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AMENDMENTS

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Draft motion for a resolution
Cristian Dan Preda
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on Iceland's application for membership of the European Union

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Amendment 1

Indrek Tarand, Heidi Hautala, Judith Sargentini

Draft motion for a resolution

Citation -4 (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to the Council Regulation of 31 May 2010 adding Iceland to the list of countries eligible for EU pre-accession aid to help applicant countries come into line with the body of European law,

Or. en

Amendment 2

Elmar Brok

Draft motion for a resolution

Recital B

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. whereas each country's progress towards membership of the European Union is a merit-based one and depends on its efforts to comply with the accession criteria,

B. whereas each country's progress towards membership of the European Union is a merit-based one and depends on its efforts to comply with the accession criteria, ***while the EU integration capacity must also be respected,***

Or. en

Amendment 3

Andreas Mölzer

Draft motion for a resolution

Recital E

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

E. whereas, ***since previous enlargements have undoubtedly been a success both for the European Union and for the Member***

E. whereas it is essential to create the conditions needed to complete the accession process with Iceland and ensure

States which joined it and have contributed to the stability, development and prosperity of Europe as a whole, it is essential to create the conditions needed to complete the accession process with Iceland and ensure that its accession will be a success too,

that its accession will be a success too,

Or. en

Amendment 4

Indrek Tarand, Heidi Hautala, Judith Sargentini

Draft motion for a resolution

Recital E

Draft motion for a resolution

E. whereas, since *previous enlargements have undoubtedly* been a success both for the European Union and for the Member States which joined it and have contributed to the stability, development and prosperity of Europe as a whole, it is essential to create the conditions needed to complete the accession process with Iceland and ensure that its accession will be a success too,

Amendment

E. whereas, since *the enlargement process has* been a success both for the European Union and for the Member States which joined it and have contributed to the stability, development and prosperity of Europe as a whole, it is essential to create the conditions needed to complete the accession process with Iceland and ensure that its accession will be a success too,

Or. en

Amendment 5

Dominique Vlasto

Draft motion for a resolution

Recital E

Draft motion for a resolution

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of Europe as a whole, it is essential to create the conditions needed to complete the accession process with Iceland and ensure that its accession will be a success too,

of Europe as a whole, it is essential to create the conditions needed to complete the accession process with Iceland and ensure that its accession will be a success too, *in compliance with the Copenhagen criteria*,

Or. en

Amendment 6
Dominique Vlasto

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital E a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ea. whereas the EU membership of Iceland is an important opportunity for this country, but the interests and the will of the Icelandic and the European people and of the Member States must be taken into account and be respected,

Or. en

Amendment 7
Dominique Vlasto

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital G a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ga. whereas this cooperation and these agreements between Iceland and the EU are necessary but not sufficient to be a Member of the EU; whereas it insists on the importance for Iceland to effectively fulfil the conditions before becoming a Member in order to avoid potential difficulties for complying with the EU Treaties and membership obligations,

Amendment 8
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital J

Draft motion for a resolution

J. whereas Iceland is contributing to EU peacekeeping missions and aligns itself regularly with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy,

Amendment

J. whereas Iceland, ***as a country with a non-military tradition,*** is contributing to EU peacekeeping missions ***with civilian capacity*** and aligns itself regularly with the EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy,

Amendment 9
Ria Oomen-Ruijten, Elmar Brok

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital L

Draft motion for a resolution

L. whereas ***following a referendum on 6 March 2010, an agreement with the governments of*** the United Kingdom and ***the*** Netherlands on the repayment of a ***3.9 billion EUR*** loan has been rejected and the involved parties are expected to reach a new agreement,

Amendment

L. whereas the United Kingdom and Netherlands ***governments signed two agreements with the Icelandic Government in June and October 2009*** on the ***terms of the*** repayment of a ***1,3 billion EUR*** loan ***with the Netherlands and the 2,4 billion Pound loan with the United Kingdom; whereas, following a referendum on 6 March 2010, the October agreement*** has been rejected and the involved parties are expected to reach a new agreement ***on the pay-outs that were within the responsibility of the Icelandic deposit guarantee scheme,***

Amendment 10
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital M

Draft motion for a resolution

M. whereas public opinion and political parties in Iceland are divided on the question of EU membership; whereas public opinion towards EU membership has clearly shifted since summer 2009 *and opposition to EU membership today has never been so high*,

Amendment

M. whereas public opinion and political parties in Iceland are divided on the question of EU membership; whereas public opinion towards EU membership has, *in the light of the political and economic crisis*, clearly shifted *in a negative direction* since summer 2009,

Or. en

Amendment 11
Ria Oomen-Ruijten, Elmar Brok

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital M a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Ma. whereas the EFTA Surveillance Authority stated in its letter of formal notice of 26 May that Iceland is obliged to ensure payment of the minimum compensation to Icesave depositors in the United Kingdom and the Netherlands,

Or. en

Amendment 12
Dominique Vlasto

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital N a (new)

Na. whereas, because of the geographical situation of Iceland, careful attention needs to be paid to it as a relatively far-away island and, as result of it, may be necessary to define specific measures to adapt the functioning of the internal market and to avoid the isolation of the Icelandic territory and people,

Or. en

Amendment 13

Indrek Tarand, Heidi Hautala, Judith Sargentini

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Draft motion for a resolution

1. Welcomes the perspective of having as a new EU Member State a country with a strong democratic culture; underlines, in this context, that Iceland's accession ***will*** benefit both the country and the EU and will further enhance the Union's role as a world-wide promoter and defender of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

Amendment

1. Welcomes the perspective of having as a new EU Member State a country with a strong democratic culture; underlines, in this context, that Iceland's accession ***can*** benefit both the country and the EU and will further enhance the Union's role as a world-wide promoter and defender of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

Or. en

Amendment 14

Marietje Schaake

Draft motion for a resolution

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Amendment

1. Welcomes the perspective of having as a new EU Member State a country with a strong democratic culture; underlines, in

this context, that Iceland's accession will benefit both the country and the EU and will further enhance the Union's role as a world-wide promoter and defender of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

this context, that Iceland's accession will benefit both the country and the EU and will further enhance the Union's role as a world-wide promoter and defender of human rights and fundamental freedoms; *particularly welcomes in this context the Icelandic Modern Media Initiative, enabling both Iceland and the EU to strongly position itself legally with regard to the protection of freedoms of expression and information;*

Or. en

Amendment 15

Andreas Mölzer

Draft motion for a resolution **Paragraph 1**

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Amendment

1. Welcomes the perspective of having as a new EU Member State a country with a strong democratic culture; underlines, in this context, that Iceland's accession will *likely* benefit both the country and the EU and will further enhance the Union's role as a world-wide promoter and defender of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

Or. en

Amendment 16

Indrek Tarand

Draft motion for a resolution **Paragraph 3**

Draft motion for a resolution

3. Invites the Icelandic authorities to tackle the current distinction made between EU citizens concerning their

Amendment

deleted

right to vote and stand as candidate in local elections in Iceland;

Or. en

Amendment 17
Dominique Vlasto

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Draft motion for a resolution

3. Invites the Icelandic authorities to tackle the current distinction made between EU citizens concerning their right to vote and stand as candidate in local elections in Iceland;

Amendment

3. Invites the Icelandic authorities to tackle the current distinction made between EU citizens concerning their right to vote and stand as candidate in local elections in Iceland; ***underlines that this issue is crucial for the protection and the reinforcement of the European identity and citizenship, and will contribute to move closer the people from each Member State;***

Or. en

Amendment 18
David-Maria Sassoli

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Draft motion for a resolution

4. Is of the opinion that the government of Iceland should adopt special mechanisms in order to ensure the independence of the judiciary ***and to avoid conflicts of interest;***

Amendment

4. ***Points out that under the new EU enlargement strategy the judicial system is one of the areas to which the EU is paying particular attention even at the early pre-accession stage;*** is of the opinion that the government of Iceland should adopt special mechanisms in order to ensure the independence of the judiciary ***in line with Venice Commission recommendations;*** ***calls on Iceland to adequately address the***

issue of predominance given to the Minister of Justice and Human Rights in the appointments of judges, prosecutors and supreme judicial authorities;

Or. en

Amendment 19

Indrek Tarand, Heidi Hautala, Judith Sargentini

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Draft motion for a resolution

4. *Is of the opinion that* the government of Iceland *should* adopt *special mechanisms* in order to ensure the independence of the judiciary and to avoid conflicts of interest;

Amendment

4. *Calls on* the government of Iceland *to* adopt *the necessary measures* in order to ensure the independence of the judiciary and to avoid conflicts of interest;

Or. en

Amendment 20

Johannes Cornelis van Baalen

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Draft motion for a resolution

4. Is of the opinion that the government of Iceland should adopt special mechanisms in order to ensure the independence of the judiciary and to avoid conflicts of interest;

Amendment

4. Is of the opinion that the government of Iceland should adopt special mechanisms in order to ensure the independence of the judiciary and to avoid conflicts of interest; *trusts fully the Icelandic political and judicial systems to adopt the necessary changes;*

Or. en

Amendment 21
David-Maria Sassoli

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

4a. Is seriously concerned over conflicts of interest in Iceland's public life, in particular as regards close links between the political class and the business community; recalls the findings by the Special Investigation Commission according to which funds from some banks had been withdrawn by "insiders" just days before the collapse of the banking system; welcomes the fact that key figures accused of negligence as well as those accused of insider trading are currently subject to criminal investigation;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Indrek Tarand

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. Commends Iceland for its good record of human rights; invites, however, the Icelandic authorities to ratify the Council of Europe Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities, as well as the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;

6. Commends Iceland for its good record of human rights; invites, however, the Icelandic authorities to ratify the Council of Europe Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities, as well as the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities ***even though Member States like France and Luxembourg have not yet done so;***

Or. en

Amendment 23
David-Maria Sassoli

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Draft motion for a resolution

8. **Notes** that Iceland has a satisfactory track record in implementing its EEA obligations and in its ability to withstand competitive pressure and market forces within the EU;

Amendment

8. **Recalls** that Iceland has a satisfactory track record in implementing its EEA obligations and in its ability to withstand competitive pressure and market forces within the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Ria Oomen-Ruijten, Elmar Brok

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Draft motion for a resolution

8. Notes that Iceland has a satisfactory track record in implementing its EEA obligations and in its ability to withstand competitive pressure and market forces within the EU;

Amendment

8. Notes that Iceland has a **generally** satisfactory track record in implementing its EEA obligations and in its ability to withstand competitive pressure and market forces within the EU; ***notes, however, in this context the letter of formal notice the EFTA Surveillance Authority sent on 26 May to Iceland for failure to comply with its obligations under the EEA Agreement in implementing Directive 94/14/EC on the deposit guarantee schemes;***

Or. en

Amendment 25
Charles Tannock

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Draft motion for a resolution

8. Notes that Iceland has a satisfactory track record in implementing its EEA obligations and in its ability to withstand competitive pressure and market forces within the EU;

Amendment

8. Notes that Iceland has a **broadly** satisfactory track record in implementing its EEA obligations and in its ability to withstand competitive pressure and market forces within the EU **and in this regard reminds Iceland's authorities about the outstanding problem of complying with the obligations of the EU Deposit Guarantee Directive Nr. 94/14/EC**;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Emine Bozkurt

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Draft motion for a resolution

8. Notes that Iceland has a satisfactory track record in implementing its EEA obligations and in its ability to withstand competitive pressure and market forces within the EU;

Amendment

8. Notes that Iceland **in general** has a satisfactory track record in implementing its EEA obligations and in its ability to withstand competitive pressure and market forces within the EU; **notes, however, in this context the "letter of formal notice for failure to comply" sent by the EFTA Surveillance Authority on the 26th of May 2010 to the Icelandic government concerning deposit guarantee schemes**;

Or. en

Amendment 27
Dominique Baudis

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Recalls that environment is a priority for the European Union and welcomes the strong involvement of Iceland in ecological policies;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Dominique Vlasto

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Insists on the importance for the EU and for Iceland, in the context of the financial, economic and social crisis, to adopt structural reforms in these fields; considers that any enlargement of the euro zone must be accepted only if there is no risk of weakening the Euro, if the competitiveness of the euro zone can be maintained and if conditioned to the respect of the Pact of Stability;

Or. en

Amendment 29
David-Maria Sassoli

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

11. Welcomes the report of the Special Investigation Commission which may contribute to rebuilding national confidence; encourages follow up measures to the work of this Commission

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in order to address the pressing political, economic and institutional shortcomings described in this report;

in order to address the pressing political, economic and institutional shortcomings described in this report; ***hopes that the report will inspire substantial strengthening of the regulatory structures in Iceland and provide important lessons also globally about the need to reform social structures, political culture and public institutions;***

Or. en

Amendment 30
Johannes Cornelis van Baalen

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Welcomes the fact that the Icelandic Pension Funds Association (IPFA) has agreed to organize an independent investigation into the working methods and investment policies of pension schemes in the period before the economic collapse;

Or. en

Amendment 31
Elmar Brok, Ria Oomen-Ruijten

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

12. Calls for reaching ***an*** agreement on the arrangements for the repayment of a 3.9 billion EUR loan to the governments of the UK and the Netherlands ***and points out that this is a bilateral issue which should not constitute an obstacle to launching***

12. Calls for reaching ***a bilateral*** agreement on the arrangements for the repayment of a 3.9 billion EUR loan to the governments of the UK and the Netherlands;

accession negotiations with Iceland;

Or. en

Amendment 32
Charles Tannock

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Draft motion for a resolution

12. Calls for reaching an agreement on the arrangements for the repayment of a 3.9 billion EUR loan to the governments of the UK and the Netherlands and points out that this is a ***bilateral*** issue ***which should not constitute an obstacle to launching accession negotiations with Iceland;***

Amendment

12. Calls for reaching an agreement on the arrangements for the repayment of a 3.9 billion EUR loan to the governments of the UK and the Netherlands and points out that this is ***an*** issue ***of compliance with the Deposit Guarantee Directive and other aspects of the EU acquis;***

Or. en

Amendment 33
Emine Bozkurt

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Draft motion for a resolution

12. Calls for reaching an agreement on the arrangements for the repayment of a 3.9 billion EUR loan to the governments of the UK and the Netherlands and points out that this is ***a bilateral*** issue which should not constitute an obstacle to launching accession negotiations with Iceland;

Amendment

12. Calls for reaching an agreement on the arrangements for the repayment of a 3.9 billion EUR loan to the governments of the UK and the Netherlands and points out that this is ***an*** issue which should not constitute an obstacle to launching accession negotiations with Iceland; ***stresses however that Iceland needs to meet all the accession criteria, including the fulfilment of the obligations stemming from the EEA agreement, before it can be considered as an EU Member State;***

Or. en

Amendment 34
Johannes Cornelis van Baalen

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Draft motion for a resolution

12. Calls for reaching an agreement on the arrangements for the repayment of a 3.9 billion EUR loan to the governments of the UK and the Netherlands and points out that this is a bilateral issue which should not constitute an obstacle to launching accession negotiations with Iceland;

Amendment

12. Calls for reaching an agreement on the arrangements for the repayment of a 3.9 billion EUR loan to the governments of the UK and the Netherlands and points out that this is a bilateral issue which should not constitute an obstacle to launching accession negotiations with Iceland;
underlines that reaching an agreement that is acceptable by all parties will restore the confidence in Iceland's ability to honour its agreements made and strengthen the public support, both inside Iceland and within the EU, for the Icelandic accession process;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Dominique Vlasto

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Draft motion for a resolution

12. Calls for reaching an agreement on the arrangements for the repayment of a 3.9 billion EUR loan to the governments of the UK and the Netherlands and points out that this is a bilateral issue which should not constitute an obstacle to launching accession negotiations with Iceland;

Amendment

12. Calls for reaching an agreement on the arrangements for the repayment of a 3.9 billion EUR loan to the governments of the UK and the Netherlands and points out that this is a bilateral issue which should not constitute an obstacle to launching accession negotiations with Iceland, ***but should be solved before the accession of Iceland, in order to avoid a potential conflict and preserve the necessary solidarity between each Member State;***

Amendment 36
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

12a. Takes note of the decision of the EFTA Surveillance Authority (ESA) to send a "letter of formal notice" to the government of Iceland, thereby taking the first step in an infringement procedure for failing its obligations under the EEA, and welcomes the reaction of readiness of the Icelandic government to conclude the Icesave negotiations at the earliest convenience;

Amendment 37
David-Maria Sassoli

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

13. Takes note of Iceland's desire to become part of the euro zone, ***which can be achieved after*** becoming a member of the EU and ***when all necessary conditions are met***;

13. Takes note of Iceland's desire to become part of the euro zone, ***but points out that the country currently does not fulfil the euro convergence criteria; recalls that Iceland would not be able to adopt the euro without first*** becoming a member of the EU and ***fulfilling the Maastricht criteria***;

Amendment 38
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Draft motion for a resolution

15. Is concerned about ***rising*** unemployment and ***high*** inflation, while noting recent signs of improvement;

Amendment

15. Is concerned about ***the high*** unemployment and inflation, while noting recent signs of improvement;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Draft motion for a resolution

17. Notes that as an EEA member, Iceland ***already completely fulfils*** the requirements of 10 of the negotiating chapters, partly fulfils the requirements of 11 of the negotiating chapters, leaving only 12 chapters not covered by the EEA that need to be completely negotiated;

Amendment

17. Notes that as an EEA member, Iceland ***is at an advanced stage of compliance with*** the requirements of 10 of the negotiating chapters, partly fulfils the requirements of 11 of the negotiating chapters, leaving only 12 chapters not covered by the EEA that need to be completely negotiated;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Ria Oomen-Ruijten, Elmar Brok

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Draft motion for a resolution

17. Notes that as an EEA member, Iceland already ***completely*** fulfils the requirements of 10 of the negotiating chapters, partly fulfils the requirements of 11 of the

Amendment

17. Notes that as an EEA member, Iceland already ***largely*** fulfils the requirements of 10 of the negotiating chapters, partly fulfils the requirements of 11 of the negotiating

negotiating chapters, leaving only 12 chapters not covered by the EEA that need to be completely negotiated;

chapters, leaving only 12 chapters not covered by the EEA that need to be completely negotiated; ***stresses that the European Commission has underlined the need for Iceland to pursue serious efforts to align its legislation with the acquis in a number of areas and to implement and enforce it effectively in the medium term in order to meet the accession criteria; emphasises that the fulfilment of Iceland's obligations under the EEA as well as the Agreement associating Iceland with the implementation, application and development of the Schengen acquis are important requirements in the accession negotiations;***

Or. en

Amendment 41

Indrek Tarand, Heidi Hautala, Judith Sargentini

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Draft motion for a resolution

19. Encourages Iceland to adopt an agricultural and rural development policy in line with EU policies, as well as to put into place the administrative structures necessary to implement these policies;

Amendment

19. Encourages Iceland to adopt an agricultural and rural development policy in line with EU policies, as well as to put into place the administrative structures necessary to implement these policies; ***stresses, in this respect, that EU policies in this field should duly take into account the peculiarity of Iceland's environment and nature;***

Or. en

Amendment 42

Indrek Tarand, Heidi Hautala, Judith Sargentini

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Draft motion for a resolution

21. Hopes on a constructive attitude when negotiating on the need of Iceland to adopt the European Common Fisheries Policy (CFP), in order *to allow for a mutually satisfactory solution based on* best practices *at the end of negotiations*;

Amendment

21. Hopes on a constructive attitude *by both the EU and Icelandic authorities* when negotiating on the need of Iceland to adopt the European Common Fisheries Policy (CFP), in order *that the* best practices *of each party be adopted* at the end of negotiations;

Or. en

Amendment 43
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Draft motion for a resolution

21. *Hopes on* a constructive attitude when negotiating on the need of Iceland to adopt the European Common Fisheries Policy (CFP), in order to allow for a mutually satisfactory solution based on best practices at the end of negotiations;

Amendment

21. *Recognizes the responsible and sustainable manner in which Iceland has managed its marine resources and hopes for* a constructive attitude when negotiating on the need of Iceland to adopt the European Common Fisheries Policy (CFP), in order to allow for a mutually satisfactory solution based on best practices at the end of negotiations;

Or. en

Amendment 44
Dominique Vlasto

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Draft motion for a resolution

21. Hopes on a constructive attitude when negotiating on the need of Iceland to adopt the European Common Fisheries Policy

Amendment

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(CFP), in order to allow for a mutually satisfactory solution based on best practices at the end of negotiations;

(CFP), in order to allow for a mutually satisfactory solution based on best practices at the end of negotiations; ***points out the necessity to protect the competitiveness of the EU fisheries industries and the interests of the EU fishermen;***

Or. en

Amendment 45

Indrek Tarand, Heidi Hautala, Judith Sargentini

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Draft motion for a resolution

22. Encourages Iceland to adopt ***measures in the field of fisheries policy that will allow it to make a transition towards the introduction of the CFP;***

Amendment

22. Encourages Iceland to adopt ***a constructive attitude with respect to the current dispute over fishing for mackerel, and for both parties to negotiate in good faith to ensure an equitable distribution of quotas and ensure the sustainability of the stock;***

Or. en

Amendment 46

Indrek Tarand, Heidi Hautala, Judith Sargentini

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Insists that Iceland cease all whaling and drops all of the reservations that is has lodged at the International Whaling Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 47

Indrek Tarand, Heidi Hautala, Judith Sargentini

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 24

Draft motion for a resolution

24. Considers Iceland's accession to the EU as a strategic opportunity for the EU to have a more active role and contribute to multilateral governance in the Arctic Region, by further anchoring the European presence in the Arctic Council;

Amendment

24. Considers Iceland's accession to the EU as a strategic opportunity for the EU to have a more active ***and constructive*** role and ***also*** contribute to multilateral governance in the Arctic Region, by further anchoring the European presence in the Arctic Council; ***points out that this will help tackle common environmental issues and could raise the interest of the EU towards the Arctic and its protection on a regional and international scale;***

Or. en

Amendment 48

Dominique Vlasto

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25

Draft motion for a resolution

25. Welcomes the fact that Iceland's accession to the EU would reinforce the North Atlantic dimension of the external policies of the Union;

Amendment

25. Welcomes the fact that Iceland's accession to the EU would reinforce the North Atlantic dimension of the external policies of the Union; ***considers that no enlargement of the EU should affect the historical and strategic partnerships of the EU with its neighbours;***

Or. en

Amendment 49
David-Maria Sassoli

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

26. Calls on the Commission to provide material and technical support to the Icelandic authorities, in order to help them to organize a thorough and wide campaign of information on the implications of EU membership on all the Icelandic territory so as to allow for an informed choice of the Icelandic citizens in the future referendum on accession; encourages the Icelandic authorities to initiate a wide public debate and dialogue on EU accession;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 50
Andreas Mölzer

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

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Amendment

26. Calls on the Commission to provide material and technical support to the Icelandic authorities, in order to help them to organize a thorough and wide campaign of information on the implications of EU membership on all the Icelandic territory so as to allow for an informed choice of the Icelandic citizens in the future referendum on accession; encourages the Icelandic authorities to initiate a wide public debate and dialogue on EU accession;

26. Encourages the Icelandic authorities to initiate a wide public debate and dialogue on EU accession;

Or. en

Amendment 51
Elmar Brok

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Draft motion for a resolution

26. Calls on the Commission to provide material and technical support *to* the Icelandic authorities, in order to help them to organize a thorough and wide campaign of information on the implications of EU membership on all the Icelandic territory so as to allow for an informed choice of the Icelandic citizens in the future referendum on accession; ***encourages the Icelandic authorities to initiate a wide public debate and dialogue on EU accession;***

Amendment

26. ***Encourages the Icelandic authorities to initiate a wide public debate and dialogue on EU accession in view of the recent shift in public opinion in Iceland against EU membership;*** calls on the Commission to provide material and technical support ***if requested by*** the Icelandic authorities in order to help them to organize a thorough and wide campaign of information on the implications of EU membership on all the Icelandic territory so as to allow for an informed choice of the Icelandic citizens in the future referendum on accession;

Or. en

Amendment 52
Elena Băsescu

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Draft motion for a resolution

26. Calls on the Commission to provide material and technical support to the Icelandic authorities, in order to help them to organize a thorough and wide campaign of information on the implications of EU membership on all the Icelandic territory so as to allow for an informed choice of the Icelandic citizens in the future referendum on accession; encourages the Icelandic authorities to initiate a wide public debate and dialogue on EU accession;

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Commission to take into account, during the negotiations, if Iceland is truly committed to EU membership;

Or. en

Amendment 53

Indrek Tarand, Heidi Hautala, Judith Sargentini

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 26

Draft motion for a resolution

26. Calls on the Commission to provide material and technical support to the Icelandic authorities, in order to help them to organize a thorough and wide campaign of information on the implications of EU membership on all the Icelandic territory so as to allow for an informed choice of the Icelandic citizens in the future referendum on accession; encourages the Icelandic authorities to initiate a wide public debate and dialogue on EU accession;

Amendment

26. Calls on the Commission to provide material and technical support to the Icelandic authorities, in order to help them ***step up transparency and accountability concerning the accession process and*** to organize a thorough and wide campaign of information on the implications of EU membership on all the Icelandic territory so as to allow for an informed choice of the Icelandic citizens in the future referendum on accession; encourages the Icelandic authorities to initiate a wide public debate and dialogue on EU accession;

Or. en

Amendment 54

David-Maria Sassoli

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 26 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Takes the view that countries with EU membership prospects should make every effort to explain, involve and prepare their public opinion for integration into the EU, involving civil society in this process from the outset;

calls on the Commission to assist the Icelandic authorities in organizing a thorough and wide campaign of information on the implications of EU membership;

Or. en

Amendment 55
Dominique Vlasto

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

27a. Underlines that if the enlargement of the EU is one of its objectives according to the Treaties, this must be accomplished, in each case, in respect of the interests and the will of the Member States and their people and of the future Member State and its people;

Or. en