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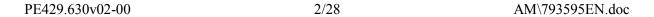
# AMENDMENTS 1 - 45

**Draft opinion Annemie Neyts-Uyttebroeck** (PE428.281v01-00)

on the institutional aspects of setting up the European External Action Service (2009/2133(INI))

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# Amendment 1 Franziska Katharina Brantner, Indrek Tarand

# Draft opinion Paragraph 1

## Draft opinion

1. Recalls that the role of the European Union as a global player has increased over the last decades and that a new approach is needed if the EU is to act collectively *and* meet global challenges in a coherent, consistent and efficient manner;

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1. Recalls that the role of the European Union as a global player has increased over the last decades and that a new approach is needed if the EU is to *speak with one voice in the international arena and* act collectively, meet global *and regional* challenges in a coherent, consistent and efficient manner *and further human rights and human security, peace-building and a stable and democratic neighbourhood*;

Or. en

Amendment 2 Sabine Lösing

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

1a. Stresses that the discussion in Parliament's Committee on Foreign Affairs on the establishment of the European External Action Service (EEAS) was organised at very short notice; accordingly, requests the Committee on Constitutional Affairs, as the lead committee, to call on the Commission to extend the time available for consideration and discussion of the establishment of the EEAS, so as to allow Parliament properly to give its opinion on this new service and on the way in which it should be designed by the Commission;

Amendment 3 Marielle De Sarnez

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

1a. Recalls that, since 2000, the European Union has committed itself to setting up an international peace-keeping force consisting of civilians to participate in crisis management and conflict prevention in third countries; endorses the view that the Union should participate directly in conflict prevention and the consolidation of peace after conflicts by giving peace-keepers the requisite skills and abilities to prevent civil and humanitarian crises;

Or. fr

Amendment 4 Tomasz Piotr Poręba

Draft opinion Paragraph 2

### Draft opinion

2. Welcomes the outcome of the Irish referendum, which paves the way for completion of the procedure for ratification of the Treaty of Lisbon and the setting-up of a new institutional structure, including a permanent President of the European Council, who will ensure external representation of the EU on issues concerning its common foreign and security policy (CFSP), and the new post of High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, who will also act as a Vice-President of the

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2. *Notes that* the Treaty of Lisbon *provides for* the setting-up of a new institutional structure, including a permanent President of the European Council, who will ensure external representation of the EU on issues concerning its common foreign and security policy (CFSP), and the new post of High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, who will also act as a Vice-President of the European Commission; notes that the High Representative will be mandated by the Council to conduct the Union's CFSP and

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European Commission; notes that the High Representative will be mandated by the Council to conduct the Union's CFSP and to make proposals for the development of that policy and that the unity, consistency and effectiveness of the external action of the Union will be ensured by the Council and the High Representative; recalls that, in fulfilling his mandate, the High Representative will be assisted by the European External Action Service (EEAS); to make proposals for the development of that policy and that the unity, consistency and effectiveness of the external action of the Union will be ensured by the Council and the High Representative; recalls that, in fulfilling his mandate, the High Representative will be assisted by the European External Action Service (EEAS);

Or. en

## Amendment 5 Franziska Katharina Brantner, Indrek Tarand

# Draft opinion Paragraph 3

## Draft opinion

3. Underlines the fact that the European Parliament has consistently called for the creation of a common European diplomatic service, which would be commensurate with the Union's international role, and which will raise the visibility and enhance the capacity of the Union to act effectively in the international arena; calls on the Council, the Commission and Member States to seize the opportunity offered by the setting-up of the EEAS to create a more coherent, consistent and effective foreign policy;

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3. Underlines the fact that the European Parliament has consistently called for the creation of a common European diplomatic service, which would be commensurate with the Union's international role, would make better use of existing resources and would overcome the traditional divisions between foreign policy, development and defence in favour of a cross-cutting approach, and which will raise the visibility and enhance the capacity of the Union to act effectively in the international arena in accordance with the EU's founding values and the principles laid down for the Union's external action under Article 21 of the Treaty on European Union in the version thereof resulting from the Lisbon Treaty; calls on the Council, the Commission and Member States to seize the opportunity offered by the setting-up of the EEAS to create a more coherent, consistent and effective foreign policy;

Amendment 6 Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Draft opinion Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

3a. Points out that the principle of gender equality requires that the equal representation of women and men in public life be also observed in the nomination procedure for the most important political posts of the European Union, such as the nomination of the permanent President of the European Council and of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy;

Or. en

Amendment 7 Kinga Gál, György Schöpflin

Draft opinion Paragraph 4

## Draft opinion

4. Taking into account the fact that the European Parliament will be consulted on the setting-up of the EEAS, and given the budgetary consequences, believes that an early and substantive dialogue with Parliament is essential for the effective start-up of the EEAS and to ensure that it receives the necessary financial resources;

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4. Taking into account the fact that the European Parliament will be consulted on the setting-up of the EEAS, and given the budgetary consequences, believes that an early and substantive dialogue with Parliament is essential for the effective start-up of the EEAS and to ensure that it receives the necessary financial resources from the Community budget in line with all the requisite agreements, so as to ensure that the EEAS is able to operate financially as a sui generis body;

Amendment 8 Marielle De Sarnez

Draft opinion Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Recalls that the mandate and responsibilities, as well as the resources, both human and material, of the EEAS must be clearly defined and financed under codecision with the European Parliament;

Or. fr

Amendment 9 Cristian Dan Preda

Draft opinion Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Takes the view that the budget of the EEAS should be included systematically in the multiannual financial framework and that it should be shaped by taking into account the medium and long term priorities of the EU's external action;

## Amendment 10 Elmar Brok

## Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point a

## Draft opinion

(a) the EEAS should be established and set up within the administrative and budgetary remit of the Commission while faithfully carrying out its Treaty mandate to assist the High Representative in conducting the Union's common foreign and security policy on behalf of the Council;

### Amendment

(a) the EEAS *should not be an autonomous service but* should be established and set up within the administrative and budgetary remit of the Commission while faithfully carrying out its Treaty mandate to assist the High Representative in conducting the Union's common foreign and security policy on behalf of the Council *and pursuing the Commission's external action*;

Or. en

Amendment 11 Franziska Katharina Brantner

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point a

## Draft opinion

(a) the EEAS should be established and set up within the administrative and budgetary remit of the Commission while faithfully carrying out its Treaty mandate to assist the High Representative in conducting the Union's common foreign and security policy *on behalf of the Council*;

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(a) the EEAS should be established and set up within the administrative and budgetary remit of the Commission while faithfully carrying out its Treaty mandate to assist the *Vice-President/*High Representative in conducting the Union's common foreign and security policy;

Amendment 12 Franziska Katharina Brantner

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point a a (new)

Draft opinion

### Amendment

(aa) the institutional set-up of the EEAS must include a gender architecture that duly reflects the Union's commitments with regard to gender mainstreaming; furthermore, the structure and working methods of the EEAS must enhance deconcentration and decentralisation of decision-making and implementation of EU programmes, projects and policies, and must ensure that the heads of the new EEAS embassies serve as the chief residential coordinators for all external policies in their given country, including those administered by Special Representatives and European Security and Defence Policy (ESDP) missions;

Or en

**Amendment 13 Richard Howitt** 

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point b

## Draft opinion

(b) the EEAS must deal with the CFSP and the common security and defence policy (CSDP) and with the tasks and policies currently dealt with by the Directorate-General for External Relations (DG Relex) in the Commission; in addition, the High Representative should present a comprehensive proposal on how other major external action-related policies will be organised in the new institutional set-

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(b) the EEAS must deal with the CFSP and the common security and defence policy (CSDP); it must also deal with the European Neighbourhood Policy and with those Community policies concerning human rights, security and conflict prevention which are currently dealt with by the Directorate-General for External Relations (DG Relex) in the Commission; the EEAS should have

up; enlargement, trade, development and humanitarian aid together constitute a substantial part of the EU's overall external policies; there are compelling reasons to include development policy in the new service:

geographical desks covering the entire world; in addition, the High Representative should present a comprehensive proposal on how other major external action-related policies will be organised in the new institutional set-up; however, enlargement, development and trade should maintain their own separate identity and focus within the European Commission; there are compelling reasons to maintain combined responsibility for development policy programming and implementation under a single Development Commissioner, but with co-signatory rights on programming being granted to the High Representative;

Or. en

Amendment 14 Vincent Peillon, Véronique De Keyser

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point b

## Draft opinion

(b) the EEAS must deal with the CFSP and the common security and defence policy (CSDP) and with the tasks and policies currently dealt with by the Directorate-General for External Relations (DG Relex) in the Commission; in addition, the High Representative should present a comprehensive proposal on how other major external action-related policies will be organised in the new institutional setup; enlargement, trade, development and humanitarian aid together constitute a substantial part of the EU's overall external policies; there are compelling reasons to include development policy in the new service:

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(b) the EEAS must deal with the CFSP and the common security and defence policy (CSDP) and with the tasks and policies currently dealt with by the Directorate-General for External Relations (DG Relex) in the Commission; in addition, the High Representative, jointly with the Commissioners concerned, should present a comprehensive proposal on how other major external action-related policies will be organised in the new institutional setup; enlargement, trade, development and humanitarian aid together constitute a substantial part of the EU's overall external policies, but their autonomy must be preserved, so that they cannot be included *in the remit of* the new service;

Or. fr

## Amendment 15 María Paloma Muñiz De Urquiza

# Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point b

## Draft opinion

(b) the EEAS must deal with the CFSP and the common security and defence policy (CSDP) and with the tasks and policies currently dealt with by the Directorate-General for External Relations (DG Relex) in the Commission; in addition, the High Representative should present a comprehensive proposal on how other major external action-related policies will be organised in the new institutional setup; enlargement, trade, development and humanitarian aid together constitute a substantial part of the EU's overall external policies; there are compelling reasons to include development policy in the new service;

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Or. en

# Amendment 16 Andrey Kovatchev, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Cristian Dan Preda

# Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point b

### Draft opinion

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comprehensive proposal on how other major external action-related policies will be organised in the new institutional set-up; enlargement, trade, development and humanitarian aid together constitute a substantial part of the EU's overall external policies; there are compelling reasons to include development policy in the new service:

comprehensive proposal on how other major external action-related policies will be organised in the new institutional setup; there are compelling reasons to include development policy and humanitarian aid in the new service; in view of their specific characteristics, enlargement and trade should not be included in the remit of the EEAS:

Or. en

Amendment 17 Kinga Gál, György Schöpflin

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point b

## Draft opinion

(b) the EEAS must deal with the CFSP and the common security and defence policy (CSDP) and with the tasks and policies currently dealt with by the Directorate-General for External Relations (DG Relex) in the Commission; in addition, the High Representative should present a comprehensive proposal on how other major external action-related policies will be organised in the new institutional setup; enlargement, trade, development and humanitarian aid together constitute a substantial part of the EU's overall external policies; there are compelling reasons to include development policy in the new service;

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(b) the EEAS must deal with the CFSP and the common security and defence policy (CSDP) and with the tasks and policies currently dealt with by the Directorate-General for External Relations (DG Relex) in the Commission; in addition, the High Representative should present a comprehensive proposal on how other major external action-related policies will be organised in the new institutional setup; enlargement, human rights, energy security, climate change, trade, development and humanitarian aid together constitute a substantial part of the EU's overall external policies; in order to achieve a single common foreign policy through the institutional set-up, there are compelling reasons to include development policy and enlargement policy, where appropriate, in areas within the new service;

## Amendment 18 Franziska Katharina Brantner

## Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point b

## Draft opinion

(b) the EEAS must deal with the CFSP and the common security and defence policy (CSDP) and with the tasks and policies currently dealt with by the Directorate-General for External Relations (DG Relex) in the Commission; in addition, the High Representative should present a comprehensive proposal on how other major external action-related policies will be organised in the new institutional setup; enlargement, trade, development and humanitarian aid together constitute a substantial part of the EU's overall external policies; there are compelling reasons to include development policy in the new service;

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Or. en

Amendment 19 Thijs Berman, Emine Bozkurt

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point b

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(b) the EEAS must deal with the CFSP and the common security and defence policy (CSDP) and with the tasks and policies currently dealt with by the Directorate-General for External Relations (DG Relex) in the Commission; in addition, the High Representative should present a comprehensive proposal on how other major external action-related policies will be organised in the new institutional setup; enlargement, trade, development and

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humanitarian aid together constitute a substantial part of the EU's overall external policies; there are compelling reasons to include development policy in the new service; humanitarian aid together constitute a substantial part of the EU's overall external policies:

Or. en

Amendment 20 Heidi Hautala, Barbara Lochbihler, Nicole Kiil-Nielsen, Frieda Brepoels

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point b a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

(ba) the EEAS must guarantee full application of the Charter of Fundamental Rights in all aspects of the Union's external action in accordance with the spirit and purpose of the Lisbon Treaty; expects, at the same time, that the EEAS will ensure that the respect for, and the promotion of, human rights are at the core of the different areas of the Union's external policy as enshrined in Articles 2, 3 and 21 of the Treaty on European Union in the version thereof resulting from the Lisbon Treaty; underlines the responsibility of the EEAS to guarantee the consistency between its external action and its other policies in accordance with the Article 21(3);

# Amendment 21 Sabine Lösing

## Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point c

## Draft opinion

(c) the EEAS must include the military and civilian crisis management units within the Council secretariat, even if for military personnel the command and organisational structure may have to differ from that for civilian personnel; the sharing of the intelligence analysis of players within the EEAS is of vital importance in order to assist the High Representative in fulfilling his/her mandate of conducting a coherent, consistent and efficient external Union policy;

### Amendment

(c) the EEAS must *not* include the military and civilian crisis management units within the Council secretariat;

Or. en

Amendment 22 Tomasz Piotr Poręba

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point c

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Amendment 23 Norica Nicolai

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point c

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#### Amendment

(c) the EEAS must include *particular* branches for the military and civilian crisis management units within the Council secretariat, retaining the necessary type of institutional and command structure for both units; the EEAS, through its respective branches, should be permanently available for the purposes of communication and consultation with Parliament's relevant committees and subcommittees; in addition, the High Representative should present a comprehensive proposal on the capacity build-up of the EEAS in terms of the management, analysis and sharing of intelligence within the EEAS, this being a key issue for conducting a coherent, consistent and efficient external Union policy;

Or. en

Amendment 24 Franziska Katharina Brantner

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point c

## Draft opinion

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civilian personnel; the sharing of the intelligence analysis of players within the EEAS is of vital importance in order to assist the High Representative in fulfilling his/her mandate of conducting a coherent, consistent and efficient external Union policy;

civilian personnel; it must also include a department for peace-building and crisis management; access to the Situation Centre (SitCen) and the sharing of the intelligence analysis of EU Member States and players within the EEAS is of vital importance in order to assist the High Representative in fulfilling his/her mandate of conducting a coherent, consistent and efficient external Union policy;

Or. en

Amendment 25 Marielle De Sarnez

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point c a (new)

Draft opinion

### Amendment

(ca) the Service should permit the establishment of a 'European civil security reserve' comprising units from each country, trained to work together to respond more effectively to major disasters (forest fires or floods, but also the use of weapons of mass destruction for terrorist purposes or technological risks) and, if appropriate, to serve as a tool for European intervention in response to major disasters elsewhere in the world, which intervention could constitute a strong political action which would give Europe the image of a protector;

Or. fr

# Amendment 26 Richard Howitt

## Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point d

## Draft opinion

(d) the High Representative should pay particular attention to recruitment and staff issues, as the EEAS will encompass staff from the Commission, from the Council and from the Member States; for the EEAS to become a professional diplomatic service it will need to be adequately resourced and staffed on the basis of merit and with respect for the appropriate selection procedures and an adequate geographical balance;

## Amendment

(d) the High Representative should pay particular attention to recruitment and staff issues, and the EEAS must indeed be created by equitably recruiting new staff from each of the Commission, the Council and the Member States; for the EEAS to become a professional diplomatic service it will need to be adequately resourced and staffed on the basis of merit and with respect for the appropriate selection procedures and an adequate geographical balance;

Or. en

# Amendment 27 Maria Eleni Koppa

# Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point d

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## Amendment

(d) the High Representative should pay particular attention to recruitment and staff issues, as the EEAS will encompass staff from the Commission, from the Council and from the Member States; for the EEAS to become a professional diplomatic service it will need to be adequately resourced and staffed on the basis of merit and with respect for *a transparent and objective* selection *procedure* and *a proportionate* geographical *representation*;

## Amendment 28 Franziska Katharina Brantner

# Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point f

## Draft opinion

(f) the building of an "esprit de corps" through joint training and professional development is essential for the EEAS's ultimate objective of creating a framework of integrated diplomacy that brings together national and European levels of diplomacy; in order to develop a common European diplomatic culture in the EU's international relations, joint training programmes and a common diplomatic syllabus will be required; the existing training measures and networks of diplomatic training centres could usefully be brought together in a European *Diplomatic* Academy;

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(f) the building of an "esprit de corps" through joint training and professional development is essential for the EEAS's ultimate objective of creating a framework of integrated diplomacy that brings together national and European levels of diplomacy, ESDP and civilian crisis management and conflict prevention experts; in order to develop a common European diplomatic culture in the EU's international relations, joint training programmes and a common diplomatic syllabus will be required; the existing training measures and networks of diplomatic training centres could usefully be brought together in a European External Action Academy which will incorporate existing training structures such as the Defence College and which will give EU personnel from the EEAS as well as from ESDP missions a comprehensive training;

Or. en

Amendment 29 Ernst Strasser

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point f

## Draft opinion

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ultimate objective of creating a framework of integrated diplomacy that brings together national and European levels of diplomacy; in order to develop a common European diplomatic culture in the EU's international relations, joint training programmes and a common diplomatic syllabus will be required; the existing training measures and networks of diplomatic training centres could usefully be enhanced. They could also possibly be brought together in a European Diplomatic Academy based, amongst others, on appropriate establishments of the Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 30 Norica Nicolai

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point f a (new)

Draft opinion

#### Amendment

(fa) moreover, the EEAS should help to coordinate among the offices of the High Representative, the President of the European Council, the President of the Commission and the Heads of State or Government of the rotating Presidency in order to provide unified and cohesive responses in any possible foreign affairs situation; permanent coordination should be established taking into account the position of the European Parliament, through its President, committees and delegations;

Amendment 31 Hans-Gert Pöttering

Draft opinion Paragraph 5 – point f a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

(fa) the EEAS must ensure that the European Parliament has contact persons in the EU delegations that guarantee cooperation with the European Parliament (for example in order to look after parliamentary contacts in third countries);

Or. en

Amendment 32 Frieda Brepoels

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

# Draft opinion

6. While the European Union delegations will be an integral part of the EEAS, and while they should take their instructions from and be subject to the supervision of the High Representative and should administratively belong to the Commission, requests the next High Representative to commit him/herself to informing Parliament's Committee on Foreign Affairs about his/her appointments to senior posts in the EEAS and to agreeing to the committee conducting hearings with the nominees, if the committee so decides; also requests that the next High Representative commit him/herself to renegotiating the current interinstitutional agreement with the European Parliament, in particular on access to sensitive information and other issues relevant for smooth interinstitutional cooperation;

#### Amendment

6. While the European Union delegations will be an integral part of the EEAS, and while they should take their instructions from and be subject to the supervision of the High Representative and should administratively belong to the Commission, requests the next High Representative to commit him/herself to informing Parliament's Committees on Foreign Affairs and Development about his/her appointments to senior posts in the EEAS and to agreeing to the committee conducting hearings with the nominees, if the committee so decides; also requests that the next High Representative commit him/herself to renegotiating the current interinstitutional agreement with the European Parliament, in particular on access to sensitive information and other issues relevant for smooth interinstitutional Amendment 33 Thijs Berman

Draft opinion Paragraph 6

## Draft opinion

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# Amendment 34 Tomasz Piotr Poreba

# Draft opinion Paragraph 7

## Draft opinion

7. Notes that, while the EU delegations in third countries will complement existing diplomatic representations of the Member States, there will be possibilities for long-term gains in efficiency, as the future EU delegation could in many cases take over consular services and deal with Schengen visa issues;

### Amendment

7. Notes that the EU delegations in third countries will complement existing diplomatic representations of the Member States:

Or. en

Amendment 35 Elmar Brok

Draft opinion Paragraph 7

## Draft opinion

7. Notes that, while the EU delegations in third countries will complement existing diplomatic representations of the Member States, there will be possibilities for long-term gains in efficiency, as the future EU delegation could *in many cases* take over consular services *and deal with Schengen visa issues*;

#### Amendment

7. Notes that, while the EU delegations in third countries will complement existing diplomatic representations of the Member States, there will be possibilities for long-term gains in efficiency, as the future EU delegation could *gradually*, *where necessary*, take over consular services;

# Amendment 36 Anna Ibrisagic

# Draft opinion Paragraph 7

## Draft opinion

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7. Notes that, while the EU delegations in third countries will complement existing diplomatic representations of the Member States, there will be possibilities for long-term gains in efficiency, as the future EU delegation could *gradually*, *where necessary*, take over consular services;

Or. en

# Amendment 37 Maria Eleni Koppa

# Draft opinion Paragraph 7

## Draft opinion

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7. Notes that, while the EU delegations in third countries will complement existing diplomatic representations of the Member States, there will be possibilities for long-term gains in efficiency, as the future EU delegation could in many cases, and especially in the absence of national representations, take over consular services and deal with Schengen visa issues:

# Amendment 38 Richard Howitt

# Draft opinion Paragraph 7

## Draft opinion

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Or. en

Amendment 39 Traian Ungureanu

Draft opinion Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

## Amendment

7a. Stresses that establishing robust and effective EU delegations in the countries included in the European Neighbourhood Policy, and in particular in the European ones, should constitute a priority of the future EEAS, in order to enable the EU to further develop and strengthen its privileged relations with those countries;

## Amendment 40 Elmar Brok

# Draft opinion Paragraph 8

## Draft opinion

8. Calls on the Commission, the Council, the Member States and the next High Representative to clearly commit themselves to a comprehensive and ambitious plan for the setting-up of the EEAS, as a gradual and step-by-step approach could lead to inconsistencies and waste of resources;

## Amendment

8. Calls on the next High Representative and Vice-President of the European Commission, the Commission and the Council, while involving the European Parliament, to clearly commit themselves to arriving at a consensual plan for the setting-up of the EEAS;

Or. en

# Amendment 41 Andrey Kovatchev, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Cristian Dan Preda, Arnaud Danjean

# Draft opinion Paragraph 8

### Draft opinion

8. Calls on the Commission, the Council, the Member States and the next High Representative to clearly commit themselves to a comprehensive and ambitious plan for the setting-up of the EEAS, as a gradual and step-by-step approach could lead to inconsistencies and waste of resources;

#### Amendment

8. Calls on the Commission, the Council, the Member States and the next High Representative to clearly commit themselves to a comprehensive and ambitious plan for the setting-up of the EEAS; in view of the complexity of the issues involved, and in order to ensure fair representation of all Member States in the EEAS, a gradual approach should be implemented. A "review clause" should be envisaged within a reasonable time-frame;

## Amendment 42 Marielle De Sarnez

# Draft opinion Paragraph 8

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Or. fr

Amendment 43 Alexander Graf Lambsdorff

Draft opinion Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft opinion

## Amendment

8a. Recommends the launch of a process of streamlining existing EU representations at multilateral fora such as the Council and Commission offices at the United Nations; suggests that the possibility be examined of setting up EU delegations at multilateral fora where no such delegation currently exists and where there is a practical need for an EU presence, such as at NATO and the OSCE;

# Amendment 44 Kinga Gál, György Schöpflin

# Draft opinion Paragraph 9

## Draft opinion

9. Reiterates its determination to exercise its budgetary powers to the full in connection with these institutional innovations; emphasises that all aspects of the funding arrangements for the EEAS must remain under the supervision of the budgetary authority in accordance with the Treaties

### Amendment

9. Reiterates its determination to exercise its budgetary powers to the full in connection with these institutional innovations *and calls for financial revision before the new budgetary term*; emphasises that all aspects of the funding arrangements for the EEAS must remain under the supervision of the budgetary authority in accordance with the Treaties.

Or. en

Amendment 45 Diogo Feio, José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra

Draft opinion Paragraph 9 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

9a. Calls on the Commission, the Council, the Member States and the next High Representative to consider the strategic importance of European world languages as a fundamental part of Europe's public diplomacy, especially when establishing the linguistic rules by which the EEAS is to operate.