for the systematic integration of the findings and recommendations on Gender Equality and Trade Policy of UN Women¹ into the revision of the EU Handbook on Sustainability Impact Assessments;

Amendment

6. Notes that the findings and recommendations on Gender Equality and Trade Policy of UN Women¹ states that there exists conclusive evidence that economic development and social equality go hand in hand in addition to noting the strong correlation between gender equality and competitiveness and GDP per capita, calls therefore, for the continued use of gender inequality as a sustainability indicator into the revision of the EU Handbook on Sustainability Impact Assessments;

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- ¹ Sustainable Development Goals.
- ¹ Sustainable Development Goals.

Or. en

Amendment 38 Marine Le Pen

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. *Calls for* the systematic integration of the findings and recommendations on Gender Equality and Trade Policy of UN Women *into the revision of the* EU Handbook on Sustainability Impact Assessments;

Amendment

6. Stresses that the systematic integration of the findings and recommendations on Gender Equality and Trade Policy of UN Women has no place in an EU Handbook on Sustainability Impact Assessments;

Or. fr

Amendment 39 Emmanuel Maurel, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Maria Arena

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

Draft opinion

6. Calls for the systematic integration of the findings and recommendations on Gender Equality and Trade Policy of UN Women into the revision of the EU Handbook on Sustainability Impact Assessments;

Amendment

6. Recalls that the Doha Mandate. approved by all participating States during the 13th session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (XIII UNCTAD, Doha, 21st to 26th of April 2012), insists on the links between gender equality and inclusive development, asks the UNCTAD to "strengthen its work on the links between gender equality, women's empowerment, and trade and development", and includes gender equality and women empowerment issues within the list of essential objectives for all countries; asks the European Union to intensify its own efforts and to play a leading role in integrating gender

perspectives in trade policies; calls for the systematic integration of the findings and recommendations on Gender Equality and Trade Policy of UN Women into the revision of the EU Handbook on Sustainability Impact Assessments;

Or. en

Amendment 40 Emmanuel Maurel, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Calls on the EU to foster and to support the subscription of the Corporate Social Responsibility principles of the United Nations Global Compact; asks the EU to promote in the UN for a the adoption of trade policies that effectively incentivise the respect of these principles, for instance, through the establishment of conditions to public procurement

Or. en

Amendment 41 Seán Kelly on behalf of the PPE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Is aware of the need to strengthen and implement the UNGPs²; urges the EU to contribute to a successful outcome of the work of the Intergovernmental Working Group on transnational corporations and human rights³.

Amendment

7. Is aware of the need to strengthen and implement the UNGPs²; urges the EU to contribute to a successful outcome of the work of the Intergovernmental Working Group on transnational corporations and human rights³ and acknowledges the joint responsibility of businesses and

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governments in supporting these principles;

² UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights.

- ² UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights.
- ³ Full title: Intergovernmental working group on transnational corporations and other business enterprises with respect to human rights.

Or. en

Amendment 42 Emmanuel Maurel, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Maria Arena

Draft opinion Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Is aware of the need to strengthen and implement the UNGPs²; urges the EU to contribute to a successful outcome of the work of the Intergovernmental Working Group on transnational corporations and human rights³.

Amendment

7. Is aware of the need to strengthen and implement the UNGPs²; urges the EU to contribute to a successful outcome of the work of the Intergovernmental Working Group on transnational corporations and human rights³ that aims at creating a legally binding instrument on Business and Human Rights.

Or. en

Amendment 43 Ska Keller on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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³ Full title: Intergovernmental working group on transnational corporations and other business enterprises with respect to human rights.

² UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights.

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Draft opinion Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Suggests that a possible Sustainable Development Council is mandated to aim at conducting international trade policy as well as multi- and bilateral trade agreements in coherence with policy objectives of the United Nations, like the SDGs and the Climate agenda; moreover it should develop a reporting system, modelled on the example of UPRs.

Or. en

Amendment 44 Jude Kirton-Darling, Emmanuel Maurel

Draft opinion Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Welcomes the depth and rigour of the on-going dialogue between the European Commission and the International Labour Organisation (ILO) on trade issues; recalls the necessity for the European Commission of maintaining the highest level of cooperation with the ILO in light of the importance of the decent work agenda, not least in the context of the September 2015 UN Sustainable Development Summit; in this respect, welcomes the innovative approach developed by the ILO in cooperation with the EU and other major UN members to improve working conditions across the global value chain in involving buyers as well as producers, as implemented recently in Bangladesh and Myanmar; also recalls in this context the vital role that trade agreements concluded by the EU as well as other instruments, such as the Generalised Scheme of Preferences,

can play in fostering the implementation of ILO standards and thus in emulating decent working conditions globally;

Or. en

Amendment 45 Marine Le Pen

Draft opinion Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Stresses that certain restrictions in the economic and commercial sphere are more capable of reducing the risks of breaches of the rights of peoples within their territory;

Or. fr

Amendment 46 Helmut Scholz

Draft opinion Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Calls on the EU and its Member States to work towards enhancing the UN System towards providing the regulatory framework needed to cope with the challenges emerging from globalised trade and production schemes;

Or. en

Amendment 47 Emmanuel Maurel, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Maria Arena

Draft opinion Paragraph 7 a (new)

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Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Is of the opinion that trade policy has a major impact on the development of least advanced third countries and that the EU should thus rely on a tailored approach when negotiating with these countries; asks the Union to foster, through its trade policy, the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Millennium Development Goals (MDGs);

Or. en

Amendment 48 Dita Charanzová

Draft opinion Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7 b. Calls on the EU to strengthen its role and participation in the regulatory working parties of the UN bodies, such as UNECE's WP.29, and to encourage other UN members to do the same; stresses the need to work towards creating global technical standards which foster free trade and economic growth and which are compatible with the European Single Market;

Or. en

Amendment 49 Jude Kirton-Darling, Emmanuel Maurel

Draft opinion Paragraph 7 b (new) Draft opinion Amendment

7b. Calls on the Commission to make full use of the expertise provided by all ILO bodies, in particular the Committee of Experts and the Committee on Application of Standards, in assessing compliance with the international labour and social standards referred to in EU trade agreements and other trade policy instruments such as the Generalised Scheme of Preference (GSP) regulation;

Or. en

Amendment 50 Emmanuel Maurel, Inmaculada Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Maria Arena

Draft opinion Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7b. Acknowledges that trade agreements and access to health are closely related, especially in the developing countries; observes that the World Health Organisation (WHO) works on creating tools aimed at evaluating objectively this relationship; urges the EU to support the WHO's initiative and to take into account the conclusions of its work;

Or. en