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Amendment 1

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the sustainable development of any country **is possible only if** democratic institutions, the rule of law and fundamental freedoms, as well as a strong civil society, are ensured,

Amendment

A. whereas the sustainable development of any country **presupposes that** democratic institutions, the rule of law and fundamental freedoms, as well as a strong civil society, are ensured,

Or. en

Amendment 2

Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the sustainable development of any country is possible only if democratic institutions, the rule of law and fundamental freedoms, as well as a strong civil society, are ensured,

Amendment

A. whereas the sustainable development of any country is possible only if **protection of human rights, establishing and implementing** democratic institutions, the rule of law and fundamental freedoms, as well as a strong civil society, are ensured,

Or. en

Amendment 3

Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

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A. whereas the sustainable development of any country is possible only if democratic institutions, the rule of law and

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fundamental freedoms, as well as a strong civil society, are ensured,

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Or. en

Amendment 4
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 5
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Recital A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Aa. whereas serious deficits are found regarding democracy, human rights and rule of law and fundamental freedoms in Central Asian states,

Or. en

Amendment 6
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution
Recital A b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ab. whereas an enhanced cooperation between the EU and Central Asia is of mutual strategic interest in order to diversify and deepen the political, social and economic relations,

Or. en

**Amendment 7
Norica Nicolai**

**Motion for a resolution
Recital A b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ab. whereas the importance of fostering good relations between the European Union and the five countries of Central Asia is paramount for the mutual development of both sides,

Or. en

**Amendment 8
Norica Nicolai**

**Motion for a resolution
Recital A c (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ac. whereas Central Asia holds significant importance for the European Union in terms of trade potential and energetic security and whereas the region has been affected by the recent global financial and economic crisis,

Or. en

Amendment 9
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Recital A d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ad. whereas some Member States have strong bilateral relations with the Central Asian states, being leading sources of investment and trade and whereas the EU needs a concerted and coherent approach towards the region in order to avoid misunderstandings, doubling of tasks and most importantly, sending mixed signals,

Or. en

Amendment 10
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. whereas the *poor records of* Central Asian states in governance and regional cooperation are important *reasons* for *their bleak* political, social and economic situation and for the *limited* achievements *of* development cooperation,

B. whereas the Central Asian states *took first important steps in a long process of democratisation in which continuous and serious efforts in* governance and regional cooperation are important *conditions* for *the development of the* political, social and economic situation and for the achievements *in* development cooperation,

Or. en

Amendment 11
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas ***the poor records of*** Central Asian states in governance and regional cooperation ***are important reasons for*** their ***bleak*** political, social ***and*** economic ***situation*** and ***for the limited achievements of*** development ***cooperation,***

Amendment

B. whereas Central Asian states ***demonstrate continuing shortcomings*** in governance and regional cooperation, ***which prevent them from fully realising*** their political, social, economic and development ***potential,***

Or. en

Amendment 12

Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the ***poor*** records of Central Asian states in governance and regional cooperation are important reasons for their ***bleak*** political, social and economic situation and for the limited achievements of development cooperation,

Amendment

B. whereas the ***inadequate*** records of Central Asian states in governance and regional cooperation are important reasons for their ***bleak*** political, social and economic situation and for the limited achievements of development cooperation,

Or. fr

Amendment 13

Nadezhda Neynsky

Motion for a resolution

Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Ba. whereas SMEs are an embodiment of entrepreneurship and the free-market spirit, and are a powerful force in the establishment of democracies,

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 14
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas the EU and the countries of Central Asia share a common interest in diversifying export routes and in cooperating on energy and environmental sustainability,

Or. en

Amendment 15
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Recital C b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Cb. whereas concerns about security and stability in the region tend to privilege state security, rather than the security of populations through, inter alia respect for human rights, livelihoods, the environment property and access to public services,

Or. en

Amendment 16
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Recital C b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Cb. whereas concerns about security and stability in the region should include not only state security, but also the security of

the populations through, inter alia, respect for human rights, environment and access to basic public services,

Or. en

Amendment 17
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Recital C c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Cc. whereas several of the Central Asian states (Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan) are rich of natural resources such as gas, oil, minerals and therefore have the potential of good social and economic development; whereas all these states are facing the risk of becoming rentier states,

Or. en

Amendment 18
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Recital C d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Cd. whereas events in 2010 in Kyrgyzstan demonstrate that the denial of basic rights and opportunities, through concentration of power, corruption and lack of democracy and rule of law, can lead from situations of perceived stability to situations of insecurity,

Or. en

Amendment 19
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph -1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-1. Underlines the strong political and economic interest of the EU in strengthening its relations with Central Asian countries in all areas of cooperation, such as stability, security and sustainable development of the region, energy and transport links, common challenges and threats, including border management and combating drug trafficking, reinforcement of dialogue on human rights and rule of law, trade and economic relations;

Or. en

Amendment 20
Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph -1 (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-1. Stresses the importance of increasing bilateral and multilateral cooperation between the EU and the countries in the region with regard to crucial issues such as fighting terrorism, trafficking in drugs and human beings, and migration, both internal and external to the region;

Or. it

Amendment 21
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph -1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-1a. Underlines the importance for the EU to demonstrate clear will and commitment to pursue good relations with the states in Central Asia based on common values such as democracy, respect for human rights and rule of law;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1. Considers that the level ***and nature*** of ***the EU's*** engagement ***must be differentiated and conditional, depending on measurable*** progress in the fields of human rights, good governance, sustainable development, the rule of law and the fight against corruption, following lines similar to the principles of the EU's neighbourhood policy;

1. Considers that the ***EU needs to maintain a high*** level of engagement ***in Central Asia, tailoring its strategies to the*** progress ***of the states*** in the ***region in the*** fields of human rights, good governance, sustainable development, the rule of law and the fight against corruption, ***offering its assistance where needed to help foster this progress,*** following lines similar to the principles of the EU's neighbourhood policy;

Or. en

Amendment 23
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

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Or. en

Amendment 24 **Eduard Kukan**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 1**

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Or. en

Amendment 25 **Tunne Kelam**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 1 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1a. Underlines the need to explain and promote the EU concept of security and stability in case it differs from theirs; Stresses that the EU is duty-bound to be critical of governments that violate the

fundamental rights of their citizens in the name of national security, and to point out to them that such actions often lead to extremism and radicalisation;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Acknowledges the importance of the EU Special Representative's continuous work in the field in ensuring a high level of political dialogue with the Central Asian states; *calls* for political dialogue to be based on an assessment of compliance by Central Asian states with their commitments as OSCE members;

Amendment

2. Acknowledges the importance of the EU Special Representative's continuous work in the field in ensuring a high level of political dialogue with the Central Asian states; *recalls that his mandate also provides for engagement with local civil society and that this is necessary for increased EU visibility calls for* political dialogue to be based on an assessment of compliance by Central Asian states with their commitments as OSCE members;

Or. en

Amendment 27
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

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Or. en

Amendment 28

David Martin

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

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Or. en

Amendment 29

Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2a. Considers that the revision of the Central Asia Strategy needs to take into account the need to back its objectives with sufficient financial resources and to establish adequate distribution patterns that reflect on the realities of every country in the region; considers that given the financial restraints, a focus should be given to those medium and

long-term programs that can make the biggest impact on the development of the region, notably youth and education, technical assistance on economic development and promotion of small and medium sized businesses, as well as water security and combating drug trafficking;

Or. en

Amendment 30

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Welcomes the existence of regular human rights dialogues with all five countries, *even though overall progress on the ground has been scarce and in some instances regression can be observed; considers that the existence of human rights dialogues should not be used as an excuse for excluding human-rights-related questions arising in other fields of cooperation or for not* engaging in further actions; calls for the systematic involvement of NGOs and civil-society actors in the preparation of these dialogues and for the outcome of these dialogues to be made public so as to allow for an assessment of their effectiveness and of the commitment of the parties;

Amendment

3. Welcomes the existence of regular *and frank* human rights dialogues with all five countries as *a basis* for engaging in further actions; calls for the systematic involvement of NGOs and civil-society actors in the preparation of these dialogues and for the outcome of these dialogues to be made public so as to allow for an assessment of their effectiveness and of the commitment of the parties;

Or. en

Amendment 31

Andreas Mölzer

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

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Or. de

Amendment 32
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

3. **Stresses** the **continuous need for** regular human rights dialogues with all five countries, **regrets that the** overall progress on the ground has been scarce and in some instances regression can be observed; considers that the existence of human rights dialogues should not be used as an excuse for excluding human-rights-related questions arising in other fields of cooperation or for not engaging in further actions; calls for the systematic involvement of NGOs and civil-society actors in the preparation of these dialogues and for the outcome of these dialogues to be made public so as to allow for an

assessment of their effectiveness and of the commitment of the parties;

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Or. en

Amendment 33
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3a. Considers that limited resources and the region's many needs require the EU to rigorously target and prioritize its assistance, also taking into consideration the effects of deep-seated corruption and insufficient administrative expertise on the effectiveness of its aid; Calls for steady levels of agreed development aid with greater flexibility in allocation and supports an emphasis on aid to be delivered to Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan that have the largest needs in this respect;

Or. en

Amendment 34
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. ***Supports*** the opening of fully-fledged EU delegations in all the countries of Central Asia as a means of increasing the presence and visibility of the EU in the region and long-term cooperation and engagement with all sectors of society and fostering progress towards better understanding and the emergence of the rule of law and respect for human rights;

4. ***Strongly supports*** the ***immediate*** opening of fully-fledged EU delegations in all the countries of Central Asia as a means of increasing the presence and visibility of the EU in the region and long-term cooperation and engagement with all sectors of society and fostering progress towards better understanding and the emergence of the rule of law and respect

for human rights;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Supports the opening of **fully-fledged EU** delegations in **all** the countries of Central Asia as a means of increasing the presence and visibility of the EU in the region and long-term cooperation and engagement with all sectors of society and fostering progress towards better understanding and the emergence of the rule of law and respect for human rights;

Amendment

4. Supports the opening of delegations in the countries of Central Asia **where the EU is not represented** as a means of increasing the presence and visibility of the EU in the region and long-term cooperation and engagement with all sectors of society and fostering progress towards better understanding and the emergence of the rule of law and respect for human rights;

Or. it

Amendment 36
Andreas Mölzer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Supports the **opening** of fully-fledged EU delegations in **all the** countries of Central Asia as a means of increasing the presence and visibility of the EU in the region and long-term cooperation **and engagement with all sectors of society** and fostering progress towards better understanding and the emergence of the rule of law and respect for human rights;

Amendment

4. Supports the **continuation** of fully-fledged EU delegations in **strategically important** countries of Central Asia as a means of increasing the presence and visibility of the EU in the region and long-term cooperation and fostering progress towards better understanding and the emergence of the rule of law and respect for human rights;

Or. de

Amendment 37
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Supports the opening of fully-fledged EU delegations in all the countries of Central Asia as a means of increasing the presence and visibility of the EU in the region and long-term cooperation and engagement with all sectors of society and fostering progress towards better understanding and the emergence of the rule of law and respect for human rights;

Amendment

4. Supports the opening of fully-fledged EU delegations in all the countries of Central Asia as a **vital** means of increasing the presence and visibility of the EU in the region and long-term cooperation and engagement with all sectors of society and fostering progress towards better understanding and the emergence of the rule of law and respect for human rights; **notes with concern that failure to open delegations contradicts the objectives of the strategy and EU interests in the region;**

Or. en

Amendment 38
Nadezhda Neynsky

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Supports the opening of fully-fledged EU delegations in all the countries of Central Asia as a means of increasing the presence and visibility of the EU in the region and long-term cooperation and engagement with all sectors of society and fostering progress towards better understanding and the emergence of the rule of law and respect for human rights;

Amendment

4. Supports the opening of fully-fledged EU delegations in all the countries of Central Asia as a means of increasing the presence and visibility of the EU in the region and long-term cooperation and engagement with all sectors of society and fostering progress towards better understanding and the emergence of the rule of law and respect for human rights; **insists on proper staffing of these missions in order to achieve maximum results and provide effective assistance;**

Or. en

Amendment 39
Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. *Deplores* the difficulty encountered by the EU in engaging with independent civil society in the area of human rights and good governance ***in the context of the continued harassment of NGOs in the region***; calls for support for genuinely independent NGOs so as to help them play an effective role in the development and consolidation of civil society;

Amendment

5. *Notes* the difficulty encountered by the EU ***in some countries in the region*** in engaging with independent civil society in the area of human rights and good governance; calls for support for genuinely independent NGOs so as to help them play an effective role in the development and consolidation of civil society;

Or. it

Amendment 40
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. *Deplores* the ***difficulty*** encountered by the EU in engaging with independent civil society in the ***area*** of human rights and good governance in the context of the continued harassment of NGOs in the region; calls for support for genuinely independent NGOs so as to help them play an effective role in the development and consolidation of civil society;

Amendment

5. *Takes note of* the ***difficulties*** encountered by the EU in engaging with independent civil society in the ***areas*** of human rights and good governance in the context of the continued harassment of NGOs in the region; calls for support for genuinely independent NGOs so as to help them play an effective role in the development and consolidation of civil society;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

5. **Notes with concern** the difficulty encountered by the EU in engaging with independent civil society in the area of human rights and good governance, **deploring** the continued harassment of NGOs in the region; calls **to redouble efforts directed at independent civil society NGOs; considers that the continued promotion by the EU of programmes targeted at the Central Asian countries is an important trans-border tool for fostering understanding and cooperation between the states of the region**;

Or. en

Amendment 42
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

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5. Deplores the difficulty encountered by the EU in engaging with independent civil society in the area of human rights and good governance in the context of the continued harassment of NGOs in the region; calls for **EU delegations and embassies to** support genuinely independent NGOs so as to help them play an effective role in the development and consolidation of civil society;

Or. en

Amendment 43
David Martin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 44
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

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5. Deplores the difficulty encountered by the EU in engaging with independent civil society in the area of human rights and good governance in the context of the continued harassment of NGOs in the region; calls for ***greater transparency in the allocation of EU development cooperation funding and its recipients, and the inclusion to the greatest extent possible of*** genuinely independent ***non-governmental partners in the implementation of EU programming*** so as to help them play an effective role in the development and consolidation of civil society;

Or. en

Amendment 45
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 46
Nadezhda Neynsky

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment 47
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 b (new)

Amendment

5a. Stresses the importance of freely operating opposition parties in the region and urges the governments of all the countries of Central Asia to guarantee political freedom;

Or. en

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5b. Underlines that including Afghanistan structurally in sectoral cooperation, especially regarding security/border management, human security and water management is crucial to guarantee stability and security in the region;

Or. en

Amendment 48
Evgeni Kirilov

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5c. Notes that the EU work on education and human rights should be complemented by actions and programmes focused on youth as the most vulnerable part of these societies; in this regard calls for an increased EU support to the youth initiatives in the region and particularly to those relevant actions that can reduce the growing radicalisation and promote tolerance among the youth in these countries;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Andreas Mölzer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6. Approves the holding of ***regular*** regional EU-Central Asia summits and calls for an EU-Central Asia parliamentary

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Or. de

Amendment 50

Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

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6. Approves the holding of regular regional EU-Central Asia summits and calls for *consideration to be given to the possible future establishment of* an EU-Central Asia parliamentary forum as a means of assessing and contributing to the contents of the summit talks; underlines the importance of the regular bilateral parliamentary cooperation in the framework of the existing Parliamentary Cooperation Committees and interparliamentary meetings with the Central Asian countries;

Or. it

Amendment 51

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

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Or. en

Amendment 52
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Approves the holding of regular regional EU-Central Asia summits and calls for an EU-Central Asia parliamentary forum to be established as a means of assessing and contributing to the contents of the summit talks; underlines the importance of the regular bilateral parliamentary cooperation in the framework of the existing Parliamentary Cooperation Committees and interparliamentary meetings with the Central Asian countries;

Amendment

6. Approves the holding of regular regional EU-Central Asia summits and calls for an EU-Central Asia parliamentary forum to be established as a means of assessing and contributing to the contents of the summit talks; underlines the importance of the regular bilateral parliamentary cooperation in the framework of the existing Parliamentary Cooperation Committees and interparliamentary meetings with the Central Asian countries; ***stresses the importance of the European Parliament's more active engagement in the monitoring of the negotiations of partnership agreements with the Central Asian countries and the implementation of the existing ones;***

Or. en

Amendment 53
Nadezhda Neynsky

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6a. Calls on the European Union to continue supporting public sector reform in the countries of Central Asia through adequate technical and financial assistance in order to achieve stable, reformed and modernised administrative structures in all the countries concerned;

Or. en

Amendment 54
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Human security, good governance, human rights and ***democratisation***

Democratisation, human rights and ***rule of law***

Or. en

Amendment 55
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7. Regrets that, although some positive developments have taken place in the region (***abolition of*** the death penalty ***in Uzbekistan,*** some constitutional and

7. Welcomes the positive developments ***which*** have taken place in the region (***efforts to abolish*** the death penalty, ***establishment of ombudsmen,*** some

judicial procedure reforms, etc.), the overall situation in the fields of human rights and the rule of law **remains worrying**;

constitutional and judicial procedure reforms, etc.), **encourages the Central Asian states to keep improving the** overall situation **especially** in the fields of human rights and the rule of law;

Or. en

Amendment 56
Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. **Regrets** that, although some positive developments have taken place in the region (abolition of the death penalty in Uzbekistan, some constitutional and judicial procedure reforms, etc.), the overall situation in the fields of human rights and the rule of law remains **worrying**;

Amendment

7. **Considers** that, although some positive developments have taken place in the region (abolition of the death penalty in Uzbekistan, some constitutional and judicial procedure reforms, etc.), the overall situation in the fields of human rights and the rule of law remains **unsatisfactory**;

Or. it

Amendment 57
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that, although some positive developments have taken place in the region (***abolition of the death penalty in Uzbekistan, some constitutional and judicial procedure reforms, etc.***), the overall situation in the fields of human rights and the rule of law remains worrying;

Amendment

7. Regrets that, although some positive developments have taken place in the region, the overall situation in the fields of human rights and the rule of law remains worrying;

Or. en

Amendment 58
David Martin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that, although some positive developments have taken place in the region (***abolition of the death penalty in Uzbekistan, some constitutional and judicial procedure reforms, etc.***), the overall situation in the fields of human rights and the rule of law remains worrying;

Amendment

7. Regrets that, although some positive developments have taken place in the region, the overall situation in the fields of human rights and the rule of law remains worrying;

Or. en

Amendment 59
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that, although some positive developments ***have taken place in the region (abolition of the death penalty in Uzbekistan, some constitutional and judicial procedure reforms, etc.)***, the overall situation in the fields of human rights and ***the rule of law remains worrying***;

Amendment

7. Regrets that although some ***limited*** positive developments, ***including certain modifications of constitutional and judicial procedures, have occurred in the region, these have tended to be outweighed by further restrictions on fundamental freedoms, new arrests and imprisonments of human rights defenders, civil society activists, journalists and religious practitioners and other negative developments***;

Or. en

Amendment 60
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that, although some positive developments have taken place in the region (abolition of the death penalty in Uzbekistan, some constitutional and judicial procedure reforms, etc.), the overall situation in the fields of human rights and the rule of law remains *worrying*;

Amendment

7. Regrets that, although some positive developments have taken place in the region (abolition of the death penalty in Uzbekistan, *freeing of prisoners in Turkmenistan*, some constitutional and judicial procedure reforms, etc.), the overall situation in the fields of human rights and the rule of law remains *troubling despite the new institutions set up and constitutional or legal changes designed to improve it*;

Or. en

Amendment 61
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Regrets that, although some positive developments have taken place in the region (abolition of the death penalty in Uzbekistan, some constitutional and judicial procedure reforms, etc.), the overall situation in the fields of human rights and the rule of law remains worrying;

Amendment

7. Regrets that, although some *limited* positive developments have taken place in the region (abolition of the death penalty in Uzbekistan, some constitutional and judicial procedure reforms, etc.), the overall situation in the fields of human rights and the rule of law remains worrying;

Or. en

Amendment 62
Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls for a strengthening of the human rights dialogues in order to make them more effective and result-oriented; urges the Council and the European External Action Service (EEAS) to **issue benchmarks for** the progress made by the states of the region in the field of human rights and the rule of law, and **of** the effectiveness of EU measures and assistance projects towards this aim;

Amendment

8. Calls for a strengthening of the human rights dialogues in order to make them more effective and result-oriented; urges the Council and the European External Action Service (EEAS) to **take account of** the progress made by the states of the region in the field of human rights and the rule of law, and **to assess** the effectiveness of EU measures and assistance projects towards this aim;

Or. it

Amendment 63

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls for a strengthening of the human rights dialogues in order to make them more effective and result-oriented; urges the Council and the European External Action Service (EEAS) to **issue benchmarks for** the progress made by the states of the region in the field of human rights **and the** rule of law, and of the effectiveness of EU **measures and** assistance projects towards this aim;

Amendment

8. Calls for a strengthening of the human rights dialogues in order to make them more effective and result-oriented; **calls in this regard for a broad involvement of the European Parliament in monitoring these dialogues;** urges the Council and the European External Action Service (EEAS) to **develop benchmarks in cooperation with the European Parliament on the** progress made by the states of the region in the field of human rights, rule of law, and of the effectiveness of EU assistance projects towards this aim;

Or. en

Amendment 64

Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls for a strengthening of the human rights dialogues in order to make them more effective and result-oriented; urges the Council and the European External Action Service (EEAS) to issue benchmarks for the progress made by the states of the region in the field of human rights and the rule of law, and of the effectiveness of EU measures and assistance projects towards this aim;

Amendment

8. Calls for a strengthening of the human rights dialogues in order to make them more effective and result-oriented, ***with a more active engagement of the European Parliament in monitoring them***; urges the Council and the European External Action Service (EEAS) to issue benchmarks for the progress made by the states of the region in the field of human rights and the rule of law, and of the effectiveness of EU measures and assistance projects towards this aim;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Calls for a strengthening of the human rights dialogues in order to make them more effective and result-oriented; urges the Council and the European External Action Service (EEAS) to issue benchmarks for the progress made by the states of the region in the field of human rights and the rule of law, and of the effectiveness of EU measures and assistance projects towards this aim;

Amendment

8. Calls for a strengthening of the human rights dialogues in order to make them more effective and result-oriented; urges the Council and the European External Action Service (EEAS) to ***assess impact of the previous dialogues and*** issue benchmarks for the progress made by the states of the region in the field of human rights and the rule of law, and of the effectiveness of EU measures and assistance projects towards this aim;

Or. en

Amendment 66
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

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Motion for a resolution

9. Is concerned about the continued use of torture and the severe restriction of the media and of freedom of expression, assembly and association; urges the EU and its HR/VP to raise publicly the cases of political prisoners, imprisoned human rights defenders and journalists and call for their immediate release;

Amendment

9. Is **seriously** concerned about the continued use of torture and the severe restriction of the media and of freedom of expression, assembly and association; urges the EU and its HR/VP to raise publicly the cases of political prisoners, imprisoned human rights defenders and journalists and call for their immediate release;

Or. en

Amendment 67

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. **Is concerned about the continued** use of torture and the severe restriction of the media and of freedom of expression, assembly and association; urges the EU and its HR/VP to raise publicly the cases of political prisoners, imprisoned human rights defenders and journalists and call for their immediate release;

Amendment

9. **Condemns any** use of torture and the severe restriction of the media and of freedom of expression, assembly and association; urges the EU and its HR/VP to raise publicly the cases of political prisoners, imprisoned human rights defenders and journalists and call for their immediate release;

Or. en

Amendment 68

Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Is concerned about the continued use of torture and the severe restriction of the media and of freedom of expression,

Amendment

9. Is concerned about the continued use of torture and the severe restriction of the media and of freedom of expression,

assembly and association; urges the EU and its HR/VP to ***raise publicly the cases of political prisoners, imprisoned human rights defenders and journalists and call for their immediate release;***

assembly and association; urges the EU and its HR/VP to ***monitor respect for human rights and make their views known where such abuses occur;***

Or. it

Amendment 69

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Underlines that education is the foundation for a democratic development of the society; calls therefore for an intensification of the Education Initiative and namely the international academic exchange of students as well as teachers;

Or. en

Amendment 70

Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9b. Underlines its continued concern over the child labour situation, a labour that in different ways and degrees is still abused in almost all the Central Asia countries; urges these countries to implement in practice their international commitments, more in particular under the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, the ILO Minimum Age Convention and the ILO Convention on the Worst Forms of Child Labour;

Amendment 71
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

9c. Highly appreciates the work of political foundations providing practical cooperation in the democratisation process through a long-term presence on the ground;

Or. en

Amendment 72
Andreas Mölzer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Regards the Rule of Law Initiative as a **key** component of cooperation with the states of Central Asia, and approves of the exemplary interaction between the EU and its Member States in implementing assistance projects; expects the Rule of Law Platform project to include clear objectives and a transparent assessment of its implementation and results while avoiding any reinforcement of the repressive components of security forces;

10. Regards the Rule of Law Initiative as a component of cooperation with the states of Central Asia, and approves of the exemplary interaction between the EU and its Member States in implementing assistance projects **and investment, which should be tied in with the EU's energy and security-policy objectives**; expects the Rule of Law Platform project to include clear objectives and a transparent assessment of its implementation and results while avoiding any reinforcement of the repressive components of security forces;

Or. de

Amendment 73
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Regards the Rule of Law Initiative as a key component of cooperation with the states of Central Asia, and approves of the exemplary interaction between the EU and its Member States in implementing assistance projects; expects the Rule of Law Platform project to include clear objectives and a transparent assessment of its implementation and results while avoiding any reinforcement of the repressive components of security forces;

Amendment

10. Regards the Rule of Law Initiative as a key component of cooperation with the states of Central Asia, and approves of the exemplary interaction between the EU and its Member States in implementing assistance projects; ***notes that there has been little interaction between the projects and local civil society and that greater interactions with civil society, parliamentarians, improving access to information about the initiative by local civil society actors would enhance the visibility, transparency and accountability of its activities in line with the EU's broader objectives for improving the Central Asia Strategy outlined in Joint Progress report***; expects the Rule of Law Platform project to include clear objectives and a transparent assessment of its implementation and results while avoiding any reinforcement of the repressive components of security forces; ***stresses that genuine and diligent implementation of the Initiative must be one of the key criteria in allocation of aid and budgetary support***;

Or. en

Amendment 74
David Martin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Regards the Rule of Law Initiative as a

Amendment

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key component of cooperation with the states of Central Asia, and approves of the exemplary interaction between the EU and its Member States in implementing assistance projects; ***notes that there has been little interaction between the project and local civil society and that greater interactions with civil society, parliamentarians, improving access to information about the initiative by local civil society actors would enhance the visibility, transparency and accountability of its activities in line with the EU's broader objectives for improving the Central Asia Strategy outlined in the Joint Progress report***; expects the Rule of Law Platform project to include clear objectives and a transparent assessment of its implementation and results while avoiding any reinforcement of the repressive components of security forces;

Or. en

Amendment 75
Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Regards the Rule of Law Initiative as a key component of cooperation with the states of Central Asia, and approves of the exemplary interaction between the EU and its Member States in implementing assistance projects; expects the Rule of Law Platform project to include clear objectives ***and a*** transparent assessment of its implementation and results while avoiding any reinforcement of the repressive components of security forces;

Amendment

10. Regards the Rule of Law Initiative as a key component of cooperation with the states of Central Asia, and approves of the exemplary interaction between the EU and its Member States in implementing assistance projects; expects the Rule of Law Platform project to include clear objectives, ***underlines the need for*** transparent assessment of its implementation and results while avoiding any reinforcement of the repressive components of security forces;

Or. en

Amendment 76
Pino Arlacchi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Welcomes the current implementation of the Central Asian Nuclear Weapons Free Zone by the five Central Asian Republics; the Treaty contains a binding commitment to nuclear disarmament by countries that previously hosted nuclear weapons on their territory and have neighbours with nuclear weapons; the same Treaty is a significant contribution to the efforts for a world free from nuclear weapons and a powerful example of non-proliferation cooperation;

Or. en

Amendment 77
Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10b. Calls for promotion of the development of education programmes to foster international cultural contacts and exchanges;

Or. it

Amendment 78
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Nadezhda Neynsky

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10, subheading 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Economic integration and sustainable growth

Or. en

Amendment 79
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10, subheading 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Economic integration and sustainable development

Or. en

Amendment 80
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10c. Emphasises that democratic and economic progress is interconnected; calls in this regard to improve the environment for foreign investment and for private entrepreneurship, while respecting international social, labour and environmental standards;

Or. en

Amendment 81
Elisabeth Jeggle, Nadezhda Neynsky, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10c. Emphasises that democratic and economic progress is interconnected; reaffirms its support for the economic diversification of the countries of Central Asia as a way to achieve economic development and a steady GDP growth; in this regard, calls on the governments of the countries of Central Asia to develop, implement and monitor policies that facilitate foreign investments, foster innovation and improve the environment for true private entrepreneurship, including microcredits especially for projects of independent women;

Or. en

Amendment 82
Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10c. Stresses that, with a view to the economic development of the countries of central Asia, investment – particularly foreign direct investment – will have to play a very important role; notes, however, that such investment requires a background of political stability and a secure and stable legal framework, creating a climate favourable to it;

Or. it

Amendment 83
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10d. Welcomes the involvement of women in political, economic, educational, social and cultural spheres of the Central Asian countries; calls on the governments of the region to promote legislation and enforce laws to fight domestic abuse, sexual exploitation, human trafficking and other forms of abuse and discrimination against women;

Or. en

Amendment 84
Elisabeth Jeggle, Nadezhda Neynsky, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10e. Stresses the need for the governments of the countries of Central Asia to promote and support the proliferation of SMEs and calls on the EU to facilitate cooperation between SMEs from the EU and SMEs from Central Asia;

Or. en

Amendment 85
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

10f. Supports a stronger integration in the world economy by the Central Asian countries, in particular through

*international cooperation with and
accession to WTO;*

Or. en

Amendment 86
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

*10g. Underlines that international
economic integration and regional
economic cooperation are complementary
approaches and should therefore be
followed effectively in Central Asia;*

Or. en

Amendment 87
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 3

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Energy, water and the environment

Water and the environment

Or. en

Amendment 88
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11. *Regards* it as of the utmost importance
that energy cooperation projects include

11. *Highlights the importance of the
diversification of energy supply for the*

long-term supply agreements, enshrining the principles of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative;

EU and of export markets for Central Asia; regards it as of the utmost importance that energy cooperation projects include long-term supply agreements, enshrining the principles of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative;

Or. en

Amendment 89
Andreas Mölzer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Regards it as of the utmost importance that energy cooperation projects include long-term supply agreements, enshrining the principles of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative;

Amendment

11. Regards it as of the utmost importance that energy cooperation projects include long-term supply agreements, enshrining the principles of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative; ***stresses that it is important for the EU to establish itself as a serious purchaser of energy alongside China and Russia;***

Or. de

Amendment 90
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Regards it as of the utmost importance that energy cooperation projects include long-term supply agreements, enshrining the principles of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative;

Amendment

11. Regards it as of the utmost importance that energy cooperation projects include long-term supply agreements, enshrining the principles of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative; ***calls for the promotion of EITI and other such initiatives by the EU in all the states of the region that have significant extractive***

resources;

Or. en

Amendment 91
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Regards it as of the utmost importance that energy cooperation projects include long-term supply agreements, enshrining the principles of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative;

Amendment

11. Regards it as of the utmost importance that energy cooperation projects include long-term supply agreements, enshrining the principles of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative; ***considers that where such principles are not implemented the EU should desist from activities and investments which might exacerbate existing rule of law, governance and human rights problems;***

Or. en

Amendment 92
David Martin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Regards it as of the utmost importance that energy cooperation projects include long-term supply agreements, enshrining the principles of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative;

Amendment

11. Regards it as of the utmost importance that energy cooperation projects include long-term supply agreements, enshrining the principles of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative; ***considers that where such principles are not implemented, as in the case of Turkmenistan, the EU should desist from activities and investments which might exacerbate existing rule of law, governance and human rights problems;***

Amendment 93
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Trade and energy

Amendment 94
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Stresses the importance of energy in the relations with Central Asian countries, as a major source of revenue for the states, as well as a potential source of energy security for the EU; welcomes the signing of memorandums of understanding with Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan, as well as the steps taken in the development of the Southern Corridor, notably in the shape of the Nabucco Project; calls on the EEAS and the Commission to continue supporting energy projects, as well as fostering communication towards important goals such as the Trans-Caspian route; welcomes the participation of all the Central Asian countries in the Baku Initiative;

Amendment 95
Krzysztof Lisek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11a. Recognises the importance of the energy cooperation with Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan as it is beneficial for both the aforementioned states and European Union Member States;

Or. en

Amendment 96
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11b. Given the increasing electricity shortages in Central Asia, highlights the opportunities for regional synergy, including in the promising renewable energy sector; calls on the EU to provide political support and technical assistance for initiatives in this field;

Or. en

Amendment 97
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11c. Notes with concern the adverse effect had in Central Asia by the global financial crisis and the increasing levels

of poverty; considers that the path towards a healthy social and political life is tied to economic prosperity and that the EU needs to address the development of Central Asia economies as a major part of its strategy for the region; calls for enhanced support for poverty alleviation programs and notes the importance of EIB investment;

Or. en

Amendment 98
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11d. Underlines the unbalanced nature of some of the Central Asian economies, which overly rely on natural resources and considers that diversification is a major goal for the medium and long term in the region; notes in this area the importance of the Central Asia Invest programme and calls for it to be applied in all the five countries;

Or. en

Amendment 99
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11e. Is of the opinion that ensuring coherent and comprehensive reinvestment of the national revenues from natural resources is crucial for sustainable development and achieving wide-ranging

social and economic development;

Or. en

Amendment 100

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Takes the view that reform of the agriculture sector is of the utmost importance with regard, in particular, to diversifying production, reducing dependence on the cultivation of cotton rather than other crops *and* introducing advanced practices and techniques of water management, water conservation and irrigation;

Amendment

12. Takes the view that reform of the agriculture sector is of the utmost importance with regard, in particular, to ***achieving food security***, diversifying production, ***ensuring sustainable management of seeds and*** reducing dependence on the cultivation of cotton rather than other crops; ***underlines furthermore the need of*** introducing advanced practices and techniques of water management, water conservation and irrigation ***in order to achieve these goals; calls on the Central Asian Governments to assume leadership in this approach;***

Or. en

Amendment 101

Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Stresses that water issues in the region remain one of the main sources of tension and potential conflict; calls in this regard on all countries of the region to sign and ratify without further delay the Espoo and Århus Conventions and to foster involvement of local actors in decision-making;

Amendment

13. Stresses that water issues in the region remain one of the main sources of tension and potential conflict ***and underlines the importance of a regional approach to protect and properly manage shared water resources;*** calls in this regard on all countries of the region to sign and ratify without further delay the Espoo and Århus

Conventions and to foster involvement of local actors in decision-making;

Or. en

Amendment 102
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Stresses that water issues in the region remain one of the main sources of tension and potential conflict; calls in this regard on **all** countries of the region to sign and ratify without further delay the Espoo and Århus Conventions and to foster involvement of local actors in decision-making;

Amendment

13. Stresses that water issues in the region remain one of the main sources of tension and potential conflict; calls in this regard on **the** countries of the region **that haven't yet done so** to sign and ratify without further delay the Espoo and Århus Conventions and to foster involvement of local actors in decision-making;

Or. en

Amendment 103
Andreas Mölzer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. **Welcomes** the increased engagement of the European development banks in the region, and especially, the extension of the mandate of the EIB to Central Asia focusing on environmental and water issues;

Amendment

15. **Notes** the increased engagement of the European development banks in the region, and especially, the extension of the mandate of the EIB to Central Asia focusing on environmental and water issues;

Or. de

Amendment 104
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Welcomes the increased engagement of the European development banks in the region, and especially, the extension of the mandate of the EIB to Central Asia focusing on environmental and water issues;

Amendment

15. Welcomes the increased engagement of the European development banks in the region, and especially, the extension of the mandate of the EIB to Central Asia focusing on environmental and water issues, ***but emphasises the need for any disbursement of funds to be carefully controlled and monitored; urges the development banks to uphold principles established by EBRD in desisting from support to state-owned enterprises in countries where there are systematic human rights violations;***

Or. en

Amendment 105
David Martin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Welcomes the increased engagement of the European development banks in the region, and especially, the extension of the mandate of the EIB to Central Asia focusing on environmental and water issues;

Amendment

15. Welcomes the increased engagement of the European development banks in the region, and especially, the extension of the mandate of the EIB to Central Asia focusing on environmental and water issues; ***urges the development banks to uphold principles established by EBRD in desisting from support to state-owned enterprises in countries where there are systematic human rights violations;***

Or. en

Amendment 106
Andreas Mölzer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Considers that its expertise in managing transnational water resources and its existing involvement in bilateral cooperation with a view to integrated national water management plans and multilateral cooperation in the regional Water Governance project and the International Fund for the Aral Sea create an opportunity for the EU to profile itself as a mediator and a facilitator in the sharing of water resources between upstream and downstream states (including Northern Afghanistan), ***a role that no other international actor is willing or able to fulfil despite calls by the countries concerned;***

Amendment

16. Considers that its expertise in managing transnational water resources and its existing involvement in bilateral cooperation with a view to integrated national water management plans and multilateral cooperation in the regional Water Governance project and the International Fund for the Aral Sea create an opportunity for the EU to profile itself ***inter alia*** as a mediator and a facilitator in the sharing of water resources between upstream and downstream states (including Northern Afghanistan);

Or. de

Amendment 107
David Martin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

16a. Recognises that the denial of basic rights and opportunities, through lack of democracy and rule of law, can lead to situations of insecurity;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 108
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 4

Motion for a resolution

Security/border management

Amendment

Security/border management, *people-to-people contacts*

Or. en

Amendment 109

Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as *the only* way to address the many cross-border security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems of the states concerned;

Amendment

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as *a major* way to address the many cross-border security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems of the states concerned; *believes that regional cooperation should take precedence over other trade and economic unions;*

Or. en

Amendment 110

David Martin

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as *the only* way to address the many cross-border security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems of the states concerned;

Amendment

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as *a major* way to address the many cross-border security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems of the states concerned;

Or. en

Amendment 111
Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as the **only** way to address the many cross-border security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems of the states concerned;

Amendment

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as the **main** way to address the many cross-border security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems of the states concerned;

Or. it

Amendment 112
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as the only way to address the many cross-border security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems **of** the states concerned;

Amendment

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as the only way to address the many cross-border security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems **as well as violent religious extremism within** the states concerned;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Krzysztof Lisek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as the only way to address the many cross-border security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems of the states concerned;

Amendment

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as the only way to address the many cross-border security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems of the states concerned ***also the cooperation regarding the fight with the terrorism shall be strengthen;***

Or. en

Amendment 114
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as the only way to address the many cross-border security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems of the states concerned;

Amendment

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as the only way to address the many cross-border security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems of the states concerned; ***supports continuation and deepening of the BOMCA border management and CADAP drug action programmes;***

Or. en

Amendment 115
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as the only way to address the many cross-border

Amendment

17. Reaffirms its support for actions aimed at fostering regional cooperation as the only way to address the many cross-border

security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems of the states concerned;

security, resource management, ethnic, environmental and development problems of the states concerned; ***considers that the continuation of the Border Management Programme is a very important tool of assistance;***

Or. en

Amendment 116
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Stresses that regional security is in the interest of both the EU and the other actors in the area, namely the Russian Federation, China and the US that are all concerned about growing instability and radicalisation in the region as well as porous frontiers with Afghanistan and the relevant drugs-trafficking;

Or. en

Amendment 117
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18. Takes note of the accession of Kazakhstan to the customs union with Russia and Belarus and hopes that the development of this entity will be conducted in an inclusive manner towards those Central Asian states that are not part of it;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 118
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Takes note of the accession of Kazakhstan to the customs union with Russia and Belarus and hopes that the development of this entity will **be conducted in an inclusive manner towards those Central Asian states that are not part of it**;

Amendment

18. Takes note of the accession of Kazakhstan to the customs union with Russia and Belarus and hopes that the development of this entity will not **create obstacles to regional cooperation and will not hamper the stepping up of bilateral relations with the EU**;

Or. en

Amendment 119
Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Takes note of the accession of Kazakhstan to the customs union with Russia and Belarus and hopes that the development of this entity will be conducted in an inclusive manner towards those Central Asian states that are not part of it;

Amendment

18. Takes note of the accession of Kazakhstan to the customs union with Russia and Belarus and hopes that the development of this entity will be conducted in an inclusive manner towards those Central Asian states that are not part of it **and in cooperation with these countries' trading partners**;

Or. fr

Amendment 120
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. ***Calls for the inclusion of cross-border cooperation with*** Afghanistan, in particular with ***its border provinces, in*** transport, energy, trade and development actions and programmes;

Amendment

19. ***Stresses the need for coherence between the EU's approach to*** Afghanistan ***and the Central Asia Strategy, in*** particular ***in relation*** with transport, energy, trade and development actions and programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 121

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls for the ***inclusion*** of cross-border cooperation with Afghanistan, in particular with its border provinces, in transport, energy, trade and development actions and programmes;

Amendment

19. Calls for the ***intensification*** of cross-border cooperation with Afghanistan, in particular with its border provinces, in transport, energy, trade and development actions and programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 122

Andreas Mölzer

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls for the inclusion of cross-border cooperation with Afghanistan, in particular with its border provinces, in transport, energy, trade and development actions and programmes;

Amendment

19. Calls for the inclusion of cross-border cooperation with Afghanistan, in particular with its border provinces, ***so that control and surveillance of drug trafficking routes starting in Afghanistan can be improved, as well as*** transport, energy, trade and development actions and programmes, ***taking account of the warlike conditions in the country;***

Amendment 123
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Calls for the inclusion of cross-border cooperation with Afghanistan, in particular with its border provinces, in transport, energy, trade and development actions and programmes;

Amendment

19. Calls for the inclusion of cross-border cooperation with Afghanistan, in particular with its border provinces, in transport, energy, trade, **education** and development actions and programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 124
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19a. Calls on the EU to focus its assistance on combating drug and human trafficking, issues that represent the main source of instability in Central Asia which can be targeted by EU efforts; notes with concern the development of this issue in all the region and calls for trans-border efforts to be suggested and promoted by the EU; supports the organisation of Central Asian fora for combating narco-crime;

Or. en

Amendment 125
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19b. Is concerned at the dual issue of rising fundamentalist views and movements as a spill-over effect from Afghanistan but also as an reaction to the problematic human rights and democratic record of the governments in the region; notes that the fight against terrorism is an important element for the EU's Central Asia strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 126
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19c. Calls for placing support to Security Sector Reform (SSR) in Central Asian countries on the political agendas of meetings with Central Asian leaders and urges investigating areas of Security Sector Reform that could be supported in the region next to existing work on rule of law and border management;

Or. en

Amendment 127
Nadezhda Neynsky

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19d. Stresses the need for the OSCE and

UN missions to operate freely in the territories of the countries concerned, because these organizations are crucial for the provision of the much necessary assistance in security-sector reform;

Or. en

Amendment 128
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19e. Deplores that an agreement over the status of the Caspian Sea has yet to be found and considers that the EU should be consistent in promoting that the Central Asian countries bordering the sea, Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan, take an active and open part in the negotiations;

Or. en

Amendment 129
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19f. Calls on the EU to continue supporting people-to-people contacts and exchange actions with regard to science, business and education; in this regards, notes shortcomings in the organisation and implementation of the EU-Central Asia Education Initiative and urges the EU Commission to address them in close cooperation with education specialists and the Central Asia partners,

Amendment 130
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Kazakhstan

deleted

Amendment 131
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20. Calls on the HR/VP to keep up the pressure on the Kazakh authorities to fulfil the promises to improve elections and media freedom which they announced in the run-up to their 2010 OSCE chairmanship, in accordance with the core commitments of OSCE member states and with the National Plan for Human Rights adopted in 2009 by the Kazakh Government;

deleted

Amendment 132
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Calls on the HR/VP to keep up the pressure on the Kazakh authorities to fulfil the promises to improve elections and media freedom which they announced in the run-up to their 2010 OSCE chairmanship, in accordance with the core commitments of OSCE member states and with the National Plan for Human Rights adopted in 2009 by the Kazakh Government;

Amendment

20. Calls on the HR/VP to keep up the pressure on the Kazakh authorities to ***completely*** fulfil the promises to improve elections and media freedom which they announced in the run-up to their 2010 OSCE chairmanship, in accordance with the core commitments of OSCE member states and with the National Plan for Human Rights adopted in 2009 by the Kazakh Government;

Or. en

Amendment 133

Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Calls on Kazakh authorities to uphold its international obligations and commitments, including those undertaken within OSCE human dimension;

Or. en

Amendment 134

Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Welcomes the aspirations of Kazakhstan towards closer and enhanced relations with the EU and takes note of the recent launching of negotiations on a new enhanced EU-Kazakhstan PCA but stresses that economic cooperation must

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go hand in hand with political cooperation and be based on the political will to implement common values; looks forward, in this context, to tangible progress in the fields of freedom of the media, freedom of association and assembly, and to improvements in the conduct of the electoral process in the upcoming legislative elections in 2012;

Or. en

Amendment 135
Andreas Mölzer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Welcomes the aspirations of Kazakhstan towards closer and enhanced relations with the EU and takes note of the recent launching of negotiations on a new enhanced EU-Kazakhstan PCA but stresses that economic cooperation **must** go hand in hand with political cooperation **and be based on the political will to implement common values**; looks forward, in this context, to tangible progress in the fields of freedom of the media, freedom of association and assembly, and to improvements in the conduct of the electoral process in the upcoming legislative elections in 2012;

Amendment

21. Welcomes the aspirations of Kazakhstan towards closer and enhanced relations with the EU and takes note of the recent launching of negotiations on a new enhanced EU-Kazakhstan PCA but stresses that economic cooperation **should** go hand in hand with political cooperation; looks forward, in this context, to tangible progress in the fields of freedom of the media, freedom of association and assembly, and to improvements in the conduct of the electoral process in the upcoming legislative elections in 2012;

Or. de

Amendment 136
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Welcomes the aspirations of Kazakhstan towards closer and enhanced relations with the EU and **takes note of** the recent launching of negotiations on a new enhanced EU-Kazakhstan PCA **but** stresses that economic cooperation must go hand in hand with political cooperation and be based on the political will to implement common values; looks forward, in this context, to tangible progress in the fields of freedom of the media, freedom of association and assembly, and to improvements in the conduct of the electoral process in the upcoming legislative elections in 2012;

Amendment

21. Welcomes the aspirations of Kazakhstan towards closer and enhanced relations with the EU and the recent launching of negotiations on a new enhanced EU-Kazakhstan PCA **and** stresses that economic cooperation must go hand in hand with political cooperation and be based on the political will to implement common values; looks forward, in this context, to tangible progress in the fields of freedom of the media, freedom of association and assembly, and to improvements in the conduct of the electoral process in the upcoming legislative elections in 2012;

Or. en

Amendment 137

Eduard Kukan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Welcomes the aspirations of Kazakhstan towards closer and enhanced relations with the EU and takes note of the recent launching of negotiations on a new enhanced EU-Kazakhstan PCA but stresses that economic cooperation must go hand in hand with political cooperation and be based on the political will to implement common values; looks forward, in this context, to tangible progress in the fields of freedom of the media, freedom of association and assembly, and to improvements in the conduct of the electoral process in the upcoming legislative elections in 2012;

Amendment

21. Welcomes the aspirations of Kazakhstan towards closer and enhanced relations with the EU and takes note of the recent launching of negotiations on a new enhanced EU-Kazakhstan PCA but stresses that economic cooperation must go hand in hand with political cooperation and be based on the political will to implement **and uphold** common values; looks forward, in this context, to tangible progress in the fields of freedom of the media, freedom of **expression, freedom of** association and assembly, and to improvements in the conduct of the electoral process in the upcoming legislative elections in 2012;

Or. en

Amendment 138
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Regrets the recent transition of prison facilities' oversight from the Ministry of Justice to the Ministry of Interior and calls upon the Government of Kazakhstan to intensify its efforts to prevent and remedy torture and inhuman, cruel and degrading treatment;

Or. en

Amendment 139
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Regrets to note the recent transition of prison facilities' oversight from the Ministry of Justice to the Ministry of Interior and calls upon the Government of Kazakhstan to intensify its efforts to prevent and remedy torture and inhuman, cruel and degrading treatment;

Or. en

Amendment 140
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21b. Deplores the intimidations by law enforcement officers and companies on oil workers who have been striking during the summer in Western Kazakhstan asking for increased wages and compensation for dangerous working conditions; calls for the immediate release of Natalya Sokolova, a lawyer of an independent trade union who was sentenced on charges of ‘igniting social unrest’ and Akhzanat Aminov who was arrested on charges of organising an illegal meeting; urges the Council to firmly raise the question of oil workers in Kazakhstan with all the European companies concerned in order to stop all practices that violate workers’ rights;

Or. en

**Amendment 141
David Martin**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21b. Expresses its concern at continuing violations of the fundamental human rights, such as the right to freedom of assembly and fair trial, as the recent cases of the Zhanaozen strike and imprisonment of trade union lawyer Natalya Sokolova show;

Or. en

**Amendment 142
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen**

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21c. Expresses concern over Kazakhstan introducing laws to re-register all religious entities; points out that this presents a dual challenge in terms of restricting the freedom of conscience of the prisoners and instituting a potential ‘witchhunt’ for religious extremists;

Or. en

Amendment 143
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21d. Encourages Kazakhstan to demonstrate its renewed commitment to the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) by removing all legal or regulatory obstacles for the successful implementation of this initiative; calls, in this regard, on the Kazakhi government to provide the National Stakeholders Council – a multi-stakeholder working groups overseeing EITI implementation – with a legal status of a decision-making authority within the EITI mandate;

Or. en

Amendment 144
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 6

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Kyrgyzstan

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Or. en

Amendment 145

Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. Commends Kyrgyzstan for its efforts to pursue democratic reforms and shift to a genuine multi-party system; hopes that further progress will be accomplished in the conduct of the upcoming presidential elections scheduled later this year; points out, nevertheless, that sustained efforts are needed to develop a fully functioning democracy, and calls in this regard on the HR/VP to assist the Kyrgyz authorities in the area of institution-building, consolidation of democratic practices and the fight against corruption and the infiltration of organised crime in Kyrgyz administration;

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Or. en

Amendment 146

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. Commends Kyrgyzstan for its efforts to pursue democratic reforms and shift to a genuine multi-party system; hopes that further progress will be accomplished in

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the conduct of the upcoming presidential elections scheduled later this year; points out, *nevertheless*, that sustained efforts are needed to develop a fully functioning democracy, and calls in this regard on the HR/VP to assist the Kyrgyz authorities in the area of institution-building, consolidation of democratic practices and the fight against corruption and the infiltration of organised crime in Kyrgyz administration;

the conduct of the upcoming presidential elections scheduled later this year; points out that sustained efforts are needed to develop a fully functioning democracy, and calls in this regard on the HR/VP to assist the Kyrgyz authorities in the area of institution-building, consolidation of democratic practices and the fight against corruption and the infiltration of organised crime in Kyrgyz administration;

Or. en

Amendment 147
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Commends Kyrgyzstan for its efforts to pursue democratic reforms and shift to a genuine multi-party system; hopes that further progress will be accomplished in the conduct of the upcoming presidential elections scheduled later this year; points out, nevertheless, that sustained efforts are needed to develop a fully functioning democracy, and calls in this regard on the *HR/VP* to assist the Kyrgyz authorities in the area of institution-building, consolidation of democratic practices and the fight against corruption and the infiltration of organised crime in Kyrgyz administration;

Amendment

22. Commends Kyrgyzstan for its efforts to pursue democratic reforms and shift to a genuine multi-party system; hopes that further progress will be accomplished in the conduct of the upcoming presidential elections scheduled later this year; points out, nevertheless, that sustained efforts are needed to develop a fully functioning democracy, and, *noting that Kyrgyzstan is one of the pilot countries for EU democracy support*, calls in this regard on the *EU* to assist the Kyrgyz authorities in the area of institution-building, consolidation of democratic practices and the fight against corruption and the infiltration of organised crime in Kyrgyz administration;

Or. en

Amendment 148
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Commends Kyrgyzstan for its efforts to pursue democratic reforms and shift to a genuine multi-party system; hopes that further progress will be accomplished in the conduct of the upcoming presidential elections scheduled later this year; points out, nevertheless, that sustained efforts are needed to develop a fully functioning democracy, and calls in this regard on the *HR/VP* to assist the Kyrgyz authorities in the area of institution-building, consolidation of democratic practices and the fight against corruption and the infiltration of organised crime in Kyrgyz administration;

Amendment

22. Commends Kyrgyzstan for its efforts to pursue democratic reforms and shift to a genuine multi-party system; hopes that further progress will be accomplished in the conduct of the upcoming presidential elections scheduled later this year; points out, nevertheless, that sustained efforts are needed to develop a fully functioning democracy, and calls in this regard on the *EU* to assist the Kyrgyz authorities in the area of institution-building, consolidation of democratic practices and the fight against corruption and the infiltration of organised crime in Kyrgyz administration;

Or. en

Amendment 149
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Welcomes the decision of the Kyrgyz Government to establish a Special Commission to implement and monitor the recommendations of the International Independent Commission (IIC) for investigation into the June 2010 events in South Kyrgyzstan, and calls on the Kyrgyz authorities to adopt the measures necessary to defuse interethnic tension and stabilise the situation and to promote cultural dialogue and respect for minority rights and the fight against all forms of discrimination; calls on the EU to design and implement EU assistance programmes together with the Kyrgyz

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authorities and NGOs aiming at conflict prevention, reconciliation and prevention of impunity;

Or. en

Amendment 150
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Welcomes the decision of the Kyrgyz Government to establish a Special Commission to implement and monitor the recommendations of the International Independent Commission (IIC) for investigation into the June 2010 events in South Kyrgyzstan, and calls on the Kyrgyz authorities to adopt the measures necessary to defuse interethnic tension and stabilise the situation and to promote cultural dialogue and respect for minority rights and the fight against all forms of discrimination; calls on the EU to design and implement EU assistance programmes together with the Kyrgyz authorities and NGOs aiming at conflict prevention, reconciliation and prevention of impunity;

Amendment

23. Welcomes the decision of the Kyrgyz Government to establish a Special Commission to implement and monitor the recommendations of the International Independent Commission (IIC) for investigation into the June 2010 events in South Kyrgyzstan, and calls on the Kyrgyz authorities to adopt the measures necessary to defuse interethnic tension, ***reduce ethno-nationalism*** and stabilise the situation and to promote cultural dialogue and respect for minority rights and the fight against all forms of discrimination; ***inter alia by instituting genuine judicial and police reform as a prerequisite for the prevention of human rights violations such as torture and other forms of police abuse*** calls on the EU to design and implement EU assistance programmes together with the Kyrgyz authorities and NGOs aiming at conflict prevention, reconciliation and prevention of impunity;

Or. en

Amendment 151
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Welcomes the decision of the Kyrgyz Government to establish a Special Commission to implement and monitor the recommendations of the International Independent Commission (IIC) for investigation into the June 2010 events in South Kyrgyzstan, and calls on the Kyrgyz authorities to adopt the measures necessary to defuse interethnic tension and stabilise the situation and to promote cultural dialogue and respect for minority rights and the fight against all forms of discrimination; calls on the EU to design and implement EU assistance programmes together with the Kyrgyz authorities and NGOs aiming at conflict prevention, reconciliation and prevention of impunity;

Amendment

23. Welcomes the decision of the Kyrgyz Government to establish a Special Commission to implement and monitor the recommendations of the International Independent Commission (IIC) for investigation into the June 2010 events in South Kyrgyzstan, and calls on the Kyrgyz authorities to adopt the measures necessary to defuse interethnic tension and stabilise the situation and to promote cultural dialogue and respect for minority rights and the fight against all forms of discrimination *inter alia, by instituting genuine judicial and police reform as a prerequisite for the prevention of human rights violations such as torture and other forms of police abuse*; calls on the EU to design and implement EU assistance programmes together with the Kyrgyz authorities and NGOs aiming at conflict prevention, reconciliation and prevention of impunity;

Or. en

Amendment 152
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 7

Motion for a resolution

Tajikistan

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 153
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24. Expresses its concern at the inefficiency of EU development aid in the country resulting from the high level of corruption and the looming regional fragmentation fuelled by the dire economic and social conditions; calls, therefore, for an alternative approach based on human security through alternative channels of assistance;

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Or. en

Amendment 154

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24. **Expresses** its concern at the inefficiency of EU development aid in the country resulting from the high level of corruption and the looming regional fragmentation fuelled by the dire economic and social conditions; calls, therefore, **for an alternative approach based on human security through alternative channels of assistance;**

24. **Highlights the crucial geopolitical situation of Tajikistan for the whole region; expresses** its concern at the inefficiency of EU development aid in the country resulting from the high level of corruption and the looming regional fragmentation fuelled by the dire economic and social conditions; calls, therefore, **on the EU to support without any delay Tajik efforts in these areas to improve sustainable democratic governance;**

Or. en

Amendment 155

Paolo Bartolozzi, Mario Mauro

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Expresses its concern at the *inefficiency of EU development aid in the country resulting from the high level of corruption and the looming regional fragmentation fuelled by the dire economic and social conditions; calls, therefore, for an alternative approach based on human security through alternative channels of assistance;*

Amendment

24. Expresses its concern at the *country's fragile economic situation, the political tensions and the obvious inadequacy and limited effectiveness of international aid;*

Or. fr

Amendment 156
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Expresses its concern at the inefficiency of EU development aid in the country resulting from the high level of corruption and the looming regional fragmentation fuelled by the dire economic and social conditions; calls, therefore, for an alternative approach based on human security through alternative channels of assistance;

Amendment

24. Expresses its concern at the inefficiency of EU development aid in the country resulting from the high level of corruption, *the influence of organized crime on governance* and the looming regional fragmentation fuelled by the dire economic and social conditions; calls, therefore, for an alternative approach based on human security through alternative channels of assistance;

Or. en

Amendment 157
Andreas Mölzer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Expresses its concern at the

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inefficiency of EU development aid in the country resulting from the high level of corruption and the looming regional fragmentation fuelled by the dire economic and social conditions; calls, therefore, for an alternative approach based on human security through alternative channels of assistance;

inefficiency of EU development aid in the country resulting from the high level of corruption and the looming regional fragmentation fuelled by the dire economic and social conditions; calls, therefore, for an alternative approach based on human security through alternative *non-monetary* channels of assistance *which are also aimed at curbing drug trafficking out of Tajikistan and Afghanistan*;

Or. de

Amendment 158
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Notes with concern restrictions on freedom of expression and recent restrictive amendments to the law on religion, as well as a new law on parental responsibility; expresses concern over reports of torture in custody and the continuing lack of access of civil society monitors to places of detention; calls for ICRC and international monitors to be granted access to penitentiaries to increase transparency and oversight;

Or. en

Amendment 159
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24a. Expresses concern over reports of torture in custody and the continuing lack

of access of civil society monitors to places of detention; calls for ICRC and international monitors to be granted access to penitentiaries to increase transparency;

Or. en

Amendment 160
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24b. Draws attention to the now frequent outbreaks of violence in regions of Tajikistan, the authorities' great difficulties to bring the situation under control, their calls for security assistance and international partners' reluctance to provide this, partly due to lack of confidence in the Tajik authorities;

Or. en

Amendment 161
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24c. Calls on the Tajik government to serve the citizens and make itself a credible actor for sustainable security and stability in the region by seriously combating corruption and avoiding the infiltration of organised crime into state structures; ending the loss of badly needed resources resulting from the highly opaque management of the finances of the TALCO aluminium

production plant; refraining from allocating funds to unnecessary prestige projects; launching a major effort to reverse the decay of the country's social and physical infrastructure; endeavouring to prevent new food and energy crises; and improving the respect for political, social and religious rights, with a view inter alia to remove grounds for grievances, frustration and radicalisation;

Or. en

Amendment 162
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24d. Recommends, in this respect, the Tajik government to set as an objective the achievement of progress in the areas above mentioned permitting major and steady improvements in the country's rankings in transparency, governance and other relevant indexes prepared by international organisations and calls for strict conditionality for EU aid via state structures and for intensified cooperation with non-state actors as an alternative in case the functioning of Tajik authorities does not substantially improve;

Or. en

Amendment 163
Sabine Lösing

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24e. Considers it to be of key importance, bearing in mind that Tajikistan is one of the poorest countries in the region, for all instruments including PCAs to be used exclusively in the direct fight against poverty in accordance with Article 208 TFEU, and not for the enforcement and realisation of European energy and security interests;

Or. de

Amendment 164

Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25. Calls on the EU to promote and help, by means of feasibility studies, technical expertise and, where necessary, appropriate EIB loans, the development of smaller-scale hydroelectric plant projects distributed along the course of rivers, and of alternative renewable energies;

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Or. en

Amendment 165

Andreas M \ddot{u} lzer

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25. Calls on the EU to promote and help, by means of feasibility studies, technical expertise ***and, where necessary,***

25. Calls on the EU to promote and help, by means of feasibility studies ***and*** technical expertise, the development of

appropriate EIB loans, the development of smaller-scale hydroelectric plant projects distributed along the course of rivers, and of alternative renewable energies;

smaller-scale hydroelectric plant projects distributed along the course of rivers, and, *where necessary*, of alternative renewable energies;

Or. de

Amendment 166
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Turkmenistan

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Or. en

Amendment 167
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26. Takes note of the legislation adopted in the political, economic, social and educational field and expects words to be followed by deeds; urges, in this regard, the Council and the HR/VP to encourage the Turkmen authorities to implement fully the new legislation and to continue the process of engagement with international and regional organisations;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 168
Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. **Takes note of** the legislation adopted in the political, economic, social and educational field **and expects words to be followed by deeds**; urges, in this regard, the Council and the HR/VP to encourage the Turkmen authorities to implement fully the new legislation and to continue the process of engagement with international and regional organisations;

Amendment

26. **Welcomes** the legislation adopted in the political, economic, social and educational field, **but stresses that comprehensive implementation measures need to follow**; urges, in this regard, the Council and the HR/VP to encourage the Turkmen authorities to implement fully the new legislation and to continue the process of engagement with international and regional organisations;

Or. en

Amendment 169
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. **Takes note of the legislation adopted in the political, economic, social and educational field and expects words to be followed by deeds**; urges, **in this regard**, the Council and the HR/VP to encourage the Turkmen authorities **to implement fully the new legislation and** to continue the process of engagement with international and regional organisations;

Amendment

26. urges the Council and the HR/VP to encourage the Turkmen authorities to continue the process of engagement with international and regional organisations;

Or. en

Amendment 170
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Takes note of the legislation adopted in the political, economic, social and educational field and expects words to be followed by deeds; urges, in this regard, the Council and the HR/VP to encourage the Turkmen authorities to implement fully the new legislation and to ***continue the process of engagement*** with international and regional organisations;

Amendment

26. Takes note of the legislation adopted in the political, economic, social and educational field and expects words to be followed by deeds; urges, in this regard, the Council and the HR/VP to encourage the Turkmen authorities to implement fully the new legislation and to ***engage more actively*** with international and regional organisations;

Or. en

Amendment 171
Andreas Mölzer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Takes note of the legislation adopted in the political, economic, social and educational field and expects words to be followed by deeds; urges, in this regard, the Council and the HR/VP to encourage the Turkmen authorities to implement fully the new legislation ***and*** to continue the process of engagement with international and regional organisations;

Amendment

26. Takes note of the legislation adopted in the political, economic, social and educational field and expects words to be followed by deeds; urges, in this regard, the Council and the HR/VP to encourage the Turkmen authorities to implement fully the new legislation, to continue the process of engagement with international and regional organisations ***and to diversify its gas deliveries by opening a trans-Caspian pipeline;***

Or. de

Amendment 172
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Is particularly worried of the situation in Turkmenistan where the current authorities have been systematically applying repressive policies which target all forms of opposition, independent NGOs, human rights activists;

Or. en

Amendment 173

Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27. Deplores, however, the fact that none of the conditions set by the European Parliament in February 2008 in order to move ahead with the Interim Agreement have been fulfilled, in particular free and unfettered access for the International Committee of the Red Cross, the release of all political prisoners and prisoners of conscience, the abolition of all government impediments to travel, and the possibility for NGOs to operate in the country;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 174

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27. Deplores, however, the fact that none

27. Asks for the entire fulfilment of the

of the conditions set by the European Parliament in February 2008 *in order to move ahead with the Interim Agreement have been fulfilled*, in particular free and unfettered access for the International Committee of the Red Cross, the release of all political prisoners and prisoners of conscience, the abolition of all government impediments to travel, and the possibility for NGOs to operate in the country;

conditions set by the European Parliament in February 2008, *namely* in particular free and unfettered access for the International Committee of the Red Cross, the release of all political prisoners and prisoners of conscience, the abolition of all government impediments to travel, and the possibility for NGOs to operate in the country;

Or. en

Amendment 175
David Martin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Deplores, however, the fact that none of the conditions set by the European Parliament in February 2008 in order to move ahead with the *Interim* Agreement have been fulfilled, in particular free and unfettered access for the International Committee of the Red Cross, the release of all political prisoners and prisoners of conscience, the abolition of all government impediments to travel, and the possibility for NGOs to operate in the country;

Amendment

27. Deplores, however, the fact that none of the conditions set by the European Parliament in February 2008 in order to move ahead with the *Partnership and Cooperation* Agreement have been fulfilled, in particular free and unfettered access for the International Committee of the Red Cross, the release of all political prisoners and prisoners of conscience, the abolition of all government impediments to travel, and the possibility for NGOs to operate in the country; *considers that these conditions must be met in order for Turkmenistan to comply with the international standards it has ratified*;

Or. en

Amendment 176
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Deplores, however, the fact that none of the conditions set by the European Parliament in February 2008 in order to move ahead with the Interim Agreement have been fulfilled, in particular free and unfettered access for the International Committee of the Red Cross, the release of all political prisoners and prisoners of conscience, the abolition of all government impediments to travel, and the possibility for NGOs to operate in the country;

Amendment

27. Deplores, however, the fact that none of the conditions set by the European Parliament in February 2008 in order to move ahead with the Interim Agreement have been fulfilled, in particular free and unfettered access for the International Committee of the Red Cross, the release of all political prisoners and prisoners of conscience, the abolition of all government impediments to travel, and the possibility for NGOs to operate in the country; ***considers that these conditions must be met in order for Turkmenistan to comply with the international standards it has ratified;***

Or. en

Amendment 177

Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Deplores, however, the fact that none of the conditions set by the European Parliament in February 2008 ***in order to move ahead with the Interim Agreement*** have been fulfilled, in particular free and unfettered access for the International Committee of the Red Cross, the release of all political prisoners and prisoners of conscience, the abolition of all government impediments to travel, and the possibility for NGOs to operate in the country;

Amendment

27. Deplores, however, the fact that none of the conditions set by the European Parliament in February 2008 have been fulfilled, in particular free and unfettered access for the International Committee of the Red Cross, the release of all political prisoners and prisoners of conscience, the abolition of all government impediments to travel, and the possibility for NGOs to operate in the country; ***considers that these conditions must be met in order for Turkmenistan to comply with the international standards it has ratified.***

Or. en

Amendment 178
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 9

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Uzbekistan

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Or. en

Amendment 179
Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

28. Takes note of the Council Conclusions of October 2010 that put an end to all sanctions on Uzbekistan and confirmed the willingness of the EU to strengthen relations with that country in a comprehensive manner; recalls that the level of the engagement depends on progress by Uzbekistan in the fields of human rights, democratisation and the rule of law, and expects the EEAS and the Council to develop a policy of critical, conditional and coherent European engagement with Uzbekistan;

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Or. en

Amendment 180
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

28. Takes note of the Council Conclusions

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of October 2010 that put an end to all sanctions on Uzbekistan **and confirmed the willingness of the EU to strengthen relations with that country in a comprehensive manner**; recalls that the level of the engagement depends on progress by Uzbekistan in the fields of human rights, democratisation and the rule of law, and expects the EEAS and the Council to develop a policy of critical, conditional and coherent European engagement with Uzbekistan;

of October 2010 that put an end to all sanctions on Uzbekistan; **points out that the government has yet to respond the EU request for an independent investigation into the Andijan tragedy**; recalls that the level of the engagement depends on progress by Uzbekistan in the fields of human rights, democratisation and the rule of law, and expects the EEAS and the Council to develop a policy of critical, conditional and coherent European engagement with Uzbekistan;

Or. en

Amendment 181
David Martin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Takes note of the Council Conclusions of October 2010 that put an end to all sanctions on Uzbekistan **and confirmed the willingness of the EU to strengthen relations with that country in a comprehensive manner**; recalls that the level of the engagement depends on progress by Uzbekistan in the fields of human rights, democratisation and the rule of law, and expects the EEAS and the Council to develop a policy of critical, conditional and coherent European engagement with Uzbekistan;

Amendment

28. Takes note of the Council Conclusions of October 2010 that put an end to all sanctions on Uzbekistan; **recalls that the government has yet to respond to the EU request for an independent investigation into the Andijan tragedy**; recalls that the level of the engagement depends on progress by Uzbekistan in the fields of human rights, democratisation and the rule of law, and expects the EEAS and the Council to develop a policy of critical, conditional and coherent European engagement with Uzbekistan;

Or. en

Amendment 182
Andreas Mölzer

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Takes note of the Council Conclusions of October 2010 that put an end to all sanctions on Uzbekistan and confirmed the willingness of the EU to strengthen relations with that country in a comprehensive manner; recalls that the level of the engagement depends on progress by Uzbekistan in the fields of human rights, democratisation and the rule of law, and expects the EEAS and the Council to develop a policy of critical, conditional and coherent European engagement with Uzbekistan;

Amendment

28. Takes note of the Council Conclusions of October 2010 that put an end to all sanctions on Uzbekistan and confirmed the willingness of the EU to strengthen relations with that country in a comprehensive manner; recalls that the level of the engagement depends on progress by Uzbekistan in the fields of human rights, democratisation and the rule of law ***and the fight against drug trafficking***, and expects the EEAS and the Council to develop a policy of critical, conditional and coherent European engagement with Uzbekistan;

Or. de

Amendment 183
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment 184
Hannes Swoboda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28 a (new)

Amendment

28a. Notes the concern by ILO, representatives of workers, employers and NGOs as to the ongoing use of forced child labour in Uzbekistan's cotton industry; calls for Uzbekistan's authorities to engage with the ILO and grant the ILO unfettered access to monitor the cotton harvest;

Or. en

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

28a. Notes the concern by ILO, representatives of workers, employers and NGOs as to the ongoing use of state-sanctioned forced child labour in Uzbekistan's cotton industry; calls for Uzbekistan's authorities to engage with the ILO and grant the ILO unfettered access to monitor the cotton harvest;

Or. en

Amendment 185

David Martin

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 28 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

28a. Notes the concern by the ILO, representatives of workers, employers and NGOs as to the ongoing use of state-orchestrated forced child labour in Uzbekistan's cotton industry, calls for Uzbekistan's authorities to engage with the ILO and grant the ILO unfettered access to monitor the cotton harvest;

Or. en

Amendment 186

Norica Nicolai

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29. Deplores the recent decision of the Uzbek authorities to close down the office of Human Rights Watch in Tashkent, and calls on them to allow unhindered access

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and operations by national and international NGOs throughout the country;

Or. en

Amendment 187

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. *Deplores* the recent decision of the Uzbek authorities to close down the office of Human Rights Watch in Tashkent, *and calls on them to allow unhindered access and operations by national and international NGOs throughout the country;*

Amendment

29. *Welcomes* the *Uzbek legal commitments aiming to allow national and international NGOs unhindered access and operations throughout the country; expects sustainable and coherent implementation; deplores in this regard the* recent decision of the Uzbek authorities to close down the office of Human Rights Watch in Tashkent;

Or. en

Amendment 188

Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. *Deplores the* recent decision of the Uzbek authorities to close down the office of Human Rights Watch in Tashkent, and calls on them to allow unhindered access and operations by national and international NGOs throughout the country;

Amendment

29. *Is alarmed by the* recent decision of the Uzbek authorities to close down the office of Human Rights Watch in Tashkent, *reminds them of their obligations towards OSCE* and calls on them to allow unhindered access and operations by national and international NGOs throughout the country;

Or. en

Amendment 189
David Martin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Deplores the recent decision of the Uzbek authorities to close down the office of Human Rights Watch in Tashkent, and calls on them to allow unhindered access and operations by national and international NGOs throughout the country;

Amendment

29. Deplores the recent decision of the Uzbek authorities to close down the office of Human Rights Watch in Tashkent, and calls on them to allow unhindered access and operations by national and international NGOs ***and monitors*** throughout the country;

Or. en

Amendment 190
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29a. Reiterates its concern over reports of continued use of forced child labour in Uzbekistan's cotton industry and urges the Uzbek authorities to accept a high level ILO monitoring mission to assess the situation on the ground;

Or. en

Amendment 191
Nadezhda Neynsky

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29a. Is concerned by the use of forced child labour, especially in the sphere of agriculture, and urges the Government of Uzbekistan to develop, implement and monitor effective policies to eliminate permanently forced child labour; calls on the European Union to support the Government of Uzbekistan in its efforts in the area;

Or. en

Amendment 192

Elisabeth Jeggle, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Inese Vaidere

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission.

30. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission, ***the EEAS, the EU Special Representative for Central Asia, and the governments and parliaments of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.***

Or. en