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on a negotiation mandate for a new enhanced agreement between the European Community and its Member States of the one part and Ukraine of the other part (2007/2015(INI))

Amendment by Bronisław Geremek

Amendment 1

Indent 1

deleted

Or. en

Amendment by Bronisław Geremek

Amendment 2

Indent 3

- having regard to its previous resolutions on Ukraine, particularly that of 13 January 2005 on the results of the presidential elections, that of 6 April 2006 on the parliamentary elections *and that of 19 January 2006 on the European Neighbourhood Policy*¹,

Or. en

¹ OJ C 287 E, 24.11.2006, p. 312.

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 3
Indent (new)

- ***having regard to the EU-Ukraine Summit Joint Statement of 1 December 2005 and the EU-Ukraine Summit Joint Statement of 27 October 2006,***

Or. en

Amendment by Roberta Alma Anastase

Amendment 4
Recital A

- A. whereas Ukraine has strong historical, cultural and economic links to the European Union and whereas it is ***one of*** the EU's key ***partners*** in its Eastern neighbourhood, exerting an important influence on the security, stability and prosperity of the whole continent,

Or. en

Amendment by Josef Zieleniec

Amendment 5
Recital D

- D. whereas Ukraine has declared its ***commitment to a strategic partnership with the European Union which enjoys the*** consensus of all actors on its political stage,

Or. en

Amendment by Milan Horáček, Rebecca Harms

Amendment 6
Recital F

- F. whereas in its decision on the negotiation mandate the Council envisaged the construction of an increasingly close relationship with Ukraine; ***whereas the European Union acknowledged Ukraine's European aspirations and welcomed Ukraine's European choice in the Council conclusions of 21 February 2005 and in the EU-Ukraine Action Plan, which does not exclude, in the future, a clear European perspective,***

Amendment by Josef Zieleniec

Amendment 7

Recital F

- F. whereas in its decision on the negotiation mandate the Council envisaged the construction of an increasingly close relationship with Ukraine, but failed to ***define its content***,

Or. en

Amendment by István Szent-Iványi, Grażyna Staniszevska

Amendment 8

Recital F

- F. whereas in its decision on the negotiation mandate the Council envisaged the construction of an increasingly close relationship with Ukraine (***deletion***),

Or. en

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 9

Recital H

deleted

Or. en

Amendment by István Szent-Iványi, Grażyna Staniszevska

Amendment 10

Recital H

- H. whereas it is of paramount importance that the current tensions between the President and the Parliament ***and the Prime Minister*** of Ukraine are resolved swiftly ***through a constructive political dialogue***, with respect to European values, principles of democracy and the rule of law, and without endangering the ability of Ukraine to

pursue its integration into European structures,

Or. en

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 11
Paragraph 1

1. Welcomes the Council's decision to open negotiations on a new agreement aimed at deepening political cooperation and at achieving the **gradual** economic integration of Ukraine into the **EU's internal market**;

Or. en

Amendment by Charles Tannock

Amendment 12
Paragraph 1

1. Welcomes the Council's decision to open negotiations on a new agreement aimed at deepening political cooperation and at achieving the economic integration of Ukraine into the European **Union's single market**;

Or. en

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 13
Paragraph 2

2. Expresses its disquietude with regard to the current political tensions, and calls upon all actors engaged to intensify the search for a comprehensive political compromise involving all parties, **whilst keeping Ukraine on the path towards European integration**;

Or. en

Amendment by Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 14
Paragraph 5

5. **Believes** that the negotiations should lead to the conclusion of an Association Agreement that **would allow Ukraine to use its mechanisms for further deepening EU-Ukraine integration**;

Or. en

Amendment by Josef Zieleniec

Amendment 15
Paragraph 5

5. Conscious of the crucial importance of symbols and perspectives, believes that the negotiations should lead to the conclusion of an Association Agreement that creates an efficient framework for **the development of enhanced political, trade, security, social and cultural links appropriate to the strategic importance of Ukraine as a partner of the EU**;

Or. en

Amendment by István Szent-Iványi, Grażyna Staniszewska

Amendment 16
Paragraph 5

5. Conscious of the crucial importance of symbols and perspectives **in securing public support for the implementation of an ambitious reform agenda**, believes that the negotiations should lead to the conclusion of an Association Agreement that creates an efficient framework for integration of Ukraine with the EU, **taking note of Ukraine's European aspirations, including its objective of attaining EU membership in the long term**;

Or. en

Amendment by Bronisław Geremek

Amendment 17

Paragraph 5

5. Conscious of the crucial importance of symbols and perspectives ***in securing public support for the implementation of an ambitious reform agenda***, believes that the negotiations should lead to the conclusion of an Association Agreement that creates an efficient framework for integration of Ukraine with the EU, ***taking note of Ukraine's European aspirations, including possible EU membership in the long term***;

Or. en

Amendment by Ria Oomen-Ruijten

Amendment 18

Paragraph 5

5. Conscious of the crucial importance of symbols and perspectives, believes that the negotiations should lead to the conclusion of an Association Agreement that creates an efficient framework for ***economic*** integration of Ukraine ***into*** the EU and ***gives Ukraine a European perspective***;

Or. en

Amendment by Janusz Onyszkiewicz

Amendment 19

Paragraph 5

5. Conscious of the crucial importance of symbols and perspectives, ***and bearing in mind that, in its previous resolutions on Ukraine, Parliament has recognised Ukraine's European aspirations***, believes that the negotiations should lead to the conclusion of an Association Agreement that creates an efficient framework for integration of Ukraine with the EU and opens its way to EU membership;

Or. en

Amendment by Charles Tannock, Adrian Severin

Amendment 20

Paragraph 5

5. Conscious of the crucial importance of symbols and perspectives, believes that the

negotiations should lead to the conclusion of an Association Agreement that creates an efficient framework for integration of Ukraine with the EU and opens its way to EU membership; ***calls on the Council to consider granting Ukraine the same status as Western Balkan countries, namely that of a 'potential candidate' for EU membership;***

Or. en

Amendment by Milan Horáček, Rebecca Harms

Amendment 21
Paragraph 5 a (new)

5a. Takes the view that Ukraine's efforts to enhance its relations with the EU must lead in the future to a clear European perspective;

Or. en

Amendment by Charles Tannock

Amendment 22
Paragraph 7

7. Is of the view that the agreement should envisage development of the relationship in ***progressive*** stages, laying down concrete conditions and timetables to be met; demands that a review of the agreement be provided for, in order to take into account dynamic developments in Ukraine and in the bilateral relationship;

Or. en

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 23
Paragraph 8

8. Calls on the political leadership of Ukraine to commit itself to vigorous implementation of reforms, and appeals to all actors on the political stage and in civil society in Ukraine to strive to establish a broad political consensus in favour of a stable constitutional settlement and of reforms that must underpin the European aspirations of their country; ***recommends the adoption and implementation of the new Ukrainian legislation on political parties and political campaign financing in line with EU practice;***

Amendment by Bronisław Geremek

Amendment 24
Paragraph 8 a (new)

8a. Encourages Ukrainian leaders to remain faithful to their commitment to the principles of liberty, democracy, the rule of law and respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, as defended by the Ukrainian people in December 2004;

Or. en

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 25
Paragraph 8 a (new)

8a. Calls on the Government of Ukraine to emphasise the importance of intensifying the fight against corruption and of the need to continue to reform the civil service on the basis of European standards, in order to promote transparency and increase the accountability of the state administration bodies by adopting the relevant legislative framework;

Or. en

Amendment by Roberta Alma Anastase

Amendment 26
Paragraph 9

9. Stresses, with regard to the challenges Ukraine will face when implementing its commitments arising from the agreement, that *Ukraine should be encouraged to participate more efficiently in European projects with the aim of a possible reallocation of the EU's financial assistance to Ukraine within the context of the review of the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument planned for 2008 (deletion)*;

Or. en

Amendment by István Szent-Iványi, Grażyna Staniszevska

Amendment 27

Paragraph 9

9. Stresses, with regard to the challenges Ukraine will face when implementing its commitments arising from the agreement, that advantage should be taken of the review of the **2007-2013 financial perspective and of the** European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument planned for 2008-2009, in such a way as to increase the EU's financial assistance to Ukraine;

Or. en

Amendment by Charles Tannock

Amendment 28

Paragraph 9

9. Stresses, with regard to the challenges Ukraine will face when implementing its commitments arising from the agreement, that advantage should be taken of the review of the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument planned for 2008, in such a way as to increase the EU's financial assistance to Ukraine, **which is currently fairly modest in per capita terms**;

Or. en

Amendment by Marek Siwiec, Libor Rouček, Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 29

Paragraph 9 a (new)

- 9a. Emphasises the importance of multilateral cooperation in the Black Sea region; calls for the setting-up of an EU-Black Sea Community, along the lines of the Northern Dimension, to enhance and encourage more dialogue with a view to establishing a more stable, secure and democratic neighbourhood, and recognises the vital role that Ukraine should play in such initiatives, especially in the fields of economic cooperation, energy security, migration and the environment;**

Or. en

Amendment by Charles Tannock, Adrian Severin, Marek Siwiec

Amendment 30

Paragraph 10 a (new)

10a. Highlights the important role played by the EU-Ukraine Parliamentary Cooperation Committee in fostering cooperation between the EU and Ukraine, and urges further strengthening of the parliamentary dimension of EU-Ukraine relations; calls upon the various EU institutions to improve the coordination of their policies towards Ukraine;

Or. en

Amendment by István Szent-Iványi, Grażyna Staniszevska

Amendment 31

Paragraph 11, point (a)

a) draw the attention of its Ukrainian partners to the need to further consolidate the footings of liberal democracy, in particular as far as **(deletion)** the protection of individual freedoms, strengthening democratic control mechanisms, **including a strong civil society**, and stable anchoring of the rule of law are concerned; **recall in this regard the recommendation contained in the opinions of the Venice Commission relating to Ukraine, many of which remain to be implemented;**

Or. en

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 32

Paragraph 11, point (a)

a) draw the attention of its Ukrainian partners to the need to further consolidate the footings of liberal democracy, in particular as far as a stable constitutional system, the protection of **human rights and** individual freedoms, strengthening democratic control mechanisms and stable anchoring of the rule of law are concerned;

Or. en

Amendment by Roberta Alma Anastase

Amendment 33

Paragraph 11, point (a)

- a) draw the attention of its Ukrainian partners to the need to further consolidate the footings of liberal democracy, in particular as far as a stable constitutional system, the protection of individual freedoms, ***including the rights of minorities***, strengthening democratic control mechanisms and stable anchoring of the rule of law are concerned;

Or. en

Amendment by Milan Horáček, Rebecca Harms

Amendment 34

Paragraph 11, point (a a) (new)

- aa) call on the Ukrainian authorities to fulfil their obligations under international human rights law and to exercise due diligence in securing women's rights to equality, life, liberty and security, and freedom from discrimination, torture and cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment;***

Or. en

Amendment by Milan Horáček, Rebecca Harms

Amendment 35

Paragraph 11, point (b)

- b) call on the leadership of Ukraine to urgently tackle corruption in political and judicial circles as part of a broad campaign to strengthen the fight against corruption; consider further revisions of the criminal legislation and reforms of the civil service as matters of crucial importance; suggest in this regard the setting-up of a leading national anti-corruption prosecution unit that would be responsible for advancing the anti-corruption agenda and that will ensure effective coordination of various institutions and the monitoring of implementation measures;***

Or. en

Amendment by Charles Tannock

Amendment 36

Paragraph 11, point (b)

- b) point out that the key to the stabilisation of Ukraine lies in unravelling political from economic powers, weeding out corruption and ensuring an independent judiciary; ***ensure legal certainty and the prevention of competing legal jurisdictions within Ukrainian law;***

Or. en

Amendment by István Szent-Iványi, Grażyna Staniszevska

Amendment 37

Paragraph 11, point (b)

- b) point out that the key to the stabilisation of Ukraine lies in unravelling political from economic powers, weeding out corruption and ensuring an independent judiciary ***as well as an effective and efficient public administration through a comprehensive administrative reform;***

Or. en

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 38

Paragraph 11, point (b)

- b) point out that the key to the stabilisation of Ukraine lies in unravelling political from economic powers, weeding out corruption and ensuring an independent judiciary; ***emphasise the importance of launching and effectively implementing the revised Action Plan in the fields of justice and home affairs as an efficient instrument for partnership and cooperation between the European Union and Ukraine in the spheres of justice, freedom and security; in addition, consolidate respect for the rights of minorities (ethnic, religious and sexual);***

Or. en

Amendment by Marcello Vernola

Amendment 39

Paragraph 11, point (b)

- b) point out that the key to the stabilisation of Ukraine lies in unravelling political from economic powers, weeding out corruption, ***bringing transparency to public procurement procedures***, and ensuring an independent judiciary;

Or. it

Amendment by Milan Horáček, Rebecca Harms

Amendment 40

Paragraph 11, point (b a) (new)

- ba) express its concern at the allegations of ill-treatment and torture by the police of detainees with the aim of extracting confessions, and call on the Ukrainian authorities to fully implement the Convention against Torture;***

Or. en

Amendment by Janusz Onyszkiewicz

Amendment 41

Paragraph 11, point (b a) (new)

- ba) point out the need to set up a stable regulatory framework which would ensure the creation of a competitive market economy based on the principle of property rights, as a factor inextricably linked to Ukraine's European perspective;***

Or. en

Amendment by Roberta Alma Anastase

Amendment 42

Paragraph 11, point (c)

- c) deepen the regular political dialogue on bilateral, regional and international issues ***in line with the commitments entered into by Ukraine at regional and international level***; provide for Ukraine's close involvement in the Common Foreign and Security Policy, ***as well as in the development of regional cooperation in the Black Sea area***; aim at strengthening its role in the East European region and encourage it to continue its activities focused on the promotion of stability, security and democracy, ***as well as***

of sustainable development, in the common neighbourhood, *with particular emphasis on the settlement of frozen conflicts in that region*; draw on the experience of Ukraine's cooperation with the EUBAM mission on its border with Moldova;

Or. en

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 43

Paragraph 11, point (c)

- c) deepen the regular political dialogue on bilateral, regional and international issues; provide for Ukraine's close involvement in the Common Foreign and Security Policy; aim at strengthening its role in the East European region and encourage it to continue its activities focused on the promotion of stability, security and democracy in the common neighbourhood; draw on the experience of Ukraine's cooperation with the EUBAM mission on its border with Moldova, *bearing in mind that Parliament approves the initiative to extend the mandate of the mission for a further two years*;

Or. en

Amendment by Janusz Onyszkiewicz

Amendment 44

Paragraph 11, point (c)

- c) deepen the regular political dialogue on bilateral, regional and international issues; provide for Ukraine's close involvement in the Common Foreign and Security Policy; aim at strengthening its role in the East European region and encourage it to continue its activities focused on the promotion of stability, security and democracy in the common neighbourhood; draw on the experience of Ukraine's cooperation with the EUBAM mission on its border with Moldova; *in particular, draw attention to Ukraine's role in finding a solution to the conflict in Transnistria*;

Or. en

Amendment by Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Cem Özdemir, Milan Horáček

Amendment 45

Paragraph 11, point (c a) (new)

- ca) pay ever greater attention to the resolution of ecological and environmental issues, in accordance with the Espoo Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in*

a Transboundary Context and the Berne Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats;

Or. en

Amendment by Charles Tannock

Amendment 46

Paragraph 11, point (d)

- d) support the consolidation of the Ukrainian market economy and work upon approximation of legislation towards the Community *acquis* in order to improve its investment climate and contribute to its growth potential; ***highlight that the key to attracting foreign investment to Ukraine is the establishment of a sound, stable and predictable investment climate, and urge the Government of Ukraine to address outstanding problems relating to VAT reimbursement and export controls as a matter of priority;***

Or. en

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 47

Paragraph 11, point (d)

- d) support the consolidation of the Ukrainian market economy and work upon approximation of legislation towards the Community *acquis* in order to improve its investment climate and contribute to its growth potential; ***in this respect, call upon Ukraine to pursue the implementation of its planned legal and judicial reforms, including those relating to company law, VAT reimbursement issues and the elimination of inconsistencies between different legislative acts;***

Or. en

Amendment by Marcello Vernola

Amendment 48

Paragraph 11, point (d)

- d) support ***free enterprise and*** the consolidation of the Ukrainian market economy and work upon approximation of legislation towards the Community *acquis* in order to improve its investment climate, ***with particular reference to Directive 2004/17/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004 coordinating the***

procurement procedures of entities operating in the water, energy, transport and postal services sectors¹ and to Directive 2004/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004 on the coordination of procedures for the award of public works contracts, public supply contracts and public service contracts², and by adopting legislation on project financing, and contribute to its growth potential;

Or. it

Amendment by Charles Tannock

Amendment 49

Paragraph 11, point (d)

- d) support the consolidation of the Ukrainian market economy and work upon approximation of legislation towards the Community *acquis* in order to improve its investment climate and contribute to its growth potential; ***call on Member States having experienced Russophone civil servants to engage in twinning arrangements, with a view to better advising their Ukrainian counterparts on the EU acquis communautaire;***

Or. en

Amendment by István Szent-Iványi, Grażyna Staniszevska

Amendment 50

Paragraph 11, point (d a) (new)

- da) welcome the establishment of the Interagency Commission on Combating Illegal Acquisitions and Seizures of Enterprises; encourage the Government to take concrete action, through the requisite reforms of corporate legislation and of the judiciary, to eliminate the threat of illegal acquisitions and seizures of enterprises;***

Or. en

¹ OJL 134, 30.4.2004, p. 1.

² OJL 134, 30.4.2004, p. 114.

Amendment by Charles Tannock

Amendment 51

Paragraph 11, point (d a) (new)

da) support the positive steps taken by the Government of Ukraine to address the problem of raiders' attacks by establishing the Interagency Commission on Combating Illegal Acquisitions and Seizures of Enterprises, and encourage the Government to take concrete action, through the adoption of reforms in respect of corporate legislation and the judiciary, to eliminate the threat of raiders' attacks;

Or. en

Amendment by Charles Tannock

Amendment 52

Paragraph 11, point (e)

e) lay down a concrete plan for the gradual establishment of a deep and comprehensive Free Trade Area, to be grounded on a common regulatory basis and to cover ***the bulk of*** all trade in goods, services and capital between the EU and Ukraine; ***call on all parties to examine whether agricultural products may also be part of the agreement;***

Or. en

Amendment by István Szent-Iványi, Grażyna Staniszevska

Amendment 53

Paragraph 11, point (e)

e) lay a down concrete plan for the gradual establishment of a deep and comprehensive Free Trade Area, to be grounded on a common regulatory basis and to cover all trade in goods, services and capital between the EU and Ukraine; ***emphasise in this respect the importance of making further progress with the process of regulatory reform, especially in the areas of competition policy, state subsidies, public procurement, taxation and intellectual property rights;***

Or. en

Amendment by Milan Horáček, Rebecca Harms

Amendment 54

Paragraph 11, point (f a) (new)

- fa) stress the importance of a sustainable energy strategy for Ukraine; point out that, following the experience of the nuclear catastrophe of Chernobyl, and facing the problems of growing import dependence and the challenge of climate change, Ukraine has to make major efforts in respect of energy saving, energy efficiency and renewable energy; point out that Ukraine is one of the most energy-inefficient countries in the world and that achieving average efficiency standards would allow the country to satisfy its internal energy demand without using nuclear energy; call for technical cooperation in this sphere between the EU and Ukraine, and for such cooperation to be included in the new enhanced agreement;*

Or. en

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda

Amendment 55

Paragraph 11, point (g)

- g) urge therefore that the energy sector of Ukraine fully complies with principles of market economy and transparency, in particular as far as prices, network access and efficiency are concerned; support rapid integration of Ukraine into the European Energy Community; note the importance of Ukraine's signing up to the Energy Community Treaty; in this regard, urge the speeding-up of the procedure for nuclear safety evaluation of all operating nuclear power plants in Ukraine, in accordance with the work programme of the Joint Working Group on Nuclear Safety; assist diversification of Ukraine's resources, e.g. by accessing direct supplies from Central Asia; strengthen its strategic role as a transit country for supplying the EU with oil and gas, e.g. by backing a reversal of the Odessa-Brody pipeline and advocating its extension into the EU; emphasise the need to involve Ukraine in the development of the Nabucco gas pipeline project, to complete the Caspian Sea-Black Sea-EU energy corridor and to join Ukraine's electricity grid to the UCTE network;*

Or. en

Amendment by Janusz Onyszkiewicz

Amendment 56

Paragraph 11, point (g)

- g) urge therefore that the energy sector of Ukraine fully complies with principles of*

market economy and transparency, in particular as far as prices, network access and efficiency are concerned; support rapid integration of Ukraine into the European Energy Community; ***press for a strengthening of energy cooperation within the framework of GUUAM***; assist diversification of Ukraine's resources, e.g. by accessing direct supplies from Central Asia; strengthen its strategic role as a transit country for supplying the EU with oil and gas, e.g. by backing a reversal of the Odessa-Brody pipeline and advocating its extension into the EU;

Or. en

Amendment by Milan Horáček, Rebecca Harms

Amendment 57

Paragraph 11, point (g a) (new)

ga) call on the political leadership of Ukraine to implement the relevant provisions of the Kyoto Protocol to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, especially bearing in mind the significant possibilities open to Ukraine to use flexible mechanisms under that Protocol;

Or. en

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 58

Paragraph 11, point (g a) (new)

ga) deepen cooperation on environmental issues, provide technical and financial assistance to Ukraine in the process of gradual approximation to the EU environmental acquis and environmental standards based on international environmental law; support joint action by the EU and Ukraine on the future of the Kyoto Protocol;

Or. en

Amendment by Charles Tannock

Amendment 59

Paragraph 11, point (h)

h) strengthen Ukraine's potential as a key partner in management of migration flows and borders; envisage further joint steps in the fight against organised crime *including the eventual conferment on Ukraine of 'privileged status' in relation to Europol*; ensure

effective implementation of visa facilitation and readmission agreements; envisage the objective of and necessary steps towards the introduction of a visa-free travel regime;

Or. en

Amendment by István Szent-Iványi, Grażyna Staniszewska

Amendment 60

Paragraph 11, point (h a) (new)

ha) *strengthen Ukraine's capacity to tackle key environmental issues relating to air and water quality, waste management, nature protection and radiation contamination, some of which have strong cross-border implications;*

Or. en

Amendment by Milan Horáček, Rebecca Harms

Amendment 61

Paragraph 11, point (h a) (new)

ha) *stress the importance of tackling the institutional and administrative capacity needs, particularly as regards strategic planning, implementation and enforcement, especially in the fields of air pollution, water quality, waste management, industrial pollution, nature protection and cross-border environmental issues; suggest in this regard the setting-up of a fully operational Regional Environment Centre (REC) which could help to promote environmental awareness and protection by providing a forum for cooperation between the Government, civil society/NGOs and the private sector;*

Or. en

Amendment by Adrian Severin, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Libor Rouček, Marek Siwiec, Hannes Swoboda, Justas Vincas Paleckis

Amendment 62

Paragraph 11, point (i)

i) *provide for Ukraine's participation in Community agencies and programmes in order to increase the access of its policy-makers and experts to European networks; increase and widen opportunities for people-to-people contacts, in particular for civil society actors, students and researchers; enhance cooperation in the context of the Seventh Research Framework Programme and continue the work on the establishment/development of a structured EU-Ukraine dialogue on science,*

technology and space research;

Or. en

Amendment by Justas Vincas Paleckis, Jan Marinus Wiersma

Amendment 63

Paragraph 11, point (i a) (new)

ia) point out that the Member States which joined the EU in 2004 and 2007 should play an active role in Ukraine's move towards the European Union, allowing Ukraine to benefit from their experience of reforms;

Or. en