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Amendment 1
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Title

Motion for a resolution

on the Annual Report on Human Rights in the World and the European Union's policy on the matter, including implications for the EU's strategic **human** rights policy

Amendment

on the Annual Report on Human Rights in the World and the European Union's policy on the matter, including implications for the EU's strategic **Human** rights policy

(This amendment applies throughout the document: adoption would involve technical adjustments throughout the text. Linguistic amendment concerning French version.)

Or. fr

Amendment 2
Konrad Szymański
on behalf of the ECR Group
Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution
Citation 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Council conclusions of 21 February 2011 on intolerance, discrimination and violence on the basis of freedom of religion or belief,

Or. en

Amendment 3
Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Citation 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**- having regard to the Council
Conclusions on intolerance,
discrimination and violence on the basis
of religion or belief in its 3069th Foreign
Affairs Council meeting in Brussels, 21
February 2011,**

Or. en

Amendment 4
Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Leonidas Donskis, Edward McMillan-Scott, Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution
Citation 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**- having regard to the UN Declaration on
Human Rights Defenders, the activities of
the Special Representatives of the UN
Secretary General on the Situation of
Human Rights Defenders as well as the
EU guidelines on Human Rights
Defenders,**

Or. en

Amendment 5
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Citation 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to its resolution of 17 June
2010 on EU policies in favour of human
rights defenders,

– having regard to **the UN Declaration on
Human Rights Defenders, the activities of
the Special Representatives of the UN
Secretary General on the Situation of**

Human Rights Defenders, the EU guidelines on Human Rights Defenders, and to its resolution of 17 June 2010 on EU policies in favour of human rights defenders¹,

¹ Texts adopted, P7_TA(2010)0226.

Or. en

Amendment 6

Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Edward McMillan-Scott, Leonidas Donskis, Renate Weber

**Motion for a resolution
Citation 9 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the EU Guidelines on the protection of the rights of the child and the guidelines on children and armed conflict, as well as many previous European Parliament resolutions touching on these issues,

Or. en

Amendment 7

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

**Motion for a resolution
Citation 12 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Partnership agreement between the members of the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States of the one part, and the European Community and its Member States, of the other part, signed in Cotonou on 23 June 2000 and its latter revisions in February 2005 and June 2010,

Amendment 8
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Citation 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**- having regard to the 1981 UN
Declaration on the Elimination of All
Forms of Intolerance and of
Discrimination based on Religion and
Belief,**

Amendment 9
Konrad Szymański
on behalf of the ECR Group
Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution
Citation 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

**- having regard to United Nations
General Assembly resolution 66/167 on
Elimination of all forms of intolerance
and of discrimination based on religion or
belief,**

Amendment 10
Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Citation 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Foreign Affairs Council Conclusions on the European Neighbourhood Policy adopted on 20 June 2011 at its 3101st meeting,

Or. en

Amendment 11

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Citation 13 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to its resolution of 26 October 2011 on Tibet, in particular self-immolation by nuns and monks¹,

¹ *Texts adopted,
P7_TA_PROV(2011)0474.*

Or. en

Amendment 12

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Citation 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Foreign Affairs Council Conclusions on the European Endowment for Democracy adopted on 1 December 2011 at its 3130th meeting and the Declaration on the establishment of a European Endowment for Democracy agreed in COREPER on 15 December 2011,

Amendment 13
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Citation 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-having regard to the resolutions adopted by the UN General Assembly A/RES/46/121, A/RES/47/134 and A/RES/49/179 on human rights and extreme poverty, A/RES/47/196 on the observance of an international day for the eradication of poverty, and A/RES/50/107, on the celebration of the International Year for the Eradication of Poverty and proclamation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty,

Or. fr

Amendment 14
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Citation 23 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-having regard to UN Economic and Social Council Documents E/CN.4/Sub.2/1996/13, E/CN4/1987/NGO/2, E/CN4/1987/SR.29 and E/CN.4/1990/15 on human rights and extreme poverty, E/CN.4/1996/25 on the right to development and E/CN.4/SUB.2/RES/1996/25 on the realization of economic, social and cultural rights,

Or. fr

Amendment 15
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Citation 23 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-having regard to the Report by the UN Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights (A/66/265) examining the laws, regulations and practices that restrict behaviours in public spaces by persons living in poverty,

Or. fr

Amendment 16
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Citation 23 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-having regard to Resolution 17(13) adopted by the United Nations Security Council on 'Human rights and extreme poverty' of 14 June 2011,

Or. fr

Amendment 17
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Citation 34 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the 13 January 2012 report of the UN Special Representative of

the Secretary General on Violence against Children which reaffirms the human rights normative foundation of children's freedom from violence and calls for the universal ratification of the Optional Protocols to the Convention on the Rights of the Child and for the enactment of national legislation banning all forms of violence against children,

Or. en

Amendment 18

Konrad Szymański

on behalf of the ECR Group

Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution

Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the founding Treaties commit the Union to having its external actions guided by the principles of democracy, the rule of law, the universality and indivisibility of human rights and fundamental freedoms, respect for human dignity, the principles of equality and solidarity, and respect for the principles of the United Nations Charter and international law;

Amendment

A. whereas the founding Treaties commit the Union to having its external actions guided by the principles of democracy, the rule of law, the universality and indivisibility of human rights and fundamental freedoms, respect for human dignity ***and the rights of minorities***, the principles of equality and solidarity, and respect for the principles of the United Nations Charter and international law;

Or. en

Amendment 19

Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Edward McMillan-Scott, Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas democracy ***is*** the best safeguard

Amendment

C. whereas democracy, ***justice and***

of human rights, tolerance and equality;

accountability are the best safeguard of human rights, tolerance and equality;

Or. en

Amendment 20

Konrad Szymański

on behalf of the ECR Group

Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas democracy is the best safeguard of human rights, tolerance and equality;

Amendment

C. whereas democracy ***with the rule of law*** is the best safeguard of human rights, tolerance and equality;

Or. en

Amendment 21

Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution

Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas democracy is the best safeguard of human rights, tolerance and equality;

Amendment

C. whereas democracy is the best safeguard of human rights, ***fundamental freedoms***, tolerance and equality;

Or. en

Amendment 22

Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution

Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

C a. whereas freedom of thought, conscience and religion is at the core of the European Union, and this should be reflected relentlessly in its external action;

Or. en

Amendment 23
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

C a. whereas there is a link between human rights and development; whereas human rights are essential to achieving and sustaining the MDGs;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Mario Mauro, Tunne Kelam, Elena Băsescu, Anna Záborská, Carlo Casini

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

D. whereas freedom of opinion and expression without the risk of state punishment ***is a universal right, for which the availability of diverse sources of information is a necessary part;***

D. whereas freedom of ***conscience, religion,*** opinion and expression without the risk of state punishment ***are core*** universal ***rights;***

Or. en

Amendment 25

Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Edward McMillan-Scott, Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

E a. whereas non-governmental organisations are essential to the development and success of democratic societies and the promotion of mutual understanding and tolerance;

Or. en

Amendment 26

Konrad Szymański

on behalf of the ECR Group

Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution

Recital E a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

E a. whereas freedom of religion or belief continues to be under growing threat in many parts of the world by governmental and societal restrictions alike, resulting in discrimination, intolerance and violence against individuals and religious communities, including religious minority representatives;

Or. en

Amendment 27

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas lessons must be learned from the European Union's past failures in promoting transition in countries with authoritarian regimes in particular where stability and security concerns have compromised a principled policy of promoting democracy and human rights;

Amendment

F. whereas lessons must be learned from the European Union's past failures in promoting transition in countries with authoritarian regimes in particular where stability and security concerns have compromised a principled policy of promoting democracy and human rights, ***showing the need to redefine current EU instruments on the matter and establishing new tools like the European Endowment for Democracy - an expert, proactive, lightly structured and thus cost-effective, decision- and response-effective tool at EU arm's length, capable of utilising in-depth knowledge and insights on the local situation in the countries of impact, through direct cooperation with local partners and twinning European and local partners, utilising directly or through re-granting resources of the EU, Member States and beyond, to support civil society capacity for democratic opposition and political actors striving for democratic change in non-democratic countries and countries in transition, in a mutually safe, deniable if necessary, manner;***

Or. en

Amendment 28

Rui Tavares

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas lessons must be learned from the European Union's past failures in promoting transition in countries with authoritarian regimes in particular where

Amendment

F. whereas lessons must be learned from the European Union's past failures in ***re-shaping its external action while enshrining human and democracy at the***

stability and security concerns have compromised a principled policy of promoting democracy and human rights;

heart of its policies and promoting transition in countries with authoritarian regimes in particular where stability and security concerns have compromised a principled policy of promoting democracy and human rights;

Or. en

Amendment 29
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas lessons must be learned from the European Union's past failures in promoting transition in countries with authoritarian regimes in particular where stability and security concerns have compromised a principled policy of promoting democracy and human rights;

Amendment

F. whereas lessons must be learned from the European Union's past failures in promoting transition in countries with authoritarian regimes ***and de facto support for those regimes,*** in particular where stability and security concerns have compromised a principled policy of promoting democracy and human rights;

Or. en

Amendment 30
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

F a. whereas free and fair elections only represent the first step towards democracy which is a long term process based on human rights, the respect of rule of law and good governance;

Or. en

Amendment 31

Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution

Recital F a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

F a. whereas the enforcement of human rights clauses and human rights conditionality in partnership agreements between the EU and third countries entailing EU development aid remains unsatisfactory;

Or. en

Amendment 32

Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution

Recital G

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G. whereas 2010 marked the 10th anniversary of United Nations Security Council resolution (UNSCR) 1325 on women, peace and security;

G. whereas 2010 marked the 10th anniversary of United Nations Security Council resolution (UNSCR) 1325 on women, peace and security; ***whereas, however, additional efforts are needed for its implementation in the EU and around the world;***

Or. en

Amendment 33

Leonidas Donskis, Marietje Schaake, Charles Goerens, Metin Kazak, Kristiina Ojula, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution

Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G a. whereas different EU Member States have unique experiences to offer in terms of overcoming authoritarian regimes in their own past, and whereas this transition experience should be better utilised in the Union's relations with partner countries in strengthening democracy and human rights;

Or. en

Amendment 34

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Motion for a resolution

1. Stresses that for the European Union (EU) to be a credible actor in external relations, it must act consistently, in accordance with Treaty and acquis obligations and avoid double standards between its human rights policy and other external policies, between internal and external policies, and in the conduct of its relations with third countries;

Amendment

1. Stresses that for the European Union (EU) to be a credible actor in external relations, it must act consistently, in accordance with Treaty and acquis obligations and avoid double standards between its human rights policy and other external policies, between internal and external policies, and in the conduct of its relations with third countries ***combining this approach with the challenge of developing the human rights Country Strategy Papers and implementing action plans, which must also cover democratisation, reflecting the specificity of each country as regards impact, and making full use of the EU's relevant instruments;***

Or. en

Amendment 35

Marietta Giannakou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

1 a. Stresses that the appropriate measures must be taken in order that civil rights and fundamental freedoms are not compromised or diminished in times of economic crisis

Or. el

Amendment 36
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Stresses, too, that the Union's policies must not only be consistent, but also exemplary, in order to maximise ***its moral authority*** globally; insists that a clear indication that the recommendations made in the 2007 Fava report on the transportation and illegal detention of prisoners will be implemented, and welcomes the initiative to draw up a follow-up Parliamentary report;

2. Stresses, too, that the Union's policies must not only be consistent, but also exemplary, ***within the EU***, in order to maximise ***the EU's credibility*** globally ***and the effectiveness of Human Rights policies***; insists that a clear indication that the recommendations made in the 2007 Fava report on the transportation and illegal detention of prisoners will be implemented, and welcomes the initiative to draw up a follow-up Parliamentary report;

Or. fr

Amendment 37
Leonidas Donskis, Sarah Ludford, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Stresses, too, that the Union's policies ***must not only*** be consistent, ***but also*** exemplary, ***in order to maximise its moral authority globally***; insists that a clear indication that the recommendations made in the 2007 Fava report on the transportation and illegal detention of prisoners will be implemented, and welcomes the initiative to draw up a follow-up Parliamentary report;

Amendment

2. Stresses, too, that the Union's policies ***should*** be consistent ***and*** exemplary; insists that a clear indication that the recommendations made in the 2007 Fava report on the transportation and illegal detention of prisoners will be implemented, and welcomes the initiative to draw up a follow-up Parliamentary report;

Or. en

Amendment 38

Konrad Szymański

on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Stresses, too, that the Union's policies must not only be consistent, but also exemplary, in order to maximise its moral authority globally; ***insists that a clear indication that the recommendations made in the 2007 Fava report on the transportation and illegal detention of prisoners will be implemented, and welcomes the initiative to draw up a follow-up Parliamentary report;***

Amendment

2. Stresses, too, that the Union's policies must not only be consistent, but also exemplary, in order to maximise its moral authority globally;

Or. en

Amendment 39

Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Stresses, too, that the Union's policies must ***not only*** be consistent, ***but also exemplary***, in order to maximise its moral authority globally; insists that ***a clear indication that the*** recommendations made in the 2007 Fava report on the transportation and illegal detention of prisoners ***will*** be implemented, and welcomes the initiative to draw up a follow-up Parliamentary report;

Amendment

2. Stresses, too, that the Union's policies must be consistent, ***coherent and in accordance with fundamental values and principles***, in order to maximise its moral authority globally; insists that recommendations made in the 2007 Fava report on the transportation and illegal detention of prisoners be implemented ***by Member States***, and welcomes the initiative to draw up a follow-up Parliamentary report;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment 41
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Amendment

2 a. Recalls that economic and social rights have been an integral part of Human Rights since the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) in 1948; believes therefore, that the EU must help implement these in less advanced countries and developing countries with which it signs international agreements including trade agreements;

Or. fr

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that the **recast** of the **asylum directives** should put an end to **continuing concerns about** human rights breaches, as well as allegations of double standards by EU Member States in this area; maintains that the Member States should provide correlation tables for the pertinent provisions of the directives, in order to allow for proper scrutiny of their implementation; stresses that the difficult exercise of developing a common policy presents an opportunity to build on best practice; **underlines the role to be played by the European Asylum Support Office (EASO)**;

Amendment

3. Believes that the **revision** of **EU legislation** should put an end to **recurring** human rights breaches, as well as allegations of double standards by EU Member States in this area **and recalls that Member States must respect the provisions of the Geneva Convention which they have ratified so that asylum seekers in the EU may truly have access to asylum in all Member States and benefit from the international protection they need; highlights that for the creation of a Common European Asylum System legislation based on the minimum national laws and practices is not enough and regrets the slow progress in adopting a Common European Asylum System due in 2012 and consequently calls for a system to be adopted as an urgent response to the situation of asylum seekers, respecting Human Rights and dignity and decent living conditions for asylum seekers**; maintains that the Member States should provide correlation tables for the pertinent provisions of the directives, in order to allow for proper scrutiny of their implementation; stresses that the difficult exercise of developing a common policy presents an opportunity to build on best practice;

Or. fr

Amendment 42

Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that the recast of the asylum directives should put an end to continuing

Amendment

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concerns about human rights breaches, as well as allegations of double standards by EU Member States in this area; ***maintains that the Member States should provide correlation tables for the pertinent provisions of the directives, in order to allow for proper scrutiny of their implementation***; stresses that the difficult exercise of developing a common policy presents an opportunity to build on best practice; underlines the role to be played by the European Asylum Support Office (EASO);

concerns about human rights breaches, as well as allegations of double standards by EU Member States in this area; stresses that the difficult exercise of developing a common policy presents an opportunity to build on best practice; underlines the role to be played by the European Asylum Support Office (EASO);

Or. en

Amendment 43
Konrad Szymański
on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that the recast of the asylum directives should put an end to continuing concerns about human rights breaches, as well as allegations of double standards by EU Member States in this area; ***maintains that the Member States should provide correlation tables for the pertinent provisions of the directives, in order to allow for proper scrutiny of their implementation***; stresses that the difficult exercise of developing a common policy presents an opportunity to build on best practice; underlines the role to be played by the European Asylum Support Office (EASO);

Amendment

3. Believes that the recast of the asylum directives should put an end to continuing concerns about human rights breaches, as well as allegations of double standards by EU Member States in this area; stresses that the difficult exercise of developing a common policy presents an opportunity to build on best practice; underlines the role to be played by the European Asylum Support Office (EASO);

Or. en

Amendment 44

Rui Tavares

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3

Motion for a resolution

3. Believes that the recast of the asylum directives should put an end to continuing concerns about human rights breaches, as well as allegations of double standards by EU Member States in this area; maintains that the Member States should provide correlation tables for the pertinent provisions of the directives, in order to allow for proper scrutiny of their implementation; stresses that the difficult exercise of developing a common policy presents an opportunity to build on best practice; underlines the role to be played by the European Asylum Support Office (EASO);

Amendment

3. Believes that the recast of the asylum directives should put an end to continuing concerns about human rights breaches, as well as allegations of double standards by EU Member States in this area; maintains that the Member States should provide correlation tables for the pertinent provisions of the directives, in order to allow for proper scrutiny of their implementation; stresses that the difficult exercise of developing a common policy presents an opportunity to build on best practice; underlines the role to be played by the European Asylum Support Office (EASO); ***insists that the EU Member States have a role to play in the resettlement of refugees and renews its demands for the creation of a true Joint EU Programme of Resettlement of Refugees;***

Or. en

Amendment 45

Sarah Ludford, Marietje Schaake, Leonidas Donskis

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 a. Regrets that, despite the explicit call made by the European Parliament in the 2007 Fava report, a number of EU Member States have failed to fully and openly address their complicity in the worldwide violation of human rights that

took place in the context of the US rendition and secret detention programme, and the domestic human rights violations that accompanied this; believes this situation to be a grave and serious impediment to the EU's promotion of human rights in the world and claims to moral authority; urges EU Member States to take action to fully shed light upon, acknowledge, repair and prevent in the future these human rights violations, and calls on the EU institutions to maintain pressure on Member States for full and open investigations;

Or. en

Amendment 46
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 a. Underlines the role to be played by the European Asylum Support Office (EASO); underlines the need for close collaboration between the EU and the UNHCR to provide effective coordination for the national authorities of Member States in welcoming refugees;

Or. fr

Amendment 47
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 b. Disputes that the EU, the Member

States and the Commission do not indicate any change in migration policy as shown in the various Commission communications on the New European Neighbourhood Policy or the Partnership with the countries in the southern Mediterranean following the Arab Spring; Condemns the fact that the Commission and the Union, control mobility in the Mediterranean area through strengthening external EU border control and measures in the surrounding southern Mediterranean countries and deepening any partnerships and association agreements to be concluded, particularly readmission agreements and through strengthening measures in third Countries on combating illegal immigration; Deplores that the EUs approach to migratory policy continues to emphasise the control of migration rather than a policy which allows the free movement of people who want to live in another country, often to have a better life; emphasises that these proposals and this approach contradicts EU values and principles and in line with its state desire to promote democracy and Human Rights;

Or. fr

Amendment 48

Sarah Ludford, Marietje Schaake, Leonidas Donskis

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 3 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 b. Calls on the United States to honour its pledge to close the detention facility at Guantánamo Bay; urges EU Member States to step up efforts to resettle non-European detainees released from Guantánamo who cannot be repatriated to

their home states as they are under threat of death, torture or cruel and inhumane treatment;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

3 c. Calls immediately for the Union, the Member States and the European Commission to take the measures needed to ensure the rescue at sea of migrants trying to enter the EU and to ensure coordination and cooperation between the Member States and the competent authorities in order to avoid the drowning and death of hundreds of women, children and men at sea;

Or. fr

Amendment 50
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. *Encourages* the negotiations on the EU's accession to the European Convention on Human Rights, and *deplores* the obstructionist attitude of some EU Member States, notably France and the United Kingdom;

4. *Welcomes the conclusion of* negotiations on the EU's accession to the European Convention on Human Rights *in accordance with Article 6 of the TEU; is concerned about the questions posed by certain Member States on this EU accession, and the dilatory, even* obstructionist, attitude of some EU Member States, notably France and the

United Kingdom; *deplores the slow pace of the ratification procedures in the Member States and the attitude of certain Member States who are delaying this process;*

Or. fr

Amendment 51
Konrad Szymański
on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Encourages the negotiations on the EU's accession to the European Convention on Human Rights, *and deplores the obstructionist attitude of some EU Member States, notably France and the United Kingdom;*

Amendment

4. Encourages the negotiations on the EU's accession to the European Convention on Human Rights;

Or. en

Amendment 52
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4 a. Calls on the EU Member States to ratify the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) and the ILO Declaration of 1998; calls for the EU to comply with the Social Charter of 1961 and the Revised Social Charter; calls for the Commission to assist, as an observer, in particular in the work of the Commissioner for Human Rights of the European Committee of Social Rights

*(ECSR) and in the Governmental
Committee on the Social Charter;*

Or. fr

Amendment 53
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4 b. Recognises that the current crisis has a dramatic social impact on populations within and outside of the EU, notes that the different austerity measures adopted by the EU and other international institutions such as the IMF have lead to a deterioration in social and democratic rights and a significant deterioration in living conditions, particularly for the most vulnerable and fragile;

Or. fr

Amendment 54
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5. Welcomes the development of Country Strategy Papers on human rights and stresses that these should also cover democratisation; calls for their prompt implementation through action plans to complement these strategies, based on analyses of the situation and needs in each country and making full use of the EU's relevant instruments; reiterates its call for the Country Strategy Papers to be made

5. Welcomes the development of Country Strategy Papers on human rights and stresses that these should also cover democratisation; calls for their prompt implementation through action plans to complement these strategies, based on ***broad consultation processes with local and international civil society organisations***, analyses of the situation and needs in each country and making full use

available to Parliament;

of the EU's relevant instruments; reiterates its call for the Country Strategy Papers to be made available to Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 55

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Welcomes the development of Country Strategy Papers on human rights and stresses that these should also cover democratisation; calls for their prompt implementation through action plans to complement these strategies, based on analyses of the situation and needs in each country and making full use of the EU's relevant instruments; reiterates its call for the Country Strategy Papers to be made available to Parliament;

Amendment

5. Welcomes the development of Country Strategy Papers on human rights and stresses that these should also cover democratisation; calls for their prompt implementation through action plans to complement these strategies, based on analyses of the situation and needs in each country and making full use of the EU's relevant instruments; reiterates its call for the Country Strategy Papers to be made available to Parliament; ***stresses the need for consistency and avoidance of double standards;***

Or. en

Amendment 56

Rui Tavares

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Welcomes the development of Country Strategy Papers on human rights and stresses that these should also cover democratisation; calls for their prompt implementation through action plans to

Amendment

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complement these strategies, based on analyses of the situation and needs in each country and making full use of the EU's relevant instruments; reiterates its call for the Country Strategy Papers to be made available to Parliament;

complement these strategies, based on analyses of the situation and needs in each country and making full use of the EU's relevant instruments; ***insists on the necessity of using these Country Strategy Papers as reference documents to be mainstreamed in all policies and relevant external financial instruments***; reiterates its call for the Country Strategy Papers to be made available to Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 57
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and **human** rights; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, including systematic and regular dialogue on an equal footing;

Amendment

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and **Human** rights; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, including systematic and regular dialogue on an equal footing; ***that the information collected in this context must be put to good use but also protected by EU policies particularly through clauses on democracy and Human Rights; stresses the need to improve the sharing of information between the different actors in the defence of Human Rights across the world, in order to better understand the activities and actions taken, particularly with regards to specific cases, as well as the difficulties faced; is concerned about the particularly worrying situation of Human Rights defenders in Belarus, Turkey and Israel;***

Or. fr

Amendment 58
Leonidas Donskis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and human rights; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, including systematic and regular dialogue on an equal footing;

Amendment

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and human rights; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, including systematic and regular dialogue on an equal footing; ***encourages the EU to intensify its efforts to reach out to civil society and include their recommendations in its decision-making wherever feasible;***

Or. en

Amendment 59
Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and human rights; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, including systematic and regular dialogue on an equal footing;

Amendment

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and human rights; ***welcomes the establishment of the European Endowment for Democracy as a means to effectively support development of civil society and its capacity for democratic opposition in non-democratic and in-transition countries; encourages the EEAS and the EED Working Group established under its auspices in cooperation with Member States and EU institutions, to intensify efforts to finalize a legal framework for the EED during the 2012 Danish presidency and to develop its operational***

readiness; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, including systematic and regular dialogue on an equal footing;

Or. en

Amendment 60

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and human rights; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, including systematic and regular dialogue on an equal footing;

Amendment

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and human rights; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, including systematic and regular dialogue on an equal footing; *in this respect welcomes initiatives such as, for example, the Eastern Partnership-Civil Society Forum set up to promote contacts among civil society organisations and facilitate their dialogue with public authorities, and encourages EU institutions to take greater advantage of the recommendations and declarations developed during the first 2009 EP-CSF in Brussels, Belgium, 2010 in Berlin, Germany and 2011 in Poznań, Poland;*

Or. en

Amendment 61

Rui Tavares

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and human rights; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, ***including systematic and regular dialogue*** on an equal footing;

Amendment

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and human rights; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership on an equal footing, ***which must guarantee the active participation of civil society actors in the process of good governance; insists in this regard on the necessity of setting up a civil society monitoring mechanism so as to ensure its systematic participation in the definition and evaluation process of the implementation of agreements and programmes;***

Or. en

Amendment 62
Raimon Obiols

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and human rights; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, including systematic and regular dialogue on an equal footing;

Amendment

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and human rights; ***calls for the designation of contact persons with civil society and human rights defenders in EU Delegations to be completed;*** stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, including systematic and regular dialogue on an equal footing;

Or. es

Amendment 63
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and human rights; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, including systematic and regular dialogue on an equal footing;

Amendment

6. Emphasises the crucial role played by civil society in the protection and promotion of democracy and human rights; stresses that EU contacts with civil society should be built on a genuine partnership, including systematic, **timely** and regular dialogue on an equal footing;

Or. en

Amendment 64
Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6 a. Stresses the need for consistency and avoidance of double standards, combining this approach with the challenge of developing the human rights Country Strategy Papers and implementing action plans, which must also cover democratisation, reflecting the specificity of each country as regards the impact and making full use of the EU's relevant instruments;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Vytautas Landsbergis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6 a. Regrets the fact that some EU partner countries are initiating politicised and falsified trials against persons, thus violating human rights and fundamental norms of the rule of law; is deeply concerned that despite international calls, no measures are being taken in those third countries to ensure and respect the rights of those convicted in politically-motivated cases;

Or. en

Amendment 66
Marietta Giannakou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6 a. Stresses that facilitating citizens' direct participation in public life through their direct participation in political parties at the national and European level, is an essential right to express one's view and a democratic right.

Or. el

Amendment 67
Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7. Stresses the importance of the EU Annual Report on Human Rights and Democracy in the analysis and evaluation

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of the EU's policy on the matter; notes with regret that the High Representative/Vice-President of the Commission (HR/VP) and/or the European External Action Service (EEAS) did not present the report to the plenary at all this *year, unlike the previous* year, and very strongly encourages the HR/VP to present future such reports to Parliament and in timely fashion;

of the EU's policy on the matter; notes with regret that the High Representative/Vice-President of the Commission (HR/VP) and/or the European External Action Service (EEAS) *for the first time since the presentation of Annual Reports on Human Rights in the World* did not present the report to the plenary at all this year and very strongly encourages the HR/VP to present future such reports to Parliament and in timely fashion;

Or. en

Amendment 68

Leonidas Donskis, Marietje Schaake, Charles Goerens, Metin Kazak, Kristiina Ojula, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7 a. Believes that the promotion and support of non-violence reflects an international value that should constitute a priority for the EU's human rights and democracy policies, particularly considering that the non-violent methodology offers an effective and appropriate means and outcomes in terms of the prevention of conflict and support for democracy, rule of law and civil society around the world;

Or. en

Amendment 69

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. Regrets the largely descriptive nature of the Annual Report and the excessive focus on one-off actions; reiterates its request that a more systematic approach be provided, including the use of indices and benchmarks for individual countries, and that performance against these targets be analysed in the Annual Report, in order to facilitate a substantiated assessment of performance;

Amendment

8. Regrets the largely descriptive nature of the Annual Report and the excessive focus on one-off actions; reiterates its request that a more systematic approach be provided, including the ***development of a single catalogue of Human Rights and Democracy benchmarks shared throughout all EU institutions to be used as a point of reference on the matter not only in Annual Reports but in all EU documents and agreements***, use of indices and benchmarks for individual countries, and that performance against these targets be analysed in the Annual Report, in order to facilitate a substantiated assessment of performance;

Or. en

Amendment 70

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tőkés

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8**

Motion for a resolution

8. Regrets the largely descriptive nature of the Annual Report and the excessive focus on one-off actions; reiterates its request that a more systematic approach be provided, including the use of indices and benchmarks for individual countries, and that performance against these targets be analysed in the Annual Report, in order to facilitate a substantiated assessment of performance;

Amendment

8. Regrets the largely descriptive nature of the Annual Report and the excessive focus on one-off actions; reiterates its request that a more systematic approach be provided, including the use of indices and benchmarks for individual countries, and that performance against these targets be analysed in the Annual Report, in order to facilitate a substantiated assessment of performance; ***suggests that the implementation of the European Convention of Human Rights could constitute a viable element of such a HR and Democracy EU single benchmark catalogue in reference to the Eastern Partnership countries;***

Amendment 71
Kinga Gál

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Welcomes the comprehensive section on violence against women in this year's Annual Report; recognises the priority given to support efforts towards the worldwide abolition of the death penalty and to judicial reform issues; endorses the HR/VP's practical focus on EU action in international forums;

Amendment

9. Welcomes the comprehensive section on violence against women **and on the rights of the child** in this year's Annual Report; recognises the priority given to support efforts towards the worldwide abolition of the death penalty and to judicial reform issues; endorses the HR/VP's practical focus on EU action in international forums;

Or. en

Amendment 72
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Welcomes the comprehensive section on violence against women in this year's Annual Report; recognises the priority given to support efforts towards the worldwide abolition of the death penalty and to judicial reform issues; endorses the HR/VP's practical focus on EU action in international forums;

Amendment

9. Welcomes the comprehensive section on violence against women in this year's Annual Report; **in this contexts calls attention to scourges such as forced and sex-selective abortion, forced sterilization and female genital mutilation**; recognises the priority given to support efforts towards the worldwide abolition of the death penalty and to judicial reform issues; endorses the HR/VP's practical focus on EU action in international forums;

Or. en

Amendment 73

Leonidas Donskis, Marietje Schaake, Charles Goerens, Metin Kazak, Kristiina Ojula, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. **Invites** the HR/VP in her drafting of future Annual Reports to consult actively and **systematically** with Parliament, and to report on the way that Parliament's resolutions have been taken into account;

Amendment

10. **Urges** the HR/VP in her drafting of future Annual Reports to consult actively, **systematically** and **in a transparent fashion** with Parliament, and to report on the way that Parliament's resolutions have been taken into account; **asks the HR/VP to more regularly provide information on the stage of preparation of future Annual Reports whenever requested to do so by Parliament;**

Or. en

Amendment 74

Andrzej Grzyb, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Invites the HR/VP in her drafting of future Annual Reports to consult actively and systematically with Parliament, and to report on the way that Parliament's resolutions have been taken into account;

Amendment

10. Invites the HR/VP in her drafting of future Annual Reports to consult actively **in a timely way** and **comprehensively with human rights NGOs, publicly inviting all interested organizations to provide their input, enhancing the use of social networks and media to consult as many organizations as possible; further invites the HR/VP to systematically consult with the** Parliament and to report on the way that Parliament's resolutions have been taken into account;

Or. en

Amendment 75
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. ***Warmly welcomes*** the HR/VP's statement to Parliament on 13 December 2011 following up on Parliament's long-standing call for the creation of EU Special Representative on Human Rights; ***endorses her view that this would 'act as a catalyst and raise our profile internationally', and urges the creation of this post forthwith; calls for the function-holder to be expert in, and represent the HR/VP in relation to, international humanitarian law and international justice;***

Amendment

11. ***Notes*** the HR/VP's statement to Parliament on 13 December 2011 following up on Parliament's long-standing call for the creation of and EU Special Representative on Human Rights; ***requests that if this function is created, the EU Special Representative will have cross-sectoral skills enabling the implementation of a cohesion policy aimed at integrating Human Rights in all EU policies;***

Or. fr

Amendment 76
Frieda Brepoels, Barbara Lochbihler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Warmly welcomes the HR/VP's statement to Parliament on 13 December 2011 following up on Parliament's long-standing call for the creation of an EU Special Representative on Human Rights; endorses her view that this would 'act as a catalyst and raise our profile internationally', and urges the creation of this function forthwith; ***calls for the post-holder to be expert in, and represent the HR/VP in relation to, international humanitarian law and international justice;***

Amendment

11. Warmly welcomes the HR/VP's statement to Parliament on 13 December 2011 following up on Parliament's long-standing call for the creation of an EU Special Representative on Human Rights; endorses her view that this would 'act as a catalyst and raise our profile internationally', and urges the creation of this function forthwith; ***further recommends that an EU Special Representative on International Humanitarian Law and International Justice be appointed to advance EU policy and actions on the ICC effectively, and to give it the prominence and visibility it***

deserves, as well as to assist in ensuring the effective mainstreaming of justice and the fight against impunity in EU foreign policies, so that these issues are consistently weighed in an appropriate way in policy discussions;

Or. en

Amendment 77
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Warmly welcomes the HR/VP's statement to Parliament on 13 December 2011 following up on Parliament's long-standing call for the creation of an EU Special Representative on Human Rights; endorses her view that this would 'act as a catalyst and raise our profile internationally', and urges the creation of this function forthwith; calls for the post-holder to be expert in, and represent the HR/VP in relation to, international humanitarian law and international justice;

Amendment

11. Warmly welcomes the HR/VP's statement to Parliament on 13 December 2011 following up on Parliament's long-standing call for the creation of an EU Special Representative on Human Rights; endorses her view that this would 'act as a catalyst and raise our profile internationally', and urges the creation of this function forthwith; calls for the post-holder to be expert in, and represent the HR/VP in relation to, international humanitarian law and international justice; ***further recommends that an 'EUSR on International Humanitarian Law and International Justice' be appointed to advance EU policy and actions supporting the ICC effectively, and to give it the prominence and visibility it deserves, as well as to assist in ensuring the effective mainstreaming of justice and the fight against impunity in EU foreign policies, and that these matters are weighed consistently and appropriately in policy discussions;***

Or. en

Amendment 78
Wolfgang Kreissl-Dörfler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Warmly welcomes the HR/VP's statement to Parliament on 13 December 2011 following up on Parliament's long-standing call for the creation of an EU Special Representative on Human Rights; endorses her view that this would 'act as a catalyst and raise our profile internationally', and urges the creation of this function forthwith; ***calls for the post-holder to be expert in, and represent the HR/VP in relation to, international humanitarian law and international justice;***

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Or. en

Amendment 79
Konrad Szymański
on behalf of the ECR Group
Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

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internationally', and urges the creation of this function forthwith; calls for the post-holder to be expert in, and represent the HR/VP in relation to, international humanitarian law and international justice;

internationally', and urges the creation of this function forthwith; calls for the post-holder to be ***an internationally renowned*** expert in, and represent the HR/VP in relation to, ***human rights and*** international humanitarian law and international justice;

Or. en

Amendment 80

Andrzej Grzyb, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Warmly welcomes the HR/VP's statement to Parliament on 13 December 2011 following up on Parliament's long-standing call for the creation of an EU Special Representative on Human Rights; endorses her view that this would 'act as a catalyst and raise our profile internationally', and urges the creation of this function forthwith; calls for the post-holder to be expert ***in***, and represent the HR/VP in relation to, international humanitarian law and international justice;

Amendment

11. Warmly welcomes the HR/VP's statement to Parliament on 13 December 2011 following up on Parliament's long-standing call for the creation of an EU Special Representative on Human Rights; endorses her view that this would 'act as a catalyst and raise our profile internationally', and urges the creation of this function forthwith; calls for the post-holder to be ***an expert with European and worldwide authority to ensure that the transfer of HR issues into the newly created portfolio of the EU Special Representative on Human Rights does not create the risk of diminishing the importance given to HR issues by the EU but quite the contrary***, and represent the HR/VP in relation to, international humanitarian law and international justice;

Or. en

Amendment 81

Rui Tavares

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

11. Warmly welcomes the HR/VP's statement to Parliament on 13 December 2011 following up on Parliament's long-standing call for the creation of an EU Special Representative on Human Rights; endorses her view that this would 'act as a catalyst and raise our profile internationally', and urges the creation of this function forthwith; calls for the post-holder to be expert in, and represent the HR/VP in relation to, international humanitarian law and international justice; ***warns, however, against any attempt to isolate human rights policy from the overall external policy strategies through the creation of such a Special Representative;***

Or. en

Amendment 82
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Considers it vital that international agreements do not contradict the EU's commitment to ***fundamental rights***; proposes that ***human*** rights impact assessments be undertaken during the negotiation stage, to be followed up by regular progress reports comprising the assessments made by the EU institutions and services responsible for implementation and evaluations provided by local and international civil society organisations as part of institutionalised civil society monitoring mechanisms;

Amendment

12. Considers it vital that international agreements do not contradict the EU's commitment to ***democracy and Human Rights***; ***reiterates its call to the Commission and to the Council to make clauses concerning democracy and Human Rights effective in international agreements and calls for an effective implementing mechanism of this clause as laid down in Articles 8, 9 and 96 of the Cotonou Agreement***; proposes that ***Human*** rights impact assessments be undertaken during the negotiation stage, to

be followed up by regular progress reports comprising the assessments made by the EU institutions and services responsible for implementation and evaluations provided by local and international civil society organisations as part of institutionalised civil society monitoring mechanisms;
believes that these clauses should allow the Commission to suspend, at least temporarily, trade benefits including those from free-trade agreements in the event of sufficient evidence of Human Rights breaches including the right to work, either on its own initiative or following a request made by a Member State or the European Parliament;

Or. fr

Amendment 83

Rui Tavares

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Considers it vital that international agreements do not contradict the EU's ***commitment to fundamental rights***; proposes that human rights impact assessments be undertaken during the negotiation stage, to be followed up by regular progress reports comprising the assessments made by the EU institutions and services responsible for implementation and evaluations provided by local and international civil society organisations as part of institutionalised civil society monitoring mechanisms;

Amendment

12. Considers it vital that international agreements do not contradict the EU's ***founding principles enshrined in Article 21 of the TEU***; proposes that human rights impact assessments be undertaken ***prior to the launching of the negotiations of such agreements as well as*** during the negotiation stage, to be followed up by regular progress reports comprising the assessments made by the EU institutions and services responsible for implementation and evaluations provided by local and international civil society organisations as part of institutionalised civil society monitoring mechanisms; ***insists on the full use in this regard of Article 218 of the TEU according to which the Commission has the obligation***

to inform the Parliament and the Council at all stages of the negotiations of international agreements with third countries; considers it, in this respect, highly important to provide EU institutions with highly qualified and independent expertise on individual countries' human rights and democracy situations;

Or. en

Amendment 84
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Considers it vital that international agreements do not contradict the EU's commitment to fundamental rights; proposes that human rights impact assessments be undertaken during the negotiation stage, to be followed up by regular progress reports comprising the assessments made by the EU institutions and services responsible for implementation and evaluations provided by local and international civil society organisations as part of institutionalised civil society monitoring mechanisms;

Amendment

12. Considers it vital that international agreements, ***namely on trade, energy, readmission, security and technical cooperation***, do not contradict the EU's commitment to fundamental rights; proposes that human rights impact assessments ***with benchmarks*** be undertaken during the negotiation stage, to be followed up by regular progress reports comprising the assessments made by the EU institutions and services responsible for implementation and evaluations provided by local and international civil society organisations as part of institutionalised civil society monitoring mechanisms;

Or. en

Amendment 85
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Calls for the European Union to defend, in this context, access for populations to the natural and vital resources of their countries, access to land and food security as a fundamental right;

Or. fr

Amendment 86
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Recommends that, to move beyond general ideas of mainstreaming, a set of practical measures be drawn up which must be binding on all EU officials working externally; stresses that training on human rights must be compulsory across the EEAS and relevant parts of the Commission; recommends that tasks pertaining to mainstreaming be incorporated into officials' job descriptions as part of the yearly staff evaluation;

Amendment

13. Recommends that, to move beyond general ideas of mainstreaming, a set of practical measures be drawn up which must be binding on all EU officials working externally ***as well as all staff in Member States taking part in the operational actions of EU agencies, including FRONTEX***; stresses that training on human rights must be compulsory across the EEAS and relevant parts of the Commission; recommends that tasks pertaining to mainstreaming be incorporated into officials' job descriptions as part of the yearly staff evaluation;

Or. fr

Amendment 87
Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Recommends that, to move beyond general ideas of mainstreaming, a set of practical measures be drawn up which must be binding on all EU officials working externally; stresses that training on human rights must be compulsory across the EEAS and relevant parts of the Commission; recommends that tasks pertaining to mainstreaming be incorporated into officials' job descriptions as part of the yearly staff evaluation;

Amendment

13. Recommends that, to move beyond general ideas of mainstreaming, a set of practical measures be drawn up which must be binding on all EU officials working externally, ***as well as experts working on behalf of the EU and financed with EU funding, and that the latter group should comply with international norms and standards***; stresses that training on human rights must be compulsory across the EEAS and relevant parts of the Commission; recommends that tasks pertaining to mainstreaming be incorporated into officials' job descriptions as part of the yearly staff evaluation;

Or. de

Amendment 88

Konrad Szymański

on behalf of the ECR Group

Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Recommends that, to move beyond general ideas of mainstreaming, a set of practical measures be drawn up which must be binding on all EU officials working externally; stresses that training on human rights must be compulsory across the EEAS and relevant parts of the Commission; recommends that tasks pertaining to mainstreaming be incorporated into officials' job descriptions ***as part of the yearly staff evaluation***;

Amendment

13. Recommends that, to move beyond general ideas of ***human rights*** mainstreaming, a set of practical measures be drawn up which must be binding on all EU officials working externally; stresses that training on human rights must be compulsory across the EEAS and relevant parts of the Commission; recommends that tasks pertaining to mainstreaming be incorporated into officials' job descriptions ***and taken into account in regular evaluations of staff performance***;

Or. en

Amendment 89
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

13. Recommends that, to move beyond general ideas of mainstreaming, a set of practical measures be drawn up which must be binding on all EU officials working externally; stresses that training on human rights must be compulsory across the EEAS and relevant parts of the Commission; recommends that tasks pertaining to mainstreaming be incorporated into officials' job descriptions as part of the yearly staff evaluation;

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Or. en

Amendment 90
Leonidas Donskis, Marietje Schaake, Charles Goerens, Metin Kazak, Kristiina Ojula, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

13 a. Further recommends that, whenever a gross breach of human rights occurs by a partner country with which an international agreement such as a PCA has been concluded, the EU takes bolder steps in carrying out the appropriate sanctions as stipulated in the human rights clauses of the agreement, including possible temporary suspension of the agreement;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 91
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 a. Insists that the goals of development, democracy, human rights, good governance and security are intertwined; takes the view that a consistent policy for the promotion of democracy and human rights must integrate the EU instruments and partnership agreements established with third countries to eradicate poverty; adds in this context that EU development aid programmes should include concrete and substantial reforms to ensure respect for human rights, transparency, gender equality and the fight against corruption in beneficiary countries; notes, furthermore, that stricter conditionality and suspension of aid should be applied in beneficiary countries which manifestly disregard basic human rights and freedoms and which fail to enact legislation which fulfils international obligations;

Or. en

Amendment 92
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13 b. Highlights the importance of drawing up adequate follow-up programmes to the EU Election Observation Mission Reports in close

cooperation with the European Parliament, ensuring that these follow-up programmes are also linked to any development programmes;

Or. en

Amendment 93
Frieda Brepoels, Barbara Lochbihler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

14. Stresses that the mainstreaming of international justice must include systematically taking account of the fight against impunity in the broader context of trade, development and rule-of-law assistance; stresses that victims must be the central concern; recommends that the Rome Statute of the ICC be added to the package of international treaties on good governance and the rule of law to be ratified by third countries admitted to the System of Generalised Preferences Plus (GSP+); recommends the consistent inclusion of ICC clauses in EU agreements with third countries;

Amendment

14. Stresses that the mainstreaming of international justice must include systematically taking account of the fight against impunity ***and the principle of complementarity*** in the broader context of trade, development and rule-of-law assistance; stresses that victims must be the central concern; recommends that the Rome Statute of the ICC be added to the package of international treaties on good governance and the rule of law to be ratified by third countries admitted to the System of Generalised Preferences Plus (GSP+); recommends the consistent inclusion of ICC clauses in EU agreements with third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 94
Wolfgang Kreissl-Dörfler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

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systematically taking account of the fight against impunity in the broader context of trade, development and rule-of-law assistance; stresses that victims must be the central concern; recommends that the Rome Statute of the ICC be added to the package of international treaties on good governance and the rule of law to be ratified by third countries admitted to the System of Generalised Preferences Plus (GSP+); recommends the consistent inclusion of ICC clauses in EU agreements with third countries;

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Or. en

Amendment 95
Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Motion for a resolution

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Or. de

Amendment 96

Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Edward McMillan-Scott, Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 14

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14. Stresses that the mainstreaming of international justice must include systematically taking account of the fight against impunity in the broader context of trade, development and rule-of-law assistance; stresses that victims ***and affected communities*** must be the central concern, ***with a special focus on vulnerable groups, including women, children, young people and people with disabilities***; recommends that the Rome Statute of the ICC be added to the package of international treaties on good governance and the rule of law to be ratified by third countries admitted to the System of Generalised Preferences Plus (GSP+); recommends the consistent inclusion of ICC clauses in EU agreements with third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 97

Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution

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assistance; stresses that victims *and affected communities* must be the central concern, *with a special focus on vulnerable groups, including women, children, young people and people with disabilities*; recommends that the Rome Statute of the ICC *and the ILO Convention* be added to the package of international treaties on good governance and the rule of law to be ratified by third countries admitted to the System of Generalised Preferences Plus (GSP+); recommends the consistent inclusion of ICC clauses in EU agreements with third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 98

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

14. Stresses that the mainstreaming of international justice must include systematically taking account of the fight against impunity in the broader context of trade, development and rule-of-law assistance; stresses that victims must be the central concern; *highlights the importance of establishing constitutional structures, including an efficient legal system, the separation of powers and a recognized and independent judiciary in order to strengthen the promotion of human rights in any country*; recommends that the Rome Statute of the ICC be added to the package of international treaties on good governance and the rule of law to be ratified by third countries admitted to the System of Generalised Preferences Plus (GSP+); recommends the consistent inclusion of ICC clauses in EU agreements

with third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 99

Rui Tavares

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

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Or. en

Amendment 100

Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution

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international justice must include systematically taking account of the fight against impunity in the broader context of trade, development and rule-of-law assistance; stresses that **rehabilitation and re-integration of victims in society** must be the central concern; recommends that the Rome Statute of the ICC be added to the package of international treaties on good governance and the rule of law to be ratified by third countries admitted to the System of Generalised Preferences Plus (GSP+); recommends the consistent inclusion of ICC clauses in EU agreements with third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 101 **Leonidas Donskis**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 15**

Motion for a resolution

15. Welcomes the adoption by the UN General Assembly of resolution 65/276 on the participation of the EU in the work of the UN as a modest start to a greater endeavour to upgrade the EU role in the organisation; stresses that speaking with one voice should **not come at the expense of** human rights concerns and, **on the contrary**, considers that the EU must now vigorously insist on exercising its rights and put its enhanced status to work in order to pursue an ambitious human rights strategy;

Amendment

15. Welcomes the adoption by the UN General Assembly of resolution 65/276 on the participation of the EU in the work of the UN as a modest start to a greater endeavour to upgrade the EU role in the organisation; stresses that speaking with one voice should **result in an even stronger emphasis on** human rights concerns **in the world** and **effective action to tackle these problems**; considers that the EU must now vigorously insist on exercising its rights and put its enhanced status to work in order to pursue an ambitious human rights strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 102

Konrad Szymański

on behalf of the ECR Group

Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution

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15. Welcomes the adoption by the UN General Assembly of resolution 65/276 on the participation of the EU in the work of the UN as a modest start to a greater endeavour to upgrade the EU role in ***the human rights work of*** the organisation; stresses that speaking with one voice should not come at the expense of human rights concerns and, on the contrary, considers that the EU must now vigorously insist on exercising its rights and put its enhanced status to work in order to pursue an ambitious human rights strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 103

Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

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strategy;

democracy promotion strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 104

Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15 a. Reiterates its call to the Council to authorise the High Representative/Vice-President (HR/VP) to draft guidelines for regular consultations between the ambassadors of the Member States and the EU's ambassadors, especially between those working at a multilateral level in places like Geneva and New York, so that the EU can successfully pursue its UN agenda and act for the promotion and defence of human rights;

Or. en

Amendment 105

Konrad Szymański

on behalf of the ECR Group

Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Welcomes the constructive role played by the EU in the reform of the Human Rights Council (HRC), in particular its total support for the independence of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, its defence of the role of Special Procedures, country mandates and the indivisibility of all human rights;

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recommends that the EU and its Member States state their clear opposition to the practice of regional groups putting forward ‘clean slates’ for elections to the HRC; welcomes the first complete cycle of the Universal Periodic Review (UPR), and recommends that EU Member States lead by example, building on from the first round input following consultations at national level; endorses the inclusion of follow-up to the UPR on the agenda of EU human rights dialogues with third countries and in Country Strategy Papers;

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recommends that the EU encourage joint action at the HRC on Eritrea's domestic human rights situation, and encourages member states of the HRC to seek a Special Procedures mandate to monitor the situation in Eritrea on an on-going basis;

Or. en

Amendment 106
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

17. Stresses the fact that in order to attract a consensus on more of its proposals at the HRC, the EU's capacity for outreach must be improved as a matter of urgency, including through enlisting **the support of the HR/VP to lobby capitals in third countries in support of EU positions**; welcomes the more strategic, medium-term approach to the preparation of HRC sessions being taken within the Human Rights Working Group of the Council (COHOM);

Amendment

17. Stresses the fact that in order to attract a consensus on more of its proposals at the HRC, the EU's capacity for outreach must be improved as a matter of urgency, including through enlisting the support of the HR/VP to work together with as many third countries as possible; welcomes the more strategic, medium-term approach to the preparation of HRC sessions being taken within the Human Rights Working Group of the Council (COHOM);

Or. fr

Amendment 107
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Highlights that the World Bank estimates that today, 60 million men and women are totally dependant on forests and believes that deforestation constitutes a major impediment to the attainment of the Millennium Development Goals owing to the loss of ecosystem services provided by forests (particularly rainfall, prevention of soil erosion and water purification), considering that 70 % of the world's poor live in rural areas and depend directly on natural resources for their survival and well-being, and that the urban poor also rely on these resources for ecosystem services such as the maintenance of air and water quality and the breakdown of waste;

Or. fr

Amendment 108
Wolfgang Kreissl-Dörfler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18. Welcomes the updating of the EU's policy on the ICC through the Council Decision of 21 March 2011 and the revision of the EU Action Plan on the ICC; encourages the EU and its Member States to adopt a set of internal guidelines outlining a code of conduct for contacts with persons wanted by the ICC; calls on

18. Welcomes the updating of the EU's policy on the ICC through the Council Decision of 21 March 2011 and the revision of the EU Action Plan on the ICC ***of 12 July 2011; recognises the efforts of the European Commission to establish an 'EU Complementarity Toolkit' aimed at supporting the development of national***

all Member States (notably the Republic of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg and Portugal) to **sign** framework agreements with the ICC in order to facilitate cooperation **and to fully integrate the Rome Statute into national legislation**;

capacities and generating political will for the investigation and prosecution of alleged international crimes, and stresses the importance of thorough consultations with EU Member States, the European Parliament and civil society organisations in order to finalise the toolkit; encourages the EU and its Member States to adopt a set of internal guidelines outlining a code of conduct for contacts with persons wanted by the ICC; calls on all Member States (notably the Republic of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg and Portugal) to **fully integrate the Rome Statute into national legislation, in particular by enacting relevant national legislation on cooperation with the Court and by concluding** framework agreements with the ICC in order to facilitate cooperation, **in particular to ensure the execution of arrest warrants and other Court requests**;

Or. en

Amendment 109
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the updating of the EU's policy on the ICC through the Council Decision of 21 March 2011 and the revision of the EU Action Plan on the ICC; encourages the EU and its Member States to adopt a set of internal guidelines outlining a code of conduct for contacts with persons wanted by the ICC; calls on all Member States (notably the Republic of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg and Portugal) to **sign** framework agreements with the ICC in order to facilitate cooperation and to fully

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relevant national legislation on cooperation with the Court, and concluding framework agreements with the ICC in order to facilitate cooperation, ***in particular to ensure the execution of arrest warrants and other Court requests*** and to fully integrate the Rome Statute into national legislation;

Or. en

Amendment 110

Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18

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18. Welcomes the updating of the EU's policy on the ICC through the Council Decision of 21 March 2011 and the revision of the EU Action Plan on the ICC; encourages the EU and its Member States to adopt a set of internal guidelines outlining a code of conduct for contacts with persons wanted by the ICC; calls on all Member States (notably the Republic of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg and Portugal) to ***sign*** framework agreements with the ICC in order to facilitate cooperation ***and to fully integrate the Rome Statute into national legislation;***

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Or. en

Amendment 111

Frieda Brepoels, Barbara Lochbihler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

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18. Welcomes the updating of the EU's policy on the ICC through the Council Decision of 21 March 2011 and the revision of the EU Action Plan on the ICC; encourages the EU and its Member States to adopt a set of internal guidelines outlining a code of conduct for contacts with persons wanted by the ICC; calls on all Member States (notably the Republic of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg and Portugal) to ***sign*** framework agreements with the ICC in order to facilitate cooperation ***and to fully integrate the Rome Statute into national legislation;***

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Or. en

Amendment 112
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the updating of the EU's policy on the ICC through the Council Decision of 21 March 2011 and the revision of the EU Action Plan on the ICC; encourages the EU and its Member States to adopt a set of internal guidelines outlining a code of conduct for contacts with persons wanted by the ICC; calls on all Member States (***notably the Republic of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg and Portugal***) to sign

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framework agreements with the ICC in order to facilitate cooperation and to fully integrate the Rome Statute into national legislation;

the Rome Statute into national legislation;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Frieda Brepoels, Barbara Lochbihler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 a. Recognises the efforts of the European Commission to establish an 'EU Complementarity Toolkit' aimed at supporting the development of national capacities and generating political will for the investigation and prosecution of alleged international crimes, and stresses the importance of systematic consultations with EU Member States, the European Parliament and civil society organisations in order to finalise the toolkit;

Or. en

Amendment 114
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 a. Notes that the Rome Statute of the ICC establishes a mechanism of "last resort" to bring to justice the individuals responsible for crimes against humanity, genocide, war crimes, and the crime of aggression, as provided by the principle of

complementarity enshrined in the Rome Statute; recognises the efforts of the European Commission to establish an 'EU Complementarity Toolkit' aimed at supporting the development of national capacities and generating political will for the investigation and prosecution of alleged international crimes, and stresses the importance of thorough consultations with EU Member States, the European Parliament and civil society organisations in order to finalise the toolkit;

Or. en

Amendment 115
Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 a. Reiterates in principle the precedence of the jurisdiction of national criminal courts when pursuing crimes against humanity, genocide and war crimes as set down in the Rome Statute; in this context, unreservedly calls on all States party to the Rome Statute to strengthen their powers and political will to prosecute the most serious breaches of international law in their own countries; calls on the VP/HR and the European Commission to take this requirement into account when drawing up the various policy areas and instruments;

Or. de

Amendment 116
Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Welcomes the adoption at the Kampala Review Conference of amendments to the Rome Statute related to the crime of aggression and certain war crimes, and calls on all EU Member States to promptly ratify these substantive amendments and to implement them as part of their domestic penal systems; welcomes the EU's pledges in particular on the fight against impunity as a core value to be shared with our partners when entering into agreements, and calls for their consistent implementation;

Amendment

19. Welcomes the adoption at the Kampala Review Conference of amendments to the Rome Statute related to the crime of aggression and certain war crimes, and calls on all EU Member States to promptly ratify these substantive amendments and to implement them as part of their domestic penal systems; ***in this context, calls on the Council, Commission and European Parliament to use its international authority in the interests of securing and strengthening the universality of the Rome Statute for an internationally agreed definition of acts of aggression in breach of international law***; welcomes the EU's pledges in particular on the fight against impunity as a core value to be shared with our partners when entering into agreements, and calls for their consistent implementation;

Or. de

Amendment 117
Frieda Brepoels, Barbara Lochbihler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Recommends that the EU systematically promote respect for, cooperation with and assistance to the ICC within the framework of the Cotonou Agreement and of dialogues between the EU and regional organisations and third countries;

Amendment

20. Recommends that the EU systematically promote respect for, cooperation with and assistance to the ICC within the framework of the Cotonou Agreement and of dialogues between the EU and regional organisations ***such as the African Union and the Organisation of American States, and*** third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 118
Wolfgang Kreissl-Dörfler

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Recommends that the EU systematically promote respect for, cooperation with and assistance to the ICC within the framework of the Cotonou Agreement and of dialogues between the EU and regional organisations and third countries;

Amendment

20. Recommends that the EU systematically ***include ICC clauses in agreements with third countries and*** promote respect for, cooperation with and assistance to the ICC within the framework of the Cotonou Agreement and of dialogues between the EU and regional organisations ***such as the African Union, the Arab League, ASEAN, the Organisation of American States, and the OSCE, and*** third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 119
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

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20. Recommends that the EU systematically promote respect for, cooperation with and assistance to the ICC within the framework of the Cotonou Agreement and of dialogues between the EU and regional organisations and third countries;

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20. Recommends that the EU systematically promote respect for, cooperation with and assistance to the ICC within the framework of the Cotonou Agreement and of dialogues between the EU and regional organisations ***such as the African Union and the Organisation of American States, and*** third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 120
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Welcomes the EU's and Member States' financial and logistical support for the ICC, and recommends it be maintained; expresses its deep concern over the outcome of the budget discussions at the December 2011 session of the Assembly of State Parties, which threatens to leave the Court underfunded and thus undermines its ability to deliver justice and to respond to new situations; calls on the EU and its Member States to show **robust** support for the functioning of the Court;

Amendment

21. Welcomes the EU's and Member States' financial and logistical support for the ICC, and recommends it be maintained; expresses its deep concern over the outcome of the budget discussions at the December 2011 session of the Assembly of State Parties, which threatens to leave the Court underfunded and thus undermines its ability to deliver justice and to respond to new situations; calls on the EU and its Member States to show **adequate** support for the functioning of the Court;

Or. en

Amendment 121
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution

21. Welcomes the EU's and Member States' financial and logistical support for the ICC, and recommends it be maintained; expresses its deep concern over the outcome of the budget discussions at the December 2011 session of the Assembly of State Parties, which threatens to leave the Court underfunded and thus undermines its ability to deliver justice and to respond to new situations; calls on the EU and its Member States to show robust support for the functioning of the Court;

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Amendment 122
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21 a. Notes that Columbia remains one of the most dangerous countries in the world in terms of participation in trade union activities, and that Human Rights breaches also affecting students, farmers, women and children, remain in almost complete impunity, believes that consequently the ratification of the free-trade agreement with this country should be subject to conditions; strongly condemns the fact that the Intelligence Agency (DAS), which depends directly on the President of the Republic, carried out regular phone-tapping and illegal activity aimed at discrediting Supreme Court judges, political opponents and Human Rights defenders, recalls that the European Parliament Subcommittee on Human Rights, people residing in Europe and NGOs have also been targeted; requests that these serious offences do not go unpunished; calls for the EU to apply the recommendations on Columbia in the 2009 report of the Committee against torture;

Or. fr

Amendment 123
Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Edward McMillan-Scott, Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21 a. Recognises the critical role of the Rome Statute system in the fight against impunity through its promotion of the principle of complementarity, whereby States retain the primary responsibility to investigate and, where appropriate, prosecute those accused of committing crimes under international law; welcomes the efforts of the European Commission to establish an "EU Complementarity Toolkit"; welcomes the efforts of EU Member States' civil society to support complementarity efforts in countries where crimes under international law and massive human rights violations have occurred, and encourages such efforts to continue;

Or. en

Amendment 124

Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress for all based on sustainable development, ***and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy and respect for human rights;***

Amendment

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a ***political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy and respect for human rights and the rule of law*** and a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress for all based on sustainable development;

Or. en

Amendment 125

Raimon Obiols

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress **for all** based on sustainable development, and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy and respect for human rights;

Amendment

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress, **including eradication of poverty and the fight against inequality**, based on sustainable development, and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy and respect for human rights;

Or. es

Amendment 126
Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress for all based on sustainable development, and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy and respect for human rights;

Amendment

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress for all based on sustainable development, **including the basic need for food**, and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy **rule of law** and respect for human rights;

Or. en

Amendment 127
Rui Tavares
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress for all based on sustainable development, and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy and respect for human rights;

Amendment

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress for all based on sustainable development, and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy, *with a special focus on the independence of the judiciary and the fight against corruption*, and respect for human rights *and fundamental freedoms*;

Or. en

Amendment 128

Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress for all based on sustainable development, and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy and respect for human rights;

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22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress for all based on sustainable development, and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy and respect for human rights *and fundamental freedoms*;

Or. en

Amendment 129

Konrad Szymański

on behalf of the ECR Group

Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress for all based on sustainable development, and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy and respect for human rights;

Amendment

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress for all based on sustainable development, and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy and respect for human rights ***and fundamental freedoms***;

Or. en

Amendment 130

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress for all based on sustainable development, and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy and respect for human rights;

Amendment

22. Reiterates its conviction that all EU external actions must combine a development dimension which focuses on socio-economic progress for all based on sustainable development, and a political dimension which supports pluralism, democracy and respect for human rights; ***reiterates that the European Endowment for Democracy as referred to in the European Parliament's documents will be particularly effective in this matter and a viable complement to the current EU and Member State instruments***;

Or. en

Amendment 131

Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Considers that the EU should only grant partner countries advanced status if clear human rights and democracy requirements are met;

Amendment

23. Considers that the EU should only grant partner countries advanced status if clear human rights and democracy requirements are met; ***stresses the need to not submit the Arab Spring countries currently in the democratisation phase to the conditions for the granting of an advanced status which are stricter than those planned during the negotiations with the governments in power prior to the Arab Spring;***

Or. fr

Amendment 132

Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Considers that the EU should only grant partner countries advanced status if clear human rights and democracy requirements are met;

Amendment

23. Considers that the EU should only grant partner countries advanced status if clear human rights and democracy requirements are met, ***and should not hesitate to freeze it should these requirements no longer be fulfilled;***

Or. en

Amendment 133

Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Considers that the EU should only grant partner countries advanced status if

Amendment

23. Considers that the EU should only grant partner countries advanced status if

clear human rights and democracy requirements are met;

clear human rights and democracy requirements are met; *serious consideration in this regard should be made in further negotiations with Russia on the new advanced Partnership Agreement;*

Or. en

Amendment 134
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Considers that the EU should only grant partner countries advanced status if clear human rights and democracy requirements are met;

Amendment

23. Considers that the *performance-driven approach "more for more" should drive the relations of the EU with all third countries, and that the EU* should only grant partner countries advanced status if clear human rights and democracy requirements are met;

Or. en

Amendment 135
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Considers that the EU should only grant partner countries advanced status if *clear* human rights and democracy requirements are met;

Amendment

23. Considers that the EU should only grant partner countries advanced status if human rights and democracy requirements are met, *along with compliance with international law; expects, in this regard, that the advanced status granted to the Kingdom of Morocco will translate into concrete programme to end the occupation of Western Sahara and other*

violations of the human rights of the people of Western Sahara;

Or. en

Amendment 136

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. ***Takes note of the plans*** to establish a European Endowment for Democracy (EED); underlines the Endowment's potential function as a flexible and ***expert*** tool to support actors striving for democratic change in non-democratic countries and countries in transition; urges the Council to ensure that any such tool complements the activities of existing instruments, in particular the EIDHR; stresses that the EU's contribution to the EED budget must ***be genuinely additional*** and must be delivered in full conformity with financial rules, respecting the right of the budgetary authority to monitor and scrutinise;

Amendment

25. ***Welcomes the political decision*** to establish a European Endowment for Democracy (EED) ***expressed in the Joint Communication of HR/VP and Commission, Council Conclusions of 3101st and 3130th meeting, leading to the Declaration On The Establishment of A European Endowment For Democracy agreed in COREPER on 15 December 2011, together with the efforts undertaken by an European Endowment for Democracy Working Group established under the auspices of the EEAS in cooperation with Member States and EU institutions, hoping it will be able to finalise a legal framework for the EED during the 2012 Danish presidency and develop its operational readiness;*** underlines the Endowment's potential function as a flexible, ***expert, proactive, lightly structured*** and ***thus cost-, decision- and response-effective*** tool ***at EU arm's length, capable of utilising in-depth knowledge and insights on the local situation in the countries of impact, through direct cooperation with local partners and twinning European and local partners, utilising directly or through re-granting resources of the EU, Member States and beyond,*** to support actors striving for democratic change in non-democratic countries and countries in transition, ***in a mutually safe, deniable if***

necessary, manner, focusing on organized groups with a well-conceived political agenda; urges the Council to ensure that any such tool *among its other external actions* complements the activities of existing instruments, in particular the EIDHR; stresses that the EU's contribution to the EED budget must *reflect the involvement of other donors* and must be delivered in full conformity with financial rules, respecting the right of the budgetary authority to monitor and scrutinise, *respecting the sensitivity of data and the security of beneficiaries;*

Or. en

Amendment 137
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Takes note of the plans to establish a European Endowment for Democracy (EED); underlines the Endowment's potential function as a flexible and expert tool to support actors striving for democratic change in non-democratic countries and countries in transition; urges the Council to ensure that any such tool complements the activities of existing instruments, in particular the EIDHR; stresses that the EU's contribution to the EED budget must be genuinely additional and must be delivered in full conformity with financial rules, respecting the right of the budgetary authority to monitor and scrutinise;

Amendment

25. Takes note of the plans to establish a European Endowment for Democracy (EED); underlines the Endowment's potential function, *under the European Parliament's supervision*, as a flexible and expert tool to support actors striving for democratic change in non-democratic countries and countries in transition; urges the Council to ensure that any such tool complements the activities of existing instruments, in particular the EIDHR; stresses that the EU's contribution to the EED budget must be genuinely additional and must be delivered in full conformity with financial rules, respecting the right of the budgetary authority to monitor and scrutinise;

Or. en

Amendment 138
Leonidas Donskis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Takes note of the plans to establish a European Endowment for Democracy (EED); underlines the Endowment's potential function as a flexible and expert tool to support actors striving for democratic change in non-democratic countries and countries in transition; urges the Council to ensure that any such tool complements the activities of existing instruments, in particular the EIDHR; stresses that the EU's contribution to the EED budget must be genuinely additional and must be delivered in full conformity with financial rules, respecting the right of the budgetary authority to monitor and scrutinise;

Amendment

25. Takes note of the plans to establish a European Endowment for Democracy (EED); underlines the Endowment's potential function as a flexible and expert tool to support actors striving for democratic change in non-democratic countries and countries in transition; urges the Council to ensure that any such tool complements the activities of existing instruments, in particular the EIDHR, ***without creating new bureaucratic structures wherever these are not necessary***; stresses that the EU's contribution to the EED budget must be genuinely additional and must be delivered in full conformity with financial rules, respecting the right of the budgetary authority to monitor and scrutinise;

Or. en

Amendment 139
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. ***Takes note of*** the plans to establish a European Endowment for Democracy (EED); underlines the Endowment's potential function as a flexible and expert tool to support actors striving for democratic change in non-democratic countries and countries in transition; urges the Council to ensure that any such tool complements the activities of existing

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25. ***Welcomes*** the plans to establish a European Endowment for Democracy (EED); underlines the Endowment's potential function as a flexible and expert tool to support actors striving for democratic change in non-democratic countries and countries in transition; urges the Council to ensure that any such tool complements the activities of existing

instruments, in particular the EIDHR; stresses that the EU's contribution to the EED budget must be genuinely additional and must be delivered in full conformity with financial rules, respecting the right of the budgetary authority to monitor and scrutinise;

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Or. en

Amendment 140
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Calls for systematic support for new, freely and fairly elected parliaments, especially in countries in transition and those to which the EU has sent election observation missions; considers that such support should be financed by the European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) and geographic instruments;

Amendment

24. Calls for systematic support for new, freely and fairly elected parliaments, especially in countries in transition and those to which the EU has sent election observation missions; considers that such support should be financed by the European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) and geographic instruments *that should be adequately funded*;

Or. en

Amendment 141
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Calls for systematic support for new, freely and fairly elected parliaments, especially in countries in transition and those to which the EU has sent election observation missions; considers that such

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support should be financed by the European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) and geographic instruments;

support should be financed by the European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) and geographic instruments *in a manner clearly distinct from the funds allocated to Human Rights defence organisations to avoid them becoming victims of political exploitation*;

Or. fr

Amendment 142
Raimon Obiols

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

25. Takes note of the plans to establish a European Endowment for Democracy (EED); underlines the Endowment's potential function as a flexible and expert tool to support actors striving for democratic change in non-democratic countries and countries in transition; urges the Council to ensure that any such tool complements the activities of existing instruments, in particular the EIDHR; stresses that the EU's contribution to the EED budget must be genuinely additional and must be delivered in full conformity with financial rules, respecting the right of the budgetary authority to monitor and scrutinise;

Amendment

25 Takes note of the plans to establish a European Endowment for Democracy (EED); underlines the Endowment's potential function as a flexible and expert tool to support actors striving for democratic change in non-democratic countries and countries in transition; urges the Council to ensure that any such tool complements the activities of existing instruments, in particular the EIDHR; stresses that the EU's contribution to the EED budget must be genuinely additional and must be delivered in full conformity with financial rules, *under European Parliament control*, respecting the right of the budgetary authority to monitor and scrutinise;

Or. es

Amendment 143
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Stresses the importance of a political support process not simply focussed on the period immediately before and after elections, but based on continuity; welcomes the HR/VP's attention to 'deep democracy', which links democratic processes with human rights, freedom of expression and association, the rule of law and good governance;

Amendment

26. Stresses the importance of a political support process not simply focussed on the period immediately before and after elections, but based on continuity; welcomes the HR/VP's attention to 'deep democracy', which links democratic processes with human rights, freedom of expression and association, ***freedom of religion and belief***, the rule of law and good governance;

Or. en

Amendment 144

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Stresses the importance of a political support process not simply focussed on the period immediately before and after elections, but based on continuity; welcomes the HR/VP's attention to 'deep democracy', which links democratic processes with human rights, freedom of expression and association, the rule of law and good governance;

Amendment

26. Stresses the importance of a political support process not simply focussed on the period immediately before and after elections, but based on continuity; welcomes the HR/VP's attention to 'deep democracy', which links democratic processes with human rights, freedom of expression and association, the rule of law and good governance; ***expects that the European Endowment for Democracy, the new tool at arm's length of the EU, to effectively support the development of civil society and its capacity for democratic opposition in non-democratic and in-transition countries;***

Or. en

Amendment 145

Mario Mauro, Tunne Kelam, Elena Băsescu, Anna Záborská, Carlo Casini

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. Stresses the importance of a political support process not simply focussed on the period immediately before and after elections, but based on continuity; welcomes the HR/VP's attention to 'deep democracy', which links democratic processes with human rights, freedom of expression and association, the rule of law and good governance;

Amendment

26. Stresses the importance of a political support process not simply focussed on the period immediately before and after elections, but based on continuity; welcomes the HR/VP's attention to 'deep democracy', which links democratic processes with human rights, freedom of expression and association, the rule of law and good governance; ***underlines that in this context the right to religious freedom should also be assigned a duly prominent role; in fact such a right is generally recognized as one of the most fundamental of all human rights;***

Or. en

Amendment 146
Kinga Gál

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 a. Welcomes the commitment of the HR/VP to focus in election observation on the participation of women and national minorities, as well as persons with disabilities both as candidates and voters¹;

¹ Human Rights and Democracy at the Heart of EU External Action - Towards a more effective Approach, Joint Communication, 12 December 2011

Or. en

Amendment 147

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Stresses again the importance of choosing priority countries for election observation missions on the basis of a mission's potential for impact on the promotion of genuine long-term democratisation, *such as Sudan, Ukraine and Kyrgyzstan in 2010*;

Amendment

27. Stresses again the importance of choosing priority countries for election observation missions on the basis of a mission's potential for impact on the promotion of genuine long-term democratisation;

Or. en

Amendment 148

Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Stresses again the importance of choosing priority countries for election observation missions on the basis of a mission's potential for impact on the promotion of genuine long-term democratisation, *such as Sudan, Ukraine and Kyrgyzstan in 2010*;

Amendment

27. Stresses again the importance of choosing priority countries for election observation missions on the basis of a mission's potential for impact on the promotion of genuine long-term democratisation;

Or. fr

Amendment 149

Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

27. Stresses again the importance of choosing priority countries for election observation missions on the basis of a mission's potential for impact on the promotion of genuine long-term democratisation, such as Sudan, Ukraine and Kyrgyzstan in 2010;

Amendment

27. Stresses again the importance of choosing priority countries for election observation missions on the basis of a mission's potential for impact on the promotion of genuine long-term democratisation, such as ***East Timor in 2007 and*** Sudan, Ukraine and Kyrgyzstan in 2010; ***regrets, in contrast, the decision to send an EU/EOM to Ethiopia in 2010 after the manifestly perverted electoral process of 2005 with both missions prevented by the authoritarian Ethiopian government from delivering their final recommendation reports in the country and with no follow-up whatsoever;***

Or. en

Amendment 150
Leonidas Donskis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Calls upon the Council ***and*** the Commission to develop a political strategy in relation to each EU election observation mission, followed up by an assessment of democratic progress two years after the mission, to be submitted during Parliament's annual human rights debate with the HR/VP;

Amendment

28. Calls upon the Council, the Commission ***and the EEAS*** to develop a political strategy in relation to each EU election observation mission, followed up by an assessment of democratic progress two years after the mission, to be submitted during Parliament's annual human rights debate with the HR/VP;

Or. en

Amendment 151
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

28 a. Stresses the importance of providing assistance and carrying out election observation in cooperation with the United Nations; believes that this assistance should under no circumstances evolve into a form of EU interference in the political life of third countries;

Or. fr

Amendment 152

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

29. Stresses the importance, at the end of each election observation mission, of drawing up realistic and achievable recommendations, with the dissemination and monitoring of these recommendations to be carried out by EU Delegations; considers that Parliament's standing delegations and the joint parliamentary assemblies should play an enhanced role in following up these recommendations and analysing progress with regard to human rights and democracy;

29. Stresses the importance, at the end of each election observation mission, of drawing up realistic and achievable recommendations ***in cooperation with other international actors***, with the dissemination and monitoring of these recommendations to be carried out by EU Delegations; considers that Parliament's standing delegations and the joint parliamentary assemblies should play an enhanced role in following up these recommendations and analysing progress with regard to human rights and democracy; ***supports therefore the promotion of a sustainable and regular dialogue with these third country parliaments;***

Or. en

Amendment 153
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Stresses the importance, at the end of each election observation mission, of drawing up realistic and achievable recommendations, with the dissemination and monitoring of these recommendations to be carried out by EU Delegations; considers that Parliament's standing delegations and the joint parliamentary assemblies should play an enhanced role in following up these recommendations and analysing progress with regard to human rights and democracy;

Amendment

29. Stresses the importance, at the end of each election observation mission, of drawing up realistic and achievable recommendations, with the dissemination and monitoring of these recommendations to be carried out by EU Delegations; considers that Parliament's standing delegations and the joint parliamentary assemblies should play an enhanced role in following up these recommendations and analysing progress with regard to human rights and democracy; ***underlines the need to improve the working methodology of European Parliament election observation delegations and to take care to enhance the skills of the participating MEPs and personnel;***

Or. en

Amendment 154
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Stresses that participation in a structured human rights dialogue, while welcomed, is too often used as a pretext to avoid discussion of these issues at higher political levels including partner summits; calls on all EU institutions to make greater efforts to integrate these dialogues in all in-country EU external actions;

Amendment

30. Stresses that participation in a structured human rights dialogue, while welcomed, is too often used as a pretext to avoid discussion of these issues at higher political levels including partner summits; calls on all EU institutions, ***its Member States and their embassies*** to make greater efforts to integrate these dialogues in all in-country EU external actions; ***stresses the need for transparency and genuine***

previous consultation of civil society organisations, as well as subsequent debriefing after the dialogues, in order to inform on the results;

Or. en

Amendment 155
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 a. Stresses that dialogue with third countries should not under any circumstances constitute a restriction on the freedom of the people to the right of self-determination; deplores that the EU and its Member States too often give priority to diplomatic, political or economic considerations to the detriment of Human Rights and which moreover leads to a double-standard policy that goes against a universal view of Human Rights; stresses the importance for the very credibility of the EU, to avoid any exploitation of these issues;

Or. fr

Amendment 156
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32. Regrets that the post-dialogue/consultation assessments undertaken have not led to the development of clear performance

32. Regrets that the post-dialogue/consultation assessments undertaken have not led to the development of clear performance

indicators or benchmarks; urges that objectives be set in advance of, and evaluated immediately after, each dialogue or consultation, in a transparent manner and involving the widest possible stakeholders; stresses that the conclusions of these assessments must be fed into summit meetings and other contacts between the EU and its partners, and must inform the EU and its Member States' actions in other bi- and multilateral settings;

indicators or benchmarks; urges that objectives be set in advance of, and evaluated immediately after, each dialogue or consultation, in a transparent manner and involving the widest possible stakeholders; stresses that the conclusions of these assessments must be fed into summit meetings and other contacts between the EU and its partners, and must inform the EU and its Member States' actions in other bi- and multilateral settings; ***these indicators must particularly be taken into account to ensure the effectiveness of clauses concerning democracy and Human Rights in all EU agreements, whatever their nature;***

Or. fr

Amendment 157

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32 a. Stresses the importance and urgency of improving the modalities and substance of these dialogues in consultation with civil society; reiterates that dialogues can be constructive and can have real impact on the ground only if followed up with concrete steps taking account of the EU's objectives and the EU Guidelines on human rights dialogues with third countries, as well as if corrective measures are put in place;

Or. en

Amendment 158

Andrzej Grzyb, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

32 b. Recalls that the EU should use these dialogues as an instrument to raise individual cases of human rights violations in third countries, such as cases of political prisoners and detainees as for example in Vietnam and China, imprisoned for the peaceful exercise of basic rights, such as freedom of expression, assembly, association and religion; furthermore calls on the EU to make regular use of this opportunity and follow up responses to individual cases it has raised, monitor these cases, and closely coordinate with human rights organisations involved as well as other countries having human rights dialogues with the country in question;

Or. en

Amendment 159
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

33. Is disappointed to note that only a limited number of assessments have been carried out and on an irregular basis despite the Guidelines stipulation that the dialogues ‘must preferably be assessed every other year’; strongly regrets that there has been no systematic involvement of the European Parliament in the assessments to date, including for Russia and China; calls for a formalisation of access for the European Parliament to these assessments and a guarantee that this will be carried out in the most open and

33. Is disappointed to note that only a limited number of assessments have been carried out and on an irregular basis despite the Guidelines stipulation that the dialogues ‘must preferably be assessed every other year’; strongly regrets that there has been no systematic involvement of the European Parliament in the assessments to date, including for Russia and China; calls for a formalisation of access for the European Parliament to these assessments and a guarantee that this will be carried out in the most open and

transparent way possible; recalls that the Guidelines state that ‘civil society will be involved in this assessment exercise’, and considers that the implementation of this commitment requires the establishment of a concrete mechanism to that effect;

transparent way possible; recalls that the Guidelines state that ‘civil society will be involved in this assessment exercise’, and considers that the implementation of this commitment requires the establishment of a concrete mechanism to that effect;
considers that as soon as civil society becomes involved in this assessment, hearings before the public authorities of the countries concerned will be required;

Or. fr

Amendment 160
Vytautas Landsbergis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

33 a. Regrets that despite all the calls of the European Parliament and other international institutions, Mikhail Khodorkovsky was sentenced in his second politicized and administratively-motivated trial in Russia, which did not comply with the principles of a fair and independent judicial system, thus strongly violating human rights;

Or. en

Amendment 161
Leonidas Donskis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

34. Calls for all contractual relationships with third countries, both industrialised and developing, and including sectoral

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agreements, trade and technical or financial aid agreements, to include clearly worded clauses on human rights and democracy, without exception;

agreements, trade and technical or financial aid agreements, to include clearly worded ***binding*** clauses on human rights and democracy, without exception;

Or. en

Amendment 162

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

34. Calls for all contractual relationships with third countries, both industrialised and developing, and including sectoral agreements, trade and technical or financial aid agreements, to include clearly worded clauses on human rights and democracy, without exception;

Amendment

34. Calls for all contractual relationships with third countries, both industrialised and developing, and including sectoral agreements, trade and technical or financial aid agreements, to include clearly worded clauses on human rights and democracy, without exception; ***in order to give an unambiguous point of reference for the clauses, reiterates the need to develop a single catalogue of Human Rights and Democracy benchmarks shared throughout all EU institutions, to be used in a descriptive manner but also for evaluation purposes and to programme future expectations in all EU documents and agreements with third countries;***

Or. en

Amendment 163

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

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developing, and including sectoral agreements, trade and technical or financial aid agreements, to include clearly worded clauses on human rights and democracy, without exception; ***suggests that the implementation of the European Convention of Human Rights could constitute a viable element of such a HR and Democracy EU single benchmark catalogue;***

Or. en

Amendment 164
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

34. Calls for all contractual relationships with third countries, both industrialised and developing, and including sectoral agreements, trade and technical or financial aid agreements, to include clearly worded clauses on human rights and democracy, without exception;

Amendment

34. Calls for all contractual relationships with third countries, both industrialised and developing, and including sectoral agreements, trade and technical or financial aid agreements, to include clearly worded clauses on human rights and democracy, without exception; ***calls on the European Commission to ensure a stricter enforcement of these clauses;***

Or. en

Amendment 165
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

34 a. Stresses that if clauses concerning democracy and Human Rights have been included in political framework

agreements with third countries since 1995 and in agreements concluded with more than 120 countries, these clauses have for the most part hit a dead end; notes that, for example, despite increasing attacks on Human Rights defenders in Israel, particularly through laws on restricting access to funds, clauses on democracy and Human Rights have not been implemented;

Or. fr

Amendment 166
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

34 a. Asks the Commission not to be reluctant to use the suspension mechanism for standing agreements whenever the standard human rights clauses are repeatedly violated;

Or. en

Amendment 167
Leonidas Donskis, Marietje Schaake, Charles Goerens, Metin Kazak, Kristiina Ojula, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 35

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

35. Stresses that the application of the clause as it currently stands, for example with the Colombia/Peru Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) due to come before Parliament, provides an opportunity for the European Parliament itself to explore the

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potential for setting human rights benchmarks in advance of ratification, in order to achieve concrete and verifiable progress in respect for human rights; encourages the Commission to draft a new 'model clause' referring to the parties' international obligations, comprising a procedure for consultation and specifying political and legal mechanisms to be used in the event of a request for cooperation to be suspended on the grounds of repeated or systemic human rights violations in breach of international law; recommends that a clear system of sanctions *short of suspension* be developed; insists strongly on the need for Parliament to be a joint decision-maker with the Commission and the Council in this respect;

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Or. en

Amendment 168

Rui Tavares

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 35

Motion for a resolution

35. Stresses that the application of the clause as it currently stands , for example with the Colombia/Peru Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) due to come before Parliament, provides an opportunity for the European Parliament itself to explore the potential for setting human rights benchmarks in advance of ratification, in order to achieve concrete and verifiable progress in respect for human rights; **encourages** the Commission to draft a new 'model clause' referring to the parties' international obligations, comprising a procedure for consultation and specifying political and legal mechanisms to be used in the event of a request for cooperation to

Amendment

35. Stresses that the application of the clause as it currently stands , for example with the Colombia/Peru Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) due to come before Parliament, provides an opportunity for the European Parliament itself to explore the potential for setting human rights benchmarks in advance of ratification, in order to achieve concrete and verifiable progress in respect for human rights; **calls once again on** the Commission to draft a new 'model clause' referring to the parties' international obligations, comprising a procedure for consultation and specifying political and legal mechanisms to be used in the event of a request for cooperation to

be suspended on the grounds of repeated or systemic human rights violations in breach of international law; recommends that a clear system of sanctions short of suspension be developed; insists strongly on the need for Parliament to be a joint decision-maker with the Commission and the Council in this respect;

be suspended on the grounds of repeated or systemic human rights violations in breach of international law; ***is of the opinion that the enforcement mechanism of the human rights and democracy clause as requested by Parliament is the only way to ensure the genuine implementation of such clauses and should be considered as a preventive and alerting mechanism, which sets up a dialogue between the EU and the partner country, to be followed by a monitoring mechanism***; recommends that a clear system of sanctions short of suspension be developed; insists strongly on the need for Parliament to be a joint decision-maker with the Commission and the Council in this respect;

Or. en

Amendment 169 **Raimon Obiols**

Motion for a resolution **Paragraph 35**

Motion for a resolution

35. Stresses that the application of the clause as it currently stands, ***for example with the Colombia/Peru*** Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) due to come before Parliament, provides an opportunity for the European Parliament itself to explore the potential for setting human rights benchmarks in advance of ratification, in order to achieve concrete and verifiable progress in respect for human rights; encourages the Commission to draft a new ‘model clause’ referring to the parties’ international obligations, comprising a procedure for consultation and specifying political and legal mechanisms to be used in the event of a request for cooperation to be suspended on the grounds of repeated or systemic human rights violations in breach

Amendment

35 Stresses that the application of the clause as it currently stands, ***in*** Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) due to come before Parliament ***in the near future***, provides an opportunity for the European Parliament itself to explore the potential for setting human rights benchmarks in advance of ratification, in order to achieve concrete and verifiable progress in respect for human rights; encourages the Commission to draft a new ‘model clause’ referring to the parties’ international obligations, comprising a procedure for consultation and specifying political and legal mechanisms to be used in the event of a request for cooperation to be suspended on the grounds of repeated or systemic human rights violations in breach of international

of international law; recommends that a clear system of sanctions short of suspension be developed; insists strongly on the need for Parliament to be a joint decision-maker with the Commission and the Council in this respect;

law; recommends that a clear system of sanctions short of suspension be developed; insists strongly on the need for Parliament to be a joint decision-maker with the Commission and the Council in this respect;

Or. es

Amendment 170
Marietta Giannakou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 36 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

36 a. Proposes the use of objective indicators and criteria in studies of impact on human rights and their assessment.

Or. el

Amendment 171
Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37. Expects a comprehensive social and environmental chapter in all future Free Trade Agreements and, in the context of negotiations currently underway, regrets the objections to this principle expressed by some of the partners, such as India and Canada; calls for the chapter on sustainable development in agreements to be strengthened through the inclusion of a complaints procedure open to the social partners and civil society, the establishment of an independent body to settle pertinent disputes and the possibility

37. Expects a comprehensive social and environmental chapter in all future Free Trade Agreements and, in the context of negotiations currently underway, regrets the objections to this principle expressed by some of the partners, such as India and Canada; calls for the chapter on sustainable development in agreements to be strengthened through the inclusion of a complaints procedure open to the social partners and civil society, the establishment of an independent body to settle pertinent disputes and the possibility

of recourse to a dispute settlement mechanism with provision for fines and the suspension of trade benefits in the event of an aggravated breach of the environmental and labour standards concerned, equivalent to mechanisms for market access provisions;

of recourse to a dispute settlement mechanism with provision for fines and the suspension of trade benefits in the event of an aggravated breach of the environmental and labour standards concerned, equivalent to mechanisms for market access provisions; ***demands that the objectives of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) should be binding on European companies operating in countries with institutional weaknesses;***

Or. de

Amendment 172
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37

Motion for a resolution

37. Expects a comprehensive social and environmental ***chapter*** in all future Free Trade Agreements and, in the context of negotiations currently underway, regrets the objections to this principle expressed by some of the partners, such as India and Canada; calls for the chapter on sustainable development in agreements to be strengthened through the inclusion of a complaints procedure open to the social partners and civil society, the establishment of an independent body to settle pertinent disputes and the possibility of recourse to a dispute settlement mechanism with provision for fines and the suspension of trade benefits in the event of an aggravated breach of the environmental and labour standards concerned, equivalent to mechanisms for market access provisions;

Amendment

37. Expects a comprehensive ***human rights chapter with a special focus on*** social and environmental ***issues*** in all future Free Trade Agreements and, in the context of negotiations currently underway, regrets the objections to this principle expressed by some of the partners, such as India and Canada; calls for the chapter on sustainable development in agreements to be strengthened through the inclusion of a complaints procedure open to the social partners and civil society, the establishment of an independent body to settle pertinent disputes and the possibility of recourse to a dispute settlement mechanism with provision for fines and the suspension of trade benefits in the event of an aggravated breach of the environmental and labour standards concerned, equivalent to mechanisms for market access provisions;

Or. en

Amendment 173
Raimon Obiols

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37

Motion for a resolution

37. Expects a comprehensive social and environmental chapter in all future Free Trade Agreements and, in the context of negotiations currently underway, regrets the objections to this principle expressed by some of the partners, such as India and Canada; calls for the chapter on sustainable development in agreements to be strengthened through the inclusion of a complaints procedure open to the social partners and civil society, the establishment of an independent body to settle pertinent disputes and the possibility of recourse to a dispute settlement mechanism with provision for fines and the suspension of trade benefits in the event of an aggravated breach of the environmental and labour standards concerned, equivalent to mechanisms for market access provisions;

Amendment

37. Expects a comprehensive social and environmental chapter in all future Free Trade Agreements and, in the context of negotiations currently underway, regrets the objections to this principle expressed by some of the partners, such as India and Canada; calls for the chapter on sustainable development in agreements to be strengthened through the inclusion of a complaints procedure open to the social partners and civil society, the establishment of an independent body to settle pertinent disputes and the possibility of recourse to a dispute settlement mechanism with provision for fines and the suspension of trade benefits in the event of an aggravated breach of the environmental and labour standards concerned, equivalent to mechanisms for market access provisions; ***the democracy and human rights clause in GSP+ agreements must also be strengthened;***

Or. es

Amendment 174
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 a. Highlights the failure of the free trade agreements concluded by the EU with third countries, to the extent that

these have not only not allowed clauses on 'democracy and Human Rights' to be taken effectively into account and have contributed, to a great extent, through imposing liberalisation policies, to the impoverishment of the populations concerned and to the hoarding of resources by transnational companies; believes therefore that it is necessary to implement new cooperations to facilitate economic and social development of third countries according to the needs of their people;

Or. fr

Amendment 175
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 38 – introductory part

Motion for a resolution

38. Considers that the 'Arab Spring' has served to demonstrate the inadequacy of the EU's policies hitherto to effectively support people's strong desire for accountable and representative government in countries where this is denied; **welcomes therefore the Joint Communications by the Commission and the HR/VP on 'A new response to a changing Neighbourhood' and 'A partnership for democracy and shared prosperity with the Southern Mediterranean'**, and the **approach taken of shared commitments and mutual accountability, stronger conditionality, differentiation of policies, the advancing of multilateral and sub-regional cooperation and the principle of further involving civil society;**

Amendment

38. Considers that the 'Arab Spring' has served to demonstrate the inadequacy of the EU's policies hitherto to effectively support people's strong desire for accountable and representative government in countries where this is denied; **deplores in particular the policies of the EU and the Member States aimed at making certain third countries part of European Neighbourhood Policy the 'police' of EU immigration and asylum policy; whereas these migratory policies are indicative of assumptions towards the populations of southern countries;**

Or. fr

Amendment 176

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 38

Motion for a resolution

38. Considers that the ‘Arab Spring’ has served to demonstrate the inadequacy of the EU's policies hitherto to effectively support people's strong desire for accountable and representative government in countries where this is denied; welcomes therefore the Joint Communications by the Commission and the HR/VP on ‘A new response to a changing Neighbourhood’ and ‘A partnership for democracy and shared prosperity with the Southern Mediterranean’, and the approach taken of shared commitments and mutual accountability, stronger conditionality, differentiation of policies, the advancing of multilateral and sub-regional cooperation and the principle of further involving civil society;

Amendment

38. Considers that the ‘Arab Spring’ has served to demonstrate the inadequacy of the EU's policies hitherto to effectively support people's strong desire for accountable and representative government in countries where this is denied; welcomes therefore the Joint Communications by the Commission and the HR/VP on ‘A new response to a changing Neighbourhood’, ***expressing among other points, the need for the establishment of the European Endowment for Democracy***, and ‘A partnership for democracy and shared prosperity with the Southern Mediterranean’, and the approach taken of shared commitments and mutual accountability, stronger conditionality, differentiation of policies, the advancing of multilateral and sub-regional cooperation and the principle of further involving civil society;

Or. en

Amendment 177

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 38

Motion for a resolution

38. Considers that the ‘Arab Spring’ has served to demonstrate the inadequacy of the EU's policies hitherto to effectively support people's strong desire for accountable and representative government in countries where this is denied; welcomes

Amendment

38. Considers that the ‘Arab Spring’ has served to demonstrate the inadequacy of the EU's policies hitherto to effectively support people's strong desire for accountable and representative government in countries where this is denied; welcomes

therefore the Joint Communications by the Commission and the HR/VP on ‘A new response to a changing Neighbourhood’ and ‘A partnership for democracy and shared prosperity with the Southern Mediterranean’, and the approach taken of shared commitments and mutual accountability, stronger conditionality, differentiation of policies, the advancing of multilateral and sub-regional cooperation and the principle of further involving civil society;

therefore the Joint Communications by the Commission and the HR/VP on ‘A new response to a changing Neighbourhood’ and ‘A partnership for democracy and shared prosperity with the Southern Mediterranean’, and the approach taken of shared commitments and mutual accountability ***as regards the universal values of human rights, democracy and the rule of law***, stronger ***incentive-based*** conditionality, differentiation of policies, the advancing of multilateral and sub-regional cooperation and the principle of further involving civil society; ***at the same time reiterates the fact that the EU's partnership in democratization processes and economic prosperity in the South needs to run in parallel with its engagements in the Eastern neighbourhood;***

Or. en

Amendment 178

Mario Mauro, Tunne Kelam, Elena Băsescu, Anna Záborská, Carlo Casini

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 38

Motion for a resolution

38. Considers that the ‘Arab Spring’ has served to demonstrate the inadequacy of the EU's policies hitherto to effectively support people's strong desire for accountable and representative government in countries where this is denied; welcomes therefore the Joint Communications by the Commission and the HR/VP on ‘A new response to a changing Neighbourhood’ and ‘A partnership for democracy and shared prosperity with the Southern Mediterranean’, and the approach taken of shared commitments and mutual accountability, stronger conditionality, differentiation of policies, the advancing of

Amendment

38. Considers that the ‘Arab Spring’ has served to demonstrate the inadequacy of the EU's policies hitherto to effectively support people's strong desire for accountable and representative government in countries where this is denied; welcomes therefore the Joint Communications by the Commission and the HR/VP on ‘A new response to a changing Neighbourhood’ and ‘A partnership for democracy and shared prosperity with the Southern Mediterranean’, and the approach taken of shared commitments and mutual accountability, stronger conditionality, differentiation of policies, the advancing of

multilateral and sub-regional cooperation and the principle of further involving civil society;

multilateral and sub-regional cooperation and the principle of further involving civil society; ***takes the opportunity to stress that the 'Arab Spring' would become a paradox and fail in the face of the expectations of many if it developed in a direction that denies the rights of religious minorities, including Christians;***

Or. en

Amendment 179

Rui Tavares

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 38

Motion for a resolution

38. Considers that the 'Arab Spring' has served to demonstrate the inadequacy of the EU's policies hitherto to effectively support people's strong desire for accountable and representative government in countries where this is denied; welcomes therefore the Joint Communications by the Commission and the HR/VP on 'A new response to a changing Neighbourhood' and 'A partnership for democracy and shared prosperity with the Southern Mediterranean', and the approach taken of shared commitments and mutual accountability, stronger conditionality, differentiation of policies, the advancing of multilateral and sub-regional cooperation and the principle of further involving civil society;

Amendment

38. Considers that the 'Arab Spring' has served to demonstrate the inadequacy of the EU's policies hitherto to effectively support people's strong desire for ***democracy, respect for fundamental freedoms, justice***, accountable and representative government in countries where this is denied; welcomes therefore the Joint Communications by the Commission and the HR/VP on 'A new response to a changing Neighbourhood' and 'A partnership for democracy and shared prosperity with the Southern Mediterranean', and the approach taken of shared commitments and mutual accountability, stronger conditionality, differentiation of policies, the advancing of multilateral and sub-regional cooperation and the principle of further involving civil society;

Or. en

Amendment 180

Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Edward McMillan-Scott, Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 38 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

38 a. Considers that since the "Arab Spring" began, in-country NGOs and organised citizens are playing a critical role in mobilising people and promoting their participation in public life both conducting education and awareness-raising campaigns aimed at informing people of their rights and empowering them to understand and embrace democracy; stresses that, in order to reinforce these processes, priorities on the political agenda for future reforms will need to stem from participatory consultations with in-country NGOs and civil rights advocates;

Or. en

Amendment 181

Konrad Szymański

on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 38 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

38 a. Stresses the need to also support young democracies and democratic movements in the Eastern Neighbourhood; continues to be concerned in particular about the situation in Belarus, and urges the EEAS and EU Member States to continue to support civil society activists in the country;

Or. en

Amendment 182
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 38 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

38 a. Considers that the EU must not forget its responsibility in the economic, social and political situation leading to popular uprising and must assist the institutions in these countries in carrying out checks on their foreign debts, particularly European debts, in order to identify the illegal portion of these debts which did not benefit the population and to implement all mechanisms allowing them to be written off quickly; is concerned about the reaction time of the European Institutions to the particularly worrying economic and social situation in regions in central and southern Tunisia, particularly in the Gafsa Mining Basin; is particularly concerned about the continuity of the guidelines of the partners in relation to the discussions carried out with Zine El Abidine Ben Ali, in particular on keeping provisions concerning the liberalisation of the agricultural sector and air transport in current negotiations; would like the Commission to be able to support, without delay, the emergency financial and social measures in these regions including helping to relaunch tourism;

Or. fr

Amendment 183
Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 38 a (new)

38 a. Welcomes the new approach to the ENP aiming for greater support for partners engaged in building deep and sustainable democracy, support for inclusive economic development, and strengthening the two regional dimensions of the European Neighbourhood Policy;

Or. en

Amendment 184

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 39

39. *Reiterates its view that* a performance-based ‘more for more’ approach ***also implies ‘less for less’***; insists that differentiation should be based on clearly defined criteria and regularly monitored benchmarks and proposes that the benchmarks laid down in the Communications be considered as objectives, to be complemented by more specific, measurable, achievable, time-bound benchmarks; calls on the EEAS and the Commission to provide a clear and adequate methodology to assess the record of the ENP countries concerning respect for and promotion of democracy and human rights, to deliver regular reports to form the basis for the allocation of funds under the ‘more for more’ approach, and to include these evaluations in the annual progress reports;

39. *Supports* a performance-based ‘more for more’ approach ***in line with the new vision of the ENP***; insists that differentiation should be based on clearly defined criteria and regularly monitored benchmarks and proposes that the benchmarks laid down in the Communications be considered as objectives, to be complemented by more specific, measurable, achievable, time-bound benchmarks; calls on the EEAS and the Commission to provide a clear and adequate methodology to assess the record of the ENP countries concerning respect for and promotion of democracy and human rights, to deliver regular reports to form the basis for the allocation of funds under the ‘more for more’ approach, and to include these evaluations in the annual progress reports; ***stresses that the funds that are not able to be allocated or transferred due to a negative evaluation, should be redistributed to other projects undertaken in European Neighbourhood***

partner countries, both in the Southern and Eastern dimension;

Or. en

Amendment 185

Kinga Gál

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance, and insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’;

Amendment

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance, and insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’; ***welcomes in this respect welcomes all the EU programmes that aim at training young professionals and simplifying student exchange programmes for third country nationals as these contribute effectively to the development of civil society;***

Or. en

Amendment 186

Leonidas Donskis

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance, ***and insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’;***

Amendment

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance; ***strongly supports greater engagement with civil society in these processes, both in terms of ever-greater outreach and a stronger emphasis on including the views***

of civil society in policy-making;

Or. en

Amendment 187

Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance, and insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’;

Amendment

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance ***and societal transformation, recognising the need to include representatives of women's and minority groups in such processes, and*** insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’;

Or. en

Amendment 188

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance, and insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’;

Amendment

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation ***considering all parts of society,*** in and contribution to processes of governance, and insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’;

Or. en

Amendment 189
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance, and insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’;

Amendment

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance, and insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’; ***underlines the need for an independent structural and financial support for civil society which should be allocated with no interference from the state;***

Or. en

Amendment 190
Rui Tavares
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance, and insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’;

Amendment

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance, and insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’; ***considers that, as for the UPR process within the UNHRC, local and international civil society actors should be involved in the Commission's ENP progress reports by delivering separately their own assessment to be added to these reports;***

Amendment 191
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance, and insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’;

Amendment

40. Emphasises the crucial importance of active civil society participation in and contribution to processes of governance, and insists that, in future, civil society must be engaged so as to contribute directly through an institutionalised ‘civil society monitoring mechanism’; ***welcomes the establishment of the Civil Society Facility (CSF), and calls for substantial funding for it in the forthcoming Multi-annual Financial Framework;***

Amendment 192
Ana Miranda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

41 a. Considers non-violent methodology of peaceful activism and civil protest to be the most appropriate for the defence and promotion of fundamental human rights, especially given the global relevance, particularly in the Middle East and North Africa but also in Europe, of the 'indignados' movement; believes that the promotion and support of non-violence reflects an international value that should constitute a priority for the European Union's human rights and democracy

polices, particularly in consideration of the non-violent methodology offering the most appropriate means and outcomes for the prevention of conflict and the support for democracy, the rule of law, and civil society around the world; proposes to give non-violence a central role of relevance and political weight in the internal and external policies of the European Union with support given to those initiatives that can sustain and develop non-violent and peaceful activism around the world with the dissemination of practical assistance to support non-violent activists and human rights defenders;

Or. en

Amendment 193

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 43

Motion for a resolution

43. Welcomes the Commission's Communication on an Agenda for Change and its emphasis on the intertwined nature of the objectives of development, democracy, human rights, good governance and security; welcomes the enhanced focus on partner countries' commitments in determining the mix of instruments and modalities at country level; welcomes the translation of this policy into the Commission's Communication on The Future Approach to Budget Support to Third Countries, which states that general budget support will only be provided when partner countries commit to meeting international human rights and democracy standards; calls on the Commission and the EEAS to translate this policy framework into concrete, operational, time-bound and

Amendment

43. Welcomes the Commission's Communication on an Agenda for Change and its emphasis on the intertwined nature of the objectives of development, democracy, human rights, good governance and security; welcomes the enhanced focus on partner countries' commitments in determining the mix of instruments and modalities at country level; ***simultaneously stresses the need to eliminate current and avoid future double standards;*** welcomes the translation of this policy into the Commission's Communication on The Future Approach to Budget Support to Third Countries, which states that general budget support will only be provided when partner countries commit to meeting international human rights and democracy standards; calls on the Commission and the EEAS to

measurable activities, mainstreamed throughout the different areas of cooperation and accompanied by the necessary strengthening of institutional frameworks and administrative capacities;

translate this policy framework into concrete, operational, time-bound and measurable activities, mainstreamed throughout the different areas of cooperation and accompanied by the necessary strengthening of institutional frameworks and administrative capacities;

Or. en

Amendment 194

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 44

Motion for a resolution

44. Notes that, in order to maximise coherence and effectiveness, a strategic approach is needed to combining different geographic and thematic instruments to protect and promote human rights, based on a solid analysis of the local context; welcomes, in this respect, the commitment given in the 12 December 2011 Joint Communication on Human Rights and Democracy at the Heart of EU External Action: Towards a More Effective Approach to take the human rights country strategies into account in the programming and implementing cycles of the EU's assistance, and invites the HR/VP to draw up a more detailed methodology to implement this commitment;

Amendment

44. Notes that, in order to maximise coherence and effectiveness, a strategic approach is needed to combining different geographic and thematic instruments to protect and promote human rights, based on a solid analysis of the local context ***eliminating current and avoiding future double standards***; welcomes, in this respect, the commitment given in the 12 December 2011 Joint Communication on Human Rights and Democracy at the Heart of EU External Action: Towards a More Effective Approach to take the human rights country strategies into account in the programming and implementing cycles of the EU's assistance, and invites the HR/VP to draw up a more detailed methodology to implement this commitment;

Or. en

Amendment 195

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 44

Motion for a resolution

44. Notes that, in order to maximise coherence and effectiveness, a strategic approach is needed to combining different geographic and thematic instruments to protect and promote human rights, based on a solid analysis of the local context; welcomes, in this respect, the commitment given in the 12 December 2011 Joint Communication on Human Rights and Democracy at the Heart of EU External Action: Towards a More Effective Approach to take the human rights country strategies into account in the programming and implementing cycles of the EU's assistance, and invites the HR/VP to draw up a more detailed methodology to implement this commitment;

Amendment

44. Notes that, in order to maximise coherence and effectiveness, a strategic ***bottom-up*** approach is needed to combining different geographic and thematic instruments to protect and promote human rights, ***highlighting that one of the basic conditions for any political engagement is guaranteed food security ideally through local food production***, based on a solid analysis of the local context; welcomes, in this respect, the commitment given in the 12 December 2011 Joint Communication on Human Rights and Democracy at the Heart of EU External Action: Towards a More Effective Approach to take the human rights country strategies into account in the programming and implementing cycles of the EU's assistance, and invites the HR/VP to draw up a more detailed methodology to implement this commitment;

Or. en

Amendment 196

Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 46

Motion for a resolution

46. Welcomes the clearer definition of the objectives of the EIDHR and its updated scope which reflects the stronger focus on economic, social and cultural rights, on freedom of thought and on democracy support; appreciates the new possibility to directly award grants to finance actions in the most difficult conditions or situations, or to enhance support for human rights defenders and non-registered organisations;

Amendment

46. Welcomes the clearer definition of the objectives of the EIDHR and its updated scope which reflects the stronger focus on economic, social and cultural rights, on freedom of thought, ***conscience and religion or belief*** and on democracy support; appreciates the new possibility to directly award grants to finance actions in the most difficult conditions or situations, or to enhance support for human rights defenders and non-registered organisations;

Amendment 197
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46

Motion for a resolution

46. Welcomes the clearer definition of the objectives of the EIDHR and its updated scope which reflects the stronger focus on economic, social and cultural rights, on freedom of thought and on democracy support; appreciates the new possibility to directly award grants to finance actions in the most difficult conditions or situations, or to enhance support for human rights defenders and non-registered organisations;

Amendment

46. Welcomes the clearer definition of the objectives of the EIDHR and its updated scope which reflects the stronger focus on economic, social and cultural rights, on freedom of thought, ***conscience*** and ***religion and*** on democracy support; appreciates the new possibility to directly award grants to finance actions in the most difficult conditions or situations, or to enhance support for human rights defenders and non-registered organisations;

Amendment 198
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46 a. Emphasises the importance that these types of instrument are not to be used to interfere in the internal politics of the partner countries, particularly through the financing of political parties; whereas, as a general consideration, any exploitation of Human Rights damages the credibility of the EU and its institutions involved in the matter;

Amendment 199
Raimon Obiols

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 47

Motion for a resolution

47. Underlines the fact that Parliament's prerogatives must be respected in the programming of the EIDHR and, accordingly, firmly maintains that the Strategy Papers for *the EIDHR* cannot be regarded as implementing acts and must be adopted in accordance with the procedure set out in Article 290 TFEU on delegated acts;

Amendment

47. Underlines the fact that Parliament's prerogatives must be respected in the programming of the EIDHR and *of the other instruments, with special emphasis on human rights and democracy*; accordingly, firmly maintains that the Strategy Papers for *these instruments* cannot be regarded as implementing acts and must be adopted in accordance with the procedure set out in Article 290 TFEU on delegated acts;

Or. es

Amendment 200
Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 48

Motion for a resolution

48. Welcomes the successful result of UN General Assembly resolution 65/206 of 21 December 2010 on a moratorium on the use of the death penalty *and* the important role played by the EU in securing this victory; looks forward to a strong partnership with Member States and the EEAS on the 2012 General Assembly resolution;

Amendment

48. Welcomes the successful result of UN General Assembly resolution 65/206 of 21 December 2010 on a moratorium on the use of the death penalty, *indicating the strengthening of global support towards abolition, and a growing awareness among activists, judges, politicians and people in general; further welcomes the* important role played by the EU in securing this victory; looks forward to a strong partnership with Member States and the EEAS on the 2012 General Assembly resolution;

Amendment 201
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 48 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

48 a. Reiterates that the EU is opposed to the death penalty in all circumstances; recalls that the EU is the lead donor to civil society organisations which fight against the death penalty; asks the Commission to continue to give priority to the fight against this cruel and inhuman punishment and to keep it as a thematic priority under the EIDHR;

Or. fr

Amendment 202
Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 48 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

48 a. Calls on the EU to continue using cooperation and diplomacy towards the abolition of the death penalty in all possible forums worldwide in line with the EU Guidelines on the death penalty; concerning countries where the death penalty still exists, further calls on the EU to do its utmost for a progressive restriction leading to abolition, as well as for executions to be carried out according to international minimum standards, and also to ensure that the right to a fair trial is fully respected for each and every person facing execution, without the use

of torture and other ill-treatment used to extract confessions;

Or. en

Amendment 203

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 48 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

48 b. Stresses the importance for the EU to continue monitoring the conditions under which executions are carried out in those countries that still retain the death penalty, and to support legal and constitutional reform towards full and total abolition;

Or. en

Amendment 204

Sarah Ludford, Marietje Schaake, Leonidas Donskis

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 49 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

49 a. Welcomes the Commission's decision of 20 December 2011 to amend Regulation (EC) No 1236/2005, and thereby tightening export controls on certain drugs that can be used for executions and equipment that can be used for torture; calls on the Commission to tackle the remaining loopholes in the Regulation by introducing an end-use catch-all clause that would prohibit the export of any drug that could be used for torture or executions;

Amendment 205
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 50

Motion for a resolution

50. Notes that 60% of all individual cases of human rights violations and abuses both within and outside of armed conflict documented by Amnesty International have directly involved the use of small arms and light weapons; commends the global leadership shown by the EU in adopting a legally binding common position on arms exports in 2008, but notes the need for further attention to monitoring its implementation at EU level; urges the EU to maintain a strong position on an international Arms Trade Treaty at this year's UN Conference and to ensure that a robust, legally binding treaty is agreed;

Amendment

50. Notes that 60% of all individual cases of human rights violations and abuses both within and outside of armed conflict documented by Amnesty International have directly involved the use of small arms and light weapons; commends the global leadership shown by the EU in adopting a legally binding common position on arms exports in 2008, but notes ***that the policies of Member States on arms exports are not yet in line with its objectives; recalls*** the need for further attention to monitoring its implementation at EU level; urges the EU to maintain a strong position on an international Arms Trade Treaty at this year's UN Conference and to ensure that a robust, legally binding treaty is agreed; ***calls for the vigilance of the EU and the Member States in the use of public research programmes for security and military purposes by third countries, particularly under the 7th Research Framework Programme;***

Amendment 206
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 50

Motion for a resolution

50. Notes that 60% of all individual cases of human rights violations and abuses both within and outside of armed conflict documented by Amnesty International have directly involved the use of small arms and light weapons; commends the global leadership shown by the EU in adopting a legally binding common position on arms exports in 2008, but notes the need for further **attention to** monitoring its implementation at EU level; urges the EU to **maintain a strong position on** an international Arms Trade Treaty at this year's UN Conference and to ensure that a robust, legally binding treaty is agreed;

Amendment

50. Notes that 60% of all individual cases of human rights violations and abuses both within and outside of armed conflict documented by Amnesty International have directly involved the use of small arms and light weapons; **recognizes the particularly serious impact of small arms and light weapons on the enjoyment of children's rights and children's protection from violence**; commends the global leadership shown by the EU in adopting a legally binding common position on arms exports in 2008, but notes the need for further monitoring its implementation at EU level; urges the EU to **show leadership in the process to achieve** an international Arms Trade Treaty at this year's UN Conference and to ensure that a robust, legally binding treaty is agreed;

Or. en

Amendment 207
Kinga Gál

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 50 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

50 a. Expresses deep concerns about the use of children as soldiers; calls for immediate steps to be taken by the EU for their disarmament, rehabilitation and reintegration as a core element in the EU policies that aim at strengthening human rights, child protection and the replacement of violence with political conflict resolution mechanisms;

Or. en

Amendment 208

Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Edward McMillan-Scott, Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 51 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

51 a. Calls on all Member States to actively intervene on the issue of the human rights of detainees and the overpopulation of prisons in and outside the European Union;

Or. en

Amendment 209

Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 51 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

51 a. Calls on the HR/VP, the EEAS and Member States to actively intervene to ensure respect for the rights of detainees and address the overpopulation of prisons in and outside the European Union;

Or. en

Amendment 210

Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 51 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

51 a. Underlines the importance of recognizing gender-specific forms of torture and degrading treatments (e.g. female genital mutilation, rape) and

insists on the need for all policies and programmes to counter torture to adequately address its gender dimension;

Or. en

Amendment 211
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52

Motion for a resolution

52. Calls again on the Commission to insert into Council Regulation (EC) No 1236/2005 concerning trade in certain goods which could be used for capital punishment, torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, a ‘torture end-use’ clause, enabling Member States, on the basis of prior information, to license and thus refuse the export of any items which pose a substantial risk of being used to these ends by their destined end-users;

Amendment

52. Calls again on the Commission to insert into Council Regulation (EC) No 1236/2005 concerning trade in certain goods which could be used for capital punishment, torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, a ‘torture end-use’ clause, enabling Member States, on the basis of prior information, to license and thus refuse the export of any items which pose a substantial risk of being used to these ends by their destined end-users; *stresses the need to prohibit not only the export but also the production by all Member States of products or objects which could be used in torture; recalls the European Parliament Resolution of 15 June 2010 on the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1236/2005 of 27 June 2005 concerning trade in certain goods which could be used for capital punishment, torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment;*

Or. fr

Amendment 212
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52 a. Stresses the importance of continuing work on global practices in relation to secret detention in the context of countering terrorism; calls for the EU Member States to ensure proper follow-up to existing reports, in accordance with the positions adopted previously by the European Parliament, particularly in its resolutions on the use of European countries by the CIA for the illegal transportation and detention of prisoners;

Or. fr

Amendment 213
Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Edward McMillan-Scott

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52 a. Restore section on children's rights;

Or. en

Amendment 214
Vytautas Landsbergis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52 a. Recalls the tragic case of Sergey Magnitsky who was fighting against high-ranking corruption and was tortured to death by officials; regrets that the case is still not solved and those responsible for

Sergey Magnitsky's death have not been punished; urges Russian judicial authorities to resume the investigation by naming and punishing the guilty;

Or. en

Amendment 215
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52 a. Regrets that diplomatic assurances have failed to protect individuals expelled to a country where they are at risk of torture or other ill-treatment; recommends therefore that the EU reject diplomatic assurances, and urges EU Member States to uphold their legal duties with regards to the principle of non-refoulement;

Or. en

Amendment 216
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52 b. Highlights that the definition of slavery provided by the UN is the status or condition of a person over whom any or all of the powers attaching to the right of ownership are exercised; deplores the fact that modern forms of slavery survive including within the EU; calls for the Commission to have a much stronger policy on this subject, particularly with

regards to domestic staff, the socio-professional group the most affected by these forms of slavery;

Or. fr

Amendment 217
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 52 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

52 b. Underlines the importance of recognizing gender-specific forms of torture and degrading treatments (e.g. female genital mutilation, rape), and insists that the EU's coordinated efforts to counter torture adequately address its gender dimension;

Or. en

Amendment 218
Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53. Welcomes the EU's political commitment to supporting human rights defenders and the many positive examples of demarches, trial observations, prison visits, and other concrete actions undertaken by EU missions and delegations, but remains concerned at the lack of implementation of the EU Guidelines on Human Rights Defenders in some third countries; considers that the HR/VP should make recommendations for enhanced action to those missions where

53. Welcomes the EU's political commitment to supporting human rights defenders, *as a long-established component of the EU's human rights external relations policy*, and the many positive examples of demarches, trial observations, prison visits, and other concrete actions undertaken by EU missions and delegations, but remains concerned at the lack of implementation of the EU Guidelines on Human Rights Defenders in some third countries;

implementation has been noticeably weak;

considers that the HR/VP should make recommendations for enhanced action to those missions where implementation has been noticeably weak;

Or. en

Amendment 219
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53

Motion for a resolution

53. Welcomes the EU's political commitment to supporting human rights defenders and the many positive examples of demarches, trial observations, prison visits, and other concrete actions undertaken by EU missions and delegations, but remains concerned at the lack of implementation of the EU Guidelines on Human Rights Defenders in some third countries; considers that the HR/VP should make recommendations for enhanced action to those missions where implementation has been noticeably weak;

Amendment

53. Welcomes the EU's political commitment to supporting human rights defenders and the many positive examples of demarches, trial observations, prison visits, and other concrete actions undertaken by EU missions and delegations ***such as regular, institutionalised meetings with human rights defenders***, but remains concerned at the lack of implementation of the EU Guidelines on Human Rights Defenders in some third countries; considers that the HR/VP should make recommendations for enhanced action to those missions where implementation has been noticeably weak;

Or. en

Amendment 220
Andrzej Grzyb, Eduard Kukan, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 53 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53 a. Urges the EU and its Member States to encourage EU missions and delegations to show their support and

solidarity for the work undertaken by HRDs and their organizations, by regularly meeting and proactively engaging with them and incorporating their contributions into the development of the specific country strategies on human rights and democracy, and regularly engaging with the European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 221

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 53 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

53 b. Reiterates its call on the EU to systematically raise individual cases of HRDs in the on-going human rights dialogues it has with those third countries where human rights defenders continue to suffer harassment and attacks;

Or. en

Amendment 222

Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 55

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

55. Reiterates its call for greater inter-institutional cooperation on human rights defenders; considers that the EU's response capacity and the coherence between the actions of the different institutions on urgent crises for human rights defenders would be well served by a shared alert

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system based on focal points, and encourages the **Council** and Commission to explore this avenue further;

system based on focal points, and encourages the **EEAS** and **the** Commission to explore this avenue further **with the European Parliament**;

Or. en

Amendment 223

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 55

Motion for a resolution

55. Reiterates its call for greater inter-institutional cooperation on human rights defenders; considers that the EU's response capacity and the coherence between the actions of the different institutions on urgent crises for human rights defenders would be well served by a shared alert system based on focal points, and encourages the Council and Commission to explore this avenue further;

Amendment

55. Reiterates its call for greater inter-institutional cooperation on human rights defenders; considers that the EU's response capacity and the coherence between the actions of the different institutions on urgent crises for human rights defenders would be well served by a shared alert system based on focal points, and encourages the Council and Commission to explore this avenue further; ***stresses the important role of the Sakharov Prize Network in this and other areas; welcomes the initiative to move the idea of the Network further through, among other activities, the Sakharov Network Conference organised in the European Parliament on 23 November 2011; calls on all EU institutions to exercise greater involvement and cooperation;***

Or. en

Amendment 224

Ramon Tremosa i Balcells

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 55 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

55 a. Reaffirms the commitment given in the Report on Human Rights in the World 2007, and urges the Commission to finally follow up without delay, with the necessary initiatives and financial commitments, the 2007 objectives whereby the European Parliament considered "non-violence as the most appropriate means of ensuring that fundamental human rights are enjoyed, upheld, promoted and respected" believing that "its promotion should constitute a priority objective in EU human rights and democracy policy";

Or. en

**Amendment 225
Tunne Kelam**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 55 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

55 a. Welcomes the reference to the Sakharov Prize in the Annual report on Human Rights; nevertheless regrets the mere descriptive nature of the paragraph and therefore repeats its call on the Council and the Commission to stay in touch with the Sakharov Prize candidates and laureates to ensure continuous dialogue and monitoring of the situation of human rights in respective countries and to offer protection to those being acutely persecuted, and to report back on this to the European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 226
Ramon Tremosa i Balcells

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 55 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

55 b. Considers the Gandhian non-violent methodology of peaceful activism and civil protest to be the most appropriate for the defence and promotion of fundamental human rights, especially given the long history of non-violent activism in European history and its contemporary global relevance, particularly in the Middle East and North Africa; believes that the promotion and support of non-violence reflects an international value that should constitute a priority for the European Union's human rights and democracy policies, particularly in consideration of the non-violent methodology offering the most appropriate means and outcomes for the prevention of conflict and the support for democracy, the rule of law, and civil society around the world; proposes to give non-violence a central role of relevance and political weight in the internal and external policies of the European Union with support given to those initiatives that can sustain and develop non-violent and peaceful activism around the world with the dissemination of practical assistance to support non-violent activists and human rights defenders;

Or. en

Amendment 227
Ramon Tremosa i Balcells

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 55 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

55 c. Calls for a European Conference on Non-Violence to be convened in 2014 and that 2015 be designated 'The European Year of Non-Violence'; calls on the Member States to endeavour, under the auspices of the United Nations, to ensure that the 'Decade of Non-Violence 2010-2020' is proclaimed;

Or. en

Amendment 228
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 17

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Gender

Women and Human Rights

Or. en

Amendment 229
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 56

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

56. Highlights the distinctive roles, experiences and contributions of women in the context of peace and security; condemns the use of sexual violence in countries such as the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), and calls for zero tolerance for its perpetrators, particularly among military and police forces in EU-mandated missions and operations;

56. Highlights the distinctive roles, experiences and contributions of women in the context of peace and security; condemns the use of sexual violence in countries such as the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), and calls for zero tolerance for its perpetrators, particularly among military and police forces in EU-mandated missions and operations; ***and stresses the importance of ensuring***

victims access to multi-disciplinary holistic rehabilitation services that include any necessary combination of medical and psychological care as well as legal, social, communal, vocational, educational services, and interim economic support;

Or. en

Amendment 230

Leonidas Donskis, Sarah Ludford, Charles Goerens

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 57 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

57 a. Is concerned that in Egypt, the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces (SCAF) has failed to conduct an investigation into reports of sexual assault of female protestors, including the so-called 'virginity checks' and death threats against female protestors;

Or. en

Amendment 231

Leonidas Donskis, Marietje Schaake, Charles Goerens, Metin Kazak, Kristiina Ojula, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 58

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

58. Welcomes the *indefatigable championing of* women's empowerment by the HR/VP and calls on her to institutionalise the EU Inter-institutional Informal Task Force on Women, Peace and Security (WPS) by providing it with a full-time chair, who will also act as the gender

58. Welcomes the *emphasis put on* women's empowerment by the HR/VP and calls on her to institutionalise the EU Inter-institutional Informal Task Force on Women, Peace and Security (WPS) by providing it with a full-time chair, who will also act as the gender focal point in the

focal point in the EEAS, as part of allocating adequate human and financial resources to its task;

EEAS, as part of allocating adequate human and financial resources to its task;

Or. en

Amendment 232
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 58 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

58 a. Whereas violence towards women is expressed psychologically through a dominating relationship in society and through the distribution of degrading images of women; highlights that the role of the Commission and the Member States in this area, both within and outside the EU, cannot be limited to combating violence towards women in all forms: whether physical, psychological, social, financial and that priority must be given to non-gender based education for girls and boys and from the youngest possible age, in the battle against gender stereotypes;

Or. fr

Amendment 233
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 59

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

59. Calls on the HR/VP to promote equal opportunities in the EEAS, as set out in the Staff Regulations; ***urges the HR/VP and the Member States to propose high-level***

59. Calls on the HR/VP to promote equal opportunities in the EEAS, as set out in the Staff Regulations; welcomes the progress made in the context of CSDP missions in

women candidates for leadership functions in the EEAS and Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) missions; welcomes the progress made in the context of CSDP missions in the appointment of Gender Advisors in almost all missions and in providing in-mission training; calls on the Council to include a reference to UNSCR 1325 in Council decisions establishing mission mandates; recommends that Member States provide all military and seconded civilian staff with standardised gender training modules prior to the missions;

the appointment of Gender Advisors in almost all missions and in providing in-mission training; calls on the Council to include a reference to UNSCR 1325 in Council decisions establishing mission mandates; recommends that Member States provide all military and seconded civilian staff with standardised gender training modules prior to the missions;

Or. en

Amendment 234

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution Paragraph 59

Motion for a resolution

59. Calls on the HR/VP to promote equal opportunities in the EEAS, as set out in the Staff Regulations; urges the HR/VP and the Member States to propose high-level women candidates for leadership functions in the EEAS and Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) missions; welcomes the progress made in the context of CSDP missions in the appointment of Gender Advisors in almost all missions and in providing in-mission training; calls on the Council to include a reference to UNSCR 1325 in Council decisions establishing mission mandates; recommends that Member States provide all military and seconded civilian staff with standardised gender training modules prior to the missions;

Amendment

59. Calls on the HR/VP to promote equal ***geographically and gender-balanced*** opportunities in the EEAS, as set out in the Staff Regulations; urges the HR/VP and the Member States to propose high-level women candidates for leadership functions in the EEAS and Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) missions; welcomes the progress made in the context of CSDP missions in the appointment of Gender Advisors in almost all missions and in providing in-mission training; calls on the Council to include a reference to UNSCR 1325 in Council decisions establishing mission mandates; recommends that Member States provide all military and seconded civilian staff with standardised gender training modules prior to the missions;

Or. en

Amendment 235
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 60

Motion for a resolution

60. Welcomes the adoption of the landmark Convention by the Council of Europe on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence, creating a comprehensive framework to prevent violence, protect victims and end impunity, and calls on all Member States to quickly sign and ratify this Convention;

Amendment

60. Welcomes the adoption of the landmark Convention by the Council of Europe on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence, creating a comprehensive framework to prevent violence, protect victims and end impunity, and calls on all Member States ***and the European Union*** to quickly sign and ratify this Convention;

Or. en

Amendment 236
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 60

Motion for a resolution

60. Welcomes the adoption of the landmark Convention by the Council of Europe on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence, creating a comprehensive framework to prevent violence, protect victims and end impunity, and calls on all Member States to quickly sign and ratify this Convention;

Amendment

60. Welcomes the adoption of the landmark Convention by the Council of Europe on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence, creating a comprehensive framework to prevent violence, protect victims and end impunity, and calls on all Member States ***and the European Union*** to quickly sign and ratify this Convention;

Or. en

Amendment 237
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 61

Motion for a resolution

61. Strongly condemns female genital mutilation (FGM) as a **barbarian** breach of the bodily integrity of women and girls; firmly rejects any reference to cultural, traditional or religious practice as a mitigating factor; urges the Commission to pay specific attention to such traditional harmful practices in its strategy to combat violence against women;

Amendment

61. Strongly condemns female genital mutilation (FGM) as a **barbaric** breach of the bodily integrity of women and girls, ***emphasising the fact that this practice is both a gender issue and a human rights violation related to physical integrity***; firmly rejects any reference to cultural, traditional or religious practice as a mitigating factor; urges the Commission to pay specific attention to such traditional harmful practices in its strategy to combat violence against women; ***calls on the Council, the Commission and Member States to promote the ratification and implementation by African Union Member States of the African Union Protocol on the rights of Women in Africa***;

Or. en

Amendment 238
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 61

Motion for a resolution

61. Strongly condemns female genital mutilation (FGM) as a barbarian breach of the bodily integrity of women and girls; firmly rejects any reference to cultural, traditional or religious practice as a mitigating factor; urges the Commission to pay specific attention to such traditional harmful practices in its strategy to combat violence against women;

Amendment

61. Strongly condemns female genital mutilation (FGM) as a barbarian breach of the bodily integrity of women and girls; firmly rejects any reference to cultural, traditional or religious practice as a mitigating factor; urges the Commission to pay specific attention to such traditional harmful practices in its strategy to combat violence against women; ***equally condemns and calls for specific measures to counter cruel, inhuman and degrading***

treatments such as forced and sex-selective abortion and forced sterilization;

Or. en

Amendment 239

Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Edward McMillan-Scott, Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 61

Motion for a resolution

61. Strongly condemns female genital mutilation (FGM) as a ***barbarian breach*** of the ***bodily integrity of women and girls***; ***firmly rejects any reference to cultural, traditional or religious practice as a mitigating factor***; urges the Commission to ***pay specific attention to such traditional harmful practices in its strategy to combat violence against women***;

Amendment

61. Strongly condemns female genital mutilation (FGM) as a ***flagrant violation*** of the ***fundamental human right to physical integrity, which must be combated with legislation banning the practice***; ***congratulates African Heads of State for their adoption, at the African Union Summit of July 2011, of a Decision in support of a United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) Resolution banning FGM worldwide, as a demonstration of the highest degree of political will and commitment to extend all efforts to bring an end to the practice***; urges the ***66th Session of the UNGA to adopt a Resolution that fulfils these aspirations; emphasizes the need for the Commission to provide the means necessary to support the adoption and effective implementation both within and outside the EU of an international ban and of national laws aimed at the elimination of FGM, including outreach to ensure knowledge of the law, mechanisms to facilitate reporting and prevention, prosecution of presumed offenders, assistance to victims, and sufficient allocation of resources; and requests the EEAS to include this issue in the development and implementation of the human rights country strategies***;

Or. en

Amendment 240
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 61

Motion for a resolution

61. Strongly condemns female genital mutilation (FGM) as a **barbarian breach** of the **bodily integrity of women and girls**; **firmly rejects any reference to cultural, traditional or religious practice as a mitigating factor**; urges the Commission to **pay specific attention to such traditional harmful practices in its strategy to combat violence against women**;

Amendment

61. Strongly condemns female genital mutilation (FGM) as a **flagrant violation** of the **fundamental human right to physical integrity, which must be combated with legislation banning the practice**; **congratulates African Heads of State for their adoption, at the African Union Summit of July 2011, of a Decision in support of a United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) Resolution banning FGM worldwide, as a demonstration of the highest degree of political will and commitment to extend all efforts to bring an end to the practice**; urges the **66th Session of the UNGA to adopt a Resolution that fulfils these aspirations**; **emphasizes the need for the Commission to provide the means necessary to support the adoption and effective implementation both within and outside the EU of an international ban and of national laws aimed at the elimination of FGM, including outreach to ensure knowledge of the law, mechanisms to facilitate reporting and prevention, prosecution of presumed offenders, assistance to victims, and sufficient allocation of resources**; and **requests the EEAS to include this matter in the development and implementation of the human rights country strategies**;

Or. en

Amendment 241
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 61

Motion for a resolution

61. Strongly condemns female genital mutilation (FGM) as a **barbarian breach** of the **bodily** integrity of women and girls; firmly rejects any reference to cultural, traditional or religious practice as a mitigating factor; urges the Commission to pay specific attention to such **traditional** harmful practices in its strategy to combat violence against women;

Amendment

61. Strongly condemns female genital mutilation (FGM) as a **violation** of the **right to body** integrity of women and girls **that perpetuates gender discrimination**; firmly rejects any reference to cultural, traditional or religious practice as a mitigating factor; urges the Commission to pay specific attention to such harmful practices in its strategy to combat violence against women ; **calls on the EEAS to develop a specific toolkit on this issue as part of its implementation strategy of the EU Guidelines on children's rights and violence against women ; reiterates the need for coherence between EU internal and external policies on violence against women, including FGM**;

Or. en

Amendment 242
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 61

Motion for a resolution

61. Strongly condemns female genital mutilation (FGM) as a barbarian breach of the bodily integrity of women and girls; firmly rejects any reference to cultural, traditional or religious practice as a mitigating factor; urges the Commission to pay specific attention to such **traditional** harmful practices in its strategy to combat violence against women;

Amendment

61. Strongly condemns female genital mutilation (FGM) as **an anachronistic practice and** a barbarian breach of the bodily integrity of women and girls; firmly rejects any reference to cultural, traditional or religious practice as a mitigating factor; urges the Commission to pay specific attention to such harmful practices in its strategy to combat violence against women;

Or. en

Amendment 243

Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 62

Motion for a resolution

62. Calls on the Council to include the **issue** of ‘forced marriages’ in the EU guidelines on violence against women and girls; encourages the Commission and the Council to develop data-gathering methods and indicators on **this phenomenon**, and encourages the EEAS to include **this issue** in the development and implementation of the human rights country strategies; requests that Member States consider a common definition, the establishment of national action plans, and the exchange of good practices;

Amendment

62. Calls on the Council to include the **issues** of ‘forced marriages’ **and of "gender-selected" abortion** in the EU guidelines on violence against women and girls; encourages the Commission and the Council to develop data-gathering methods and indicators on **these phenomena**, and encourages the EEAS to include **these issues** in the development and implementation of the human rights country strategies; **on the issue of 'forced marriages'** requests that Member States consider a common definition, the establishment of national action plans, and the exchange of good practices;

Or. en

Amendment 244

Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 62

Motion for a resolution

62. **Calls** on the Council to include **the issue of** ‘forced marriages’ in the EU guidelines on violence against women and girls; encourages the Commission and the Council to develop data-gathering methods and indicators **on this phenomenon**, and encourages the EEAS to include this issue in the development and implementation of the human rights country strategies; requests that Member States **consider a**

Amendment

62. **Strongly condemns forced marriage, a violation of human rights as stated in article 16 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; calls** on the Council to include forced marriages in the EU guidelines on violence against women and girls; encourages the Commission and the Council to develop data-gathering methods and indicators, and encourages the EEAS to include this issue in the development

common definition, the establishment of national action plans, and the exchange of good practices;

and implementation of the human rights country strategies; requests that Member States ***adopt and enforce legislation banning forced marriage and develop*** a common definition, the establishment of national action plans, and the exchange of good practices.

Or. en

Amendment 245
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 62 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

62 a. Welcomes the adoption on 19 December 2011 by the UN General Assembly of the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a Communications Procedure and calls on Member States to sign and ratify this Protocol;

Or. en

Amendment 246
Nicole Kiil-Nielsen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 62 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

62 a. Recalls that the UN Human Rights Council resolution on preventable maternal mortality and morbidity and human rights and the Millennium Development Goals reaffirm that access to information, to education and to health care are basic human rights; stresses that the EU should therefore play an

important role to prevent women from dying in pregnancy; demands that the Cairo programme of Action be implemented in its human rights and development policy, to promote gender equality and women and children's rights, including sexual and reproductive health and rights;

Or. en

Amendment 247

Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 62 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

62 b. Calls on the Council and Commission to accelerate efforts to achieve universal ratification of the Convention on the Rights of the Child and its Optional Protocols and promote their effective implementation;

Or. en

Amendment 248

Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 62 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

62 c. Calls for decisive efforts to advance implementation of the EU Guidelines on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of the Child and the EU's strategy to combat all Forms of Violence against Children through the identification of clear benchmarks for global and regional advocacy and effective mainstreaming in

policy dialogue and bi- and multi-lateral cooperation;

Or. en

Amendment 249

Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 62 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

62 d. Calls on the HR/VP (and/or the European External Action Service) to include in EU Annual Reports on Human Rights a section on children's rights, with information of implementation of relevant Human Rights Guidelines including on violence against children;

Or. en

Amendment 250

Konrad Szymański

Motion for a resolution

Subheading 18

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Discrimination

Freedom of religion

Or. en

Amendment 251

Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 63

Motion for a resolution

63. **Urges** the Council and Commission to develop a toolkit on the advancement of the right to freedom of religion or belief in the EU's external policy, including mechanisms to identify infringements, and to involve civil society organisations in its preparation; welcomes the EU's action in various UN forums against intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief and its unwavering and principled stance against the resolutions on combating defamation of religions; stresses in particular the importance of engaging in a constructive dialogue with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) on this issue;

Amendment

63. **Reiterates its call on** the Council and Commission to **urgently** develop a toolkit on the advancement of the right to freedom of religion or belief in the EU's external policy, including mechanisms to identify infringements, and to involve civil society organisations in its preparation; welcomes the ***inclusion of the aspect of freedom of religion or belief in the human rights training provided to EU staff***; **welcomes the** EU's action in various UN forums against intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief and its unwavering and principled stance against the resolutions on combating defamation of religions; stresses in particular the importance of engaging in a constructive dialogue with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) on this issue; ***reiterates the need to take into account the aspect of religion and the dialogue with religious authorities and bodies engaged in inter-faith dialogue in conflict prevention, conflict resolution and reconciliation***; **calls on the Council and the Commission to pay special attention to implementing the right to freedom of religion of belief in candidate countries and ENP countries, especially in the light of the Arab spring**;

Or. en

Amendment 252

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 63

Motion for a resolution

63. **Urges** the Council and Commission to develop a toolkit on the advancement of

Amendment

63. **Condemns severely any persecution based on religion or belief, paying special**

the right to freedom of religion or belief in the EU's external policy, including mechanisms to identify infringements, and to involve civil society organisations in its preparation; welcomes the EU's action in various UN forums against intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief and its unwavering and principled stance against the resolutions on combating defamation of religions; stresses in particular the importance of engaging in a constructive dialogue with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) on this issue;

attention to the situation of Christians in the world; urges the Council and Commission to develop a toolkit on the advancement of the right to freedom of religion or belief in the EU's external policy, including mechanisms to identify infringements, and to involve civil society organisations in its preparation; welcomes the EU's action in various UN forums against intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief and its unwavering and principled stance against the resolutions on combating defamation of religions; ***highlights the fact that freedom of religion as a universal human right applies to all kinds of faith and this freedom implies that everyone can publicly profess and promote their faith, possibly change it and confess to having no faith;*** stresses in particular the importance of engaging in a constructive dialogue with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) on this issue;

Or. en

Amendment 253

Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 63

Motion for a resolution

63. Urges the Council and Commission to develop a toolkit on the advancement of the right to freedom of religion or belief in the EU's external policy, including mechanisms to identify infringements, and to involve civil society organisations in its preparation; welcomes the EU's action in various UN forums against intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief and its unwavering and principled stance ***against*** the resolutions on combating defamation of religions; stresses in

Amendment

63. Urges the Council and Commission to develop a toolkit on the advancement of the right to freedom of religion or belief in the EU's external policy, including mechanisms to identify infringements ***and actions that the EU should undertake in these cases***, and to involve civil society organisations in its preparation; welcomes the EU's action in various UN forums against intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief and its unwavering and principled stance ***in***

particular the importance of engaging in a constructive dialogue with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) on this issue;

favour of the resolutions on combating defamation of religions; stresses in particular the importance of engaging in a constructive dialogue with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) on this issue;

Or. en

Amendment 254
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 63

Motion for a resolution

63. Urges the Council and Commission to develop a toolkit on the advancement of the right to freedom of religion or belief in the EU's external policy, including mechanisms to identify infringements, and to involve civil society organisations in its preparation; welcomes the EU's action in various UN forums against intolerance and discrimination based on religion *or belief and its unwavering and principled stance against the resolutions on combating defamation of religions; stresses in particular the importance of engaging in a constructive dialogue with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) on this issue;*

Amendment

63. Urges the Council and Commission to develop a toolkit on the advancement of the right to freedom of *thought, conscience and* religion or belief in the EU's external policy, including mechanisms to identify infringements, and to involve civil society organisations in its preparation; welcomes the EU's action in various UN forums against intolerance and discrimination based on *the freedom of thought, conscience and* religion;

Or. fr

Amendment 255
Konrad Szymański
on behalf of the ECR Group
Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 63

Motion for a resolution

63. Urges the Council and Commission to develop a toolkit on the advancement of the right to freedom of religion or belief in the EU's external policy, including mechanisms to identify infringements, and to involve civil society organisations in its preparation; welcomes the EU's action in various UN forums against intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief and its unwavering and principled stance against the resolutions on combating defamation of religions; stresses in particular the importance of engaging in a constructive dialogue with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) on this issue;

Amendment

63. Urges the Council and Commission to develop a toolkit on the advancement of the right to freedom of religion or belief in the EU's external policy, including mechanisms to identify ***and address*** infringements, and to involve ***the European Parliament***, civil society organisations ***and academics*** in its preparation, ***use and evaluation***; welcomes the EU's action in various UN forums against intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief and its unwavering and principled stance against the resolutions on combating defamation of religions; stresses in particular the importance of engaging in a constructive dialogue with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) on this issue;

Or. en

Amendment 256

Mario Mauro, Tunne Kelam, Elena Băsescu, Anna Záborská, Carlo Casini

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 63

Motion for a resolution

63. Urges the Council and Commission to develop a toolkit on the advancement of the right to freedom of religion or belief in the EU's external policy, including mechanisms to identify infringements, and to involve civil society organisations in its preparation; welcomes the EU's action in various UN forums against intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief and its unwavering and principled stance against the resolutions on combating defamation of religions; stresses in particular the importance of engaging in a constructive dialogue with the

Amendment

63. Urges the Council and Commission to develop a toolkit on the advancement of the right to freedom of religion or belief in the EU's external policy, including ***instruments to concretely support all religious and ethnic minorities in the different areas and to foresee*** mechanisms to identify infringements, and to involve civil society organisations in its preparation; welcomes the EU's action in various UN forums against intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief and its unwavering and principled stance against the resolutions on combating

Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) on this issue;

defamation of religions; stresses in particular the importance of engaging in a constructive dialogue with the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) on this issue;

Or. en

Amendment 257

Kinga Gál

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 63 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63 a. Emphasises that traditional national minority communities have specific needs different from other minority groups and there is a need to safeguard equal treatment of these minorities with regard to education, healthcare, social services and other public services, furthermore to promote in all areas of economic, social, political and cultural life full and effective equality between persons belonging to a national minority and those belonging to the majority;

Or. en

Amendment 258

Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 63 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63 a. Expresses its serious concerns on the upsurge in violence, including murders, against lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people in a certain number of countries in all continents;

Amendment 259
Konrad Szymański

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 63 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63 a. Restates its concern regarding the full and effective respect of the right to freedom of religion for all religious minorities in a number of third countries; in this context stresses the fact that freedom of worship is but one aspect of the right to freedom of religion, as the latter includes the freedom to change one's religion and to also manifest it in teaching, practice and observance, at the individual, collective, private, public and institutional level; in this context stresses that the public element is central to religious freedom, and that to prevent Christian believers from expressing their faith publicly, while reducing their religion to a private phenomenon, gravely violates their right to religious freedom;

Or. en

Amendment 260
Konrad Szymański
on behalf of the ECR Group
Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 63 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63 a. In the light of recent events in countries such as Nigeria, Egypt and Indonesia, urges the EEAS and the EU

Member States to put in place concrete actions to help prevent the emergence of a cycle of violence; recognises the growing need for conflict transformation and reconciliatory efforts including inter-faith dialogue at various levels and urges the EU to address discriminatory and inflammatory content in education material and in the media in its dialogues with third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 261

Andrzej Grzyb, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 63 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63 a. Is convinced that the right to freedom of religion or belief is one of the fundamental principles of all modern democracies and contributes to creating the conditions required for peace, democratisation and development and for the promotion of other human rights; in this light remains deeply concerned that discrimination based on religion or belief still exists in all regions of the world, and that persons belonging to particular religious communities, including religious minorities, continue to be denied their human rights in many countries such as North Korea, Iran, Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, the Maldives, Yemen, Iraq, Uzbekistan, Laos, Pakistan, Eritrea, Egypt, and Nigeria; remains deeply concerned about legislation on defamation of religion and blasphemy laws that limits freedom of expression and are particularly used against religious minorities; in this respect welcomes the increased attention given to the fundamental right to freedom of religion

or belief, the Council's confirmation of its conclusions on freedom of Religion or Belief in 2009, and the EU's promise to enhance action to promote and protect this right in its external policy;

Or. en

Amendment 262
Konrad Szymański

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 63 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63 b. Underlines the fact that obstacles still exist in many parts of the world that impede the free profession of faith, and calls on HR/VP Ashton and on the European Commission to insist on such issues in the context of its relevant initiatives concerning human rights;

Or. en

Amendment 263
Konrad Szymański
on behalf of the ECR Group
Peter van Dalen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 63 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63 b. Maintains that freedom of assembly is a vital aspect of the right to freedom of religion or belief and strongly regrets that in many countries around the world religious communities are denied the right to meet together; stresses that registration of religious groups should not be an essential requirement in order to practice

a religion; is concerned about the existing obligation in many Central Asian countries and in Vietnam for religious groups to be obliged to register with a state-sanctioned system tightly controlled by the government;

Or. en

Amendment 264

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 63 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63 b. Urges the EEAS to develop a permanent capacity within the Global and Multilateral Directorate General to mainstream the issue of freedom of religion or belief across the geographical directorates and units as well as linking the issue into general human rights promotion within the same DG and advancing the issue in international and multilateral organisations; encourages the EEAS to report on an annual basis on progress on freedom of religion or belief in the world;

Or. en

Amendment 265

Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 63 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63 b. Welcomes the conclusion by the EU of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

(UNCRPD), and the adoption of the European Disability Strategy 2010-2020, in particular area of action 8; condemns any and all forms of discrimination based on disability, and calls for all states to ratify and implement the UNCRPD; points out that the EU also needs to monitor the implementation of the UNCRPD on its own territory; also regrets the EU's inaction on human rights for persons with disabilities in the context of the EU-Africa Strategy;

Or. en

Amendment 266
Konrad Szymański

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 63 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63 c. Invites the EEAS and other EU institutions to combat unacceptable practices such as forced conversions and the criminalization/punishment for cases of so-called 'apostasy', applying pressure on third countries, such as Pakistan, Iran and Saudi Arabia that still carry out such practices, so that these practices are eliminated; calls for an equally firm stance against the instrumentalisation of blasphemy laws for the purpose of persecuting members of religious minorities;

Or. en

Amendment 267
Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 63 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63 c. Calls on the EU Fundamental Rights Agency to provide Parliament with accurate and reliable data on infringements of freedom of religion or belief in the European Union, and to advise as to how these could be tackled;

Or. en

Amendment 268
Konrad Szymański

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 63 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

63 d. Considers that in third countries where religious minorities, including Christians, are faced with violations of their rights, such problems cannot be solved by protecting and isolating Christians "from" the surrounding societies and thus creating 'parallel societies', be it by the State or by any religious community, but in 'common citizenship': this means that every citizen in the areas under consideration must have equal protection and equal rights;

Or. en

Amendment 269
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 64

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

64. Commends the Council, the EEAS,

deleted

the HR/VP, the Commission and Member States on their engagement in favour of LGBT people's human rights in bilateral relations with third countries, in multilateral fora, and through the EIDHR; welcomes the reintroduction of sexual orientation as a ground for protection from extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions by the UNGA, and welcomes EU efforts to this end; calls on the Commission to advocate the withdrawal of gender identity from the list of mental and behavioural disorders in the negotiations on the 11th version of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD-11) and to seek a non-pathologising reclassification; reasserts that the principle of non-discrimination, including on grounds of sex and sexual orientation, must not be compromised in the ACP-EU partnership; reiterates its request that the Commission produce a comprehensive roadmap against homophobia, transphobia and discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity, also addressing human rights violations on these grounds in the world; calls on EU Member States to grant asylum to people fleeing persecution in countries where LGBT people are criminalised, taking into consideration applicants' well-founded fears of persecution and relying on their self-identification as lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender;

Or. en

Amendment 270
Rolandas Paksas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 64

64. Commends the Council, the EEAS, the HR/VP, the Commission and Member States on their engagement in favour of LGBT people's human rights in bilateral relations with third countries, in multilateral fora, and through the EIDHR; welcomes the reintroduction of sexual orientation as a ground for protection from extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions by the UNGA, and welcomes EU efforts to this end; calls on the Commission to advocate the withdrawal of gender identity from the list of mental and behavioural disorders in the negotiations on the 11th version of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD-11) and to seek a non-pathologising reclassification; reasserts that the principle of non-discrimination, including on grounds of sex and sexual orientation, must not be compromised in the ACP-EU partnership; reiterates its request that the Commission produce a comprehensive roadmap against homophobia, transphobia and discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity, also addressing human rights violations on these grounds in the world; calls on EU Member States to grant asylum to people fleeing persecution in countries where LGBT people are criminalised, taking into consideration applicants' well-founded fears of persecution and relying on their self-identification as lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender;

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Or. It

Amendment 271

Andrzej Grzyb, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 64

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

64. Commends the Council, the EEAS, the HR/VP, the Commission and Member States on their engagement in favour of LGBT people's human rights in bilateral relations with third countries, in multilateral fora, and through the EIDHR; welcomes the reintroduction of sexual orientation as a ground for protection from extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions by the UNGA, and welcomes EU efforts to this end; reasserts that the principle of non-discrimination, including on grounds of sex and sexual orientation, must not be compromised in the ACP-EU partnership; reiterates its request that the Commission produce a comprehensive roadmap against homophobia, transphobia and discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity, also addressing human rights violations on these grounds in the world; calls on EU Member States to grant asylum to people fleeing persecution in countries where LGBT people are criminalised, taking into consideration applicants' well-founded fears of persecution and relying on their self-identification as lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender;

Or. en

Amendment 272
Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 66

Motion for a resolution

66. Calls on the EU to encourage governments of developing countries to commit to land reform ***where relevant*** in order to secure the land titles of indigenous ***people***, especially women, and to prevent land-grabbing practices by corporations; stresses ***that it is necessary*** to protect the land, tenancy and land use rights of small local farmers and the access of local communities to natural resources; urges the EU to assert the right of access to natural resources, in particular for native and indigenous peoples, in the negotiation of trade agreements;

Amendment

66. Calls on the EU to encourage governments of developing countries to commit to land reform in order to secure the land titles of indigenous ***farmers, nomadic populations and small and medium-scale farmers***, especially women, and to prevent land-grabbing practices by corporations; stresses ***the necessity*** to protect the land, tenancy and land use rights of small local farmers and the access of local communities to natural resources, ***in order to prevent further land takeovers***; urges the EU to assert the right of access to natural resources, in particular for native and indigenous peoples, in the negotiation of trade agreements; ***encourages all Member States to follow the example of Denmark, the Netherlands and Spain and ratify ILO Convention 169 on Indigenous and Tribal peoples, in order to show their determination to provide them with tangible protection; supports current and on-going campaigns for the ratification and implementation of ILO Convention 169 by non-signatory states, particularly as a means of strengthening the rights of indigenous peoples, upholding the values of ILO Convention 169 and demonstrating the European Union's commitment to multilateralism and the United Nations;***

Or. en

Amendment 273
Ana Miranda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 66

Motion for a resolution

66. Calls on the EU to encourage governments of developing countries to commit to land reform where relevant in order to secure the land titles of indigenous people, especially women, and to prevent land-grabbing practices by corporations; stresses that it is necessary to protect the land, tenancy and land use rights of small local farmers and the access of local communities to natural resources; urges the EU to assert the right of access to natural resources, in particular for native and indigenous peoples, in the negotiation of trade agreements;

Amendment

66. Calls on the EU to encourage governments of developing countries to commit to land reform where relevant in order to secure the land titles of indigenous people, ***nomadic populations and small and medium-scale farmers***, especially women, and to prevent land-grabbing practices by corporations; stresses that it is necessary to protect the land, tenancy and land use rights of small local farmers and the access of local communities to natural resources; urges the EU to assert the right of access to natural resources, in particular for native and indigenous peoples, in the negotiation of trade agreements; ***encourages all Member States to follow the example of Denmark, the Netherlands and Spain and ratify ILO Convention 169 on Indigenous and Tribal peoples, in order to show their determination to provide them with tangible protection; supports current and on-going campaigns for the ratification and implementation of ILO Convention 169 by non-signatory states, particularly as a means of strengthening the rights of indigenous peoples, upholding the values of ILO Convention 169 and demonstrating the European Union's commitment to multilateralism and the United Nations;***

Or. en

Amendment 274
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 66

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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commit to land reform where relevant in order to secure the land titles of indigenous people, especially women, and to prevent land-grabbing practices by corporations; stresses that it is necessary to protect the land, tenancy and land use rights of small local farmers and the access of local communities to natural resources; urges the EU to assert the right of access to natural resources, in particular for native and indigenous peoples, in the negotiation of trade agreements; ***deplores that a significant number of people do not have or no longer have access to certain resources including basic commodities such as water, due to the hoarding of these resources by companies or private entities, who are supported by the political authorities in the countries concerned, causing food shortages and price increases in foodstuffs; calls for the EU and the Member States to take the measures required to put an end to the hoarding of these resources, particularly land, by European companies and to promote proposals in international and regional fora and conferences (World Bank, WTO, UNCTAD, IMD, OECD) for the recognition of global public goods and their inclusion in a specific UN convention;***

Or. fr

Amendment 275

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 66

Motion for a resolution

66. Calls on the EU to encourage governments of developing countries to commit to land reform where relevant in order to secure the land titles of indigenous

Amendment

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people, especially women, and to prevent land-grabbing practices by corporations; stresses that it is necessary to protect the land, tenancy and land use rights of small local farmers and the access of local communities to natural resources; urges the EU to assert the right of access to natural resources, in particular for native and indigenous peoples, in the negotiation of trade agreements;

people, ***nomadic populations*** especially women, and to prevent land-grabbing practices by corporations; stresses that it is necessary to protect the land, tenancy and land use rights of small local farmers and the access of local communities to natural resources, ***in order to prevent further land takeovers; highlights in this regard the importance of securing income for small farmers in order to empower them to contribute to the socio-economic and democratic development of these countries***; urges the EU to assert the right of access to natural resources, in particular for native and indigenous peoples, in the negotiation of trade agreements;

Or. en

Amendment 276

Leonidas Donskis, Marietje Schaake, Charles Goerens, Metin Kazak, Kristiina Ojula, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 66 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66 a. Recommends initiatives for EU legislation to ensure attention is paid in EU human rights policy and instruments of cooperation to eliminate caste discrimination, and action in caste-affected countries, including Nepal, India, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Yemen;

Or. en

Amendment 277

Ana Miranda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 66 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66 a. Believes that new and existing funding lines for the support of civil society and human rights defenders, particularly from indigenous communities, should have their budget increased; they should also both demonstrate their ability to respond flexibly and speedily to crisis events and on-going situations wherever they may be and optimize their value for money and impact;

Or. en

**Amendment 278
Ana Gomes**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 66 a (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66 a. Encourages all Member States to follow the example of Denmark, the Netherlands and Spain and ratify ILO Convention 169 on Indigenous and Tribal peoples, in order to show their determination to provide them with tangible protection;

Or. en

**Amendment 279
Ana Gomes**

**Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 66 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

66 b. Supports current and on-going

campaigns for the ratification and implementation of ILO Convention 169 by non-signatory states, particularly as a means of strengthening the rights of indigenous peoples, upholding the values of ILO Convention 169 and demonstrating the European Union's commitment to multilateralism and the United Nations;

Or. en

Amendment 280

Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Edward McMillan-Scott, Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 67

Motion for a resolution

67. Draws attention to the serious problem that exists in several countries in sub-Saharan Africa of children being accused of witchcraft, resulting in grave consequences ranging from social exclusion to infanticide; notes that the State has a responsibility to protect children from abuse and, consequently, urges the EEAS to pay particular attention to the fate of these children in the human rights dialogues with the governments of the countries concerned and in the programming of the external financial instruments;

Amendment

67. Draws attention to the serious problem that exists in several countries in sub-Saharan Africa of children being accused of witchcraft, resulting in grave consequences ranging from social exclusion to infanticide, ***and to the ritual murder of children as sacrifices***; notes that the State has a responsibility to protect children from abuse and, consequently, urges the EEAS to pay particular attention to the fate of these children in the human rights dialogues with the governments of the countries concerned and in the programming of the external financial instruments;

Or. en

Amendment 281

Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 67

Motion for a resolution

67. Draws attention to the serious problem that exists in several countries in sub-Saharan Africa of children being accused of witchcraft, resulting in grave consequences ranging from social exclusion to infanticide; notes that the State has a responsibility to protect children from abuse and, consequently, urges the EEAS to pay particular attention to the fate of these children in the human rights dialogues with the governments of the countries concerned and in the programming of the external financial instruments;

Amendment

67. Draws attention to the serious problem that exists in several countries in sub-Saharan Africa of children being accused of witchcraft, resulting in grave consequences ranging from social exclusion to infanticide; notes that the State has a responsibility to protect children from ***all forms of violence and*** abuse and, consequently, urges the EEAS to pay particular attention to the ***protection of children from all forms of violence and to the*** fate of these children in the human rights dialogues with the governments of the countries concerned and in the programming of the external financial instruments;

Or. en

Amendment 282

Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 67 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

67 a. Refers to the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child and to the need to ensure the fullest protection of the rights foreseen by it and to prevent their erosion; in this context would particularly support the prioritization of the child's needs for special safeguards and care, including appropriate legal protection, before as well as after birth, on the basis of the Convention and of the Declaration of the Rights of the Child;

Or. en

Amendment 283

Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 67 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

67 a. Notes that the Internet, including social media has become one of the most important vehicles through which individuals exercise their right to freedom of opinion and expression, and that it has played a crucial role in promoting human rights, democratic participation, accountability, transparency and economic development, as well as the positive role it has played in promoting and supporting the revolutions of the Arab Spring;

Or. en

Amendment 284

Marietje Schaake, Edward McMillan-Scott, Leonidas Donskis, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 68

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

68. Stresses that freedom of expression and media independence and pluralism are essential elements of a sustainable democracy, maximising the involvement of civil society and empowering citizens; calls ***therefore*** for increased support in the areas of promoting the freedom of media, protecting independent journalists, reducing the digital divide and facilitating ***Internet*** access;

68. Stresses that freedom of expression and media, ***both offline and online***, independence and pluralism are essential elements of a sustainable democracy, maximising the involvement of civil society and empowering citizens ***and are therefore indispensable for ensuring transparency and accountability in public life***; calls for increased support in the areas of promoting the freedom of media, protecting independent journalists ***and bloggers***, reducing the digital divide and facilitating ***unrestricted access to information and communication and uncensored access to the internet (digital***

freedom);

Or. en

Amendment 285
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 68 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

68 a. Urges the Council and the Commission to include in accession negotiations, human rights dialogues and in any contact regarding human rights, the call to end any hate speech in media as for example tolerated in the public media of Turkey against Christians;

Or. en

Amendment 286
Marietje Schaake, Edward McMillan-Scott, Leonidas Donskis, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 69

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

69. Notes that the ***Internet*** has become one of the most important vehicles through which individuals exercise their right to freedom of opinion and expression, and that it has played a crucial role in promoting human rights, democratic participation, accountability, transparency and economic development;

69. Notes that the ***internet*** has become one of the most important vehicles through which individuals exercise their right to freedom of opinion and expression, and that it has played a crucial role in promoting human rights, democratic participation, accountability, transparency and economic development; ***notes however that ICTs can also be misused to violate human rights and fundamental freedoms;***

Or. en

Amendment 287
Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 69

Motion for a resolution

69. Notes that the Internet has become one of the most important vehicles through which individuals exercise their right to freedom of opinion and expression, and that it has played a crucial role in promoting human rights, democratic participation, accountability, transparency **and** economic development;

Amendment

69. Notes that the Internet has become one of the most important vehicles through which individuals exercise their right to freedom of opinion and expression, and that it has played a crucial role in promoting human rights, democratic participation, accountability, transparency, economic development **and the development of new forms of public access; supports specific EU regulations and agreements with third countries that restrict access to communication and information through censorship, the shutting down of networks or the subordination of freedom of information to commercial interests;**

Or. de

Amendment 288
Marietta Giannakou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 69

Motion for a resolution

69. Notes that the Internet has become one of the most important vehicles through which individuals exercise their right to freedom of opinion and expression, and that it has played a crucial role in promoting human rights, democratic participation, accountability, transparency and economic development;

Amendment

69. Notes that the Internet has become one of the most important vehicles through which individuals exercise their right to freedom of opinion and expression, and that it has played a crucial role in promoting human rights, democratic participation, accountability, transparency and economic development; **at the same time, it stresses the need for human dignity not to come under attack and condemns any other form of**

discrimination occurring in the social media.

Or. el

Amendment 289

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 69

Motion for a resolution

69. Notes that the Internet has become one of the most important vehicles through which individuals exercise their right to freedom of opinion and expression, and that it has played a crucial role in promoting human rights, democratic participation, accountability, transparency and economic development;

Amendment

69. Notes that the Internet has become one of the most important vehicles through which individuals exercise their right to freedom of opinion and expression, and that it has played a crucial role in promoting human rights, democratic participation, accountability, transparency and economic development; ***bearing in mind that not all parts of society, in particular the elderly and rural population, have access to the Internet;***

Or. en

Amendment 290

Raimon Obiols

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 69

Motion for a resolution

69. Notes that the Internet has become one of the most important vehicles through which individuals exercise their right to freedom of opinion and expression, and that it has played a crucial role in promoting human rights, democratic participation, accountability, transparency and economic development;

Amendment

69. Notes that the Internet has become one of the most important vehicles through which individuals exercise their right to freedom of opinion and expression, and that it has played a crucial role in promoting human rights, democratic participation, accountability, transparency and economic development; ***welcomes the potential shown by the Internet and social***

networking in the Arab Spring developments, calls for increased monitoring of the use of the Internet and new technologies in autocratic regimes that seek to limit them;

Or. es

Amendment 291
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 70

Motion for a resolution

70. Welcomes the Commission initiative on the ‘No Disconnection Strategy’; invites the Commission to submit a proposal for regulating the export of products and services aimed at blocking websites, filtering search results, and intimidating internet users including human rights defenders; believes telecommunications and internet service providers must learn the lessons of past mistakes, such as Vodafone’s decision to give in to demands from the Egyptian authorities in the last weeks of the Mubarak regime to suspend services *and* to disseminate pro-government propaganda;

Amendment

70. Welcomes the Commission initiative on the ‘No Disconnection Strategy’; invites the Commission to submit *by January 2013 at the latest*, a proposal for regulating the export of products and services aimed at blocking websites, filtering search results, and intimidating internet users including human rights defenders; believes telecommunications and internet service providers must learn the lessons of past mistakes, such as Vodafone’s decision to give in to demands from the Egyptian authorities in the last weeks of the Mubarak regime to suspend services, to disseminate pro-government propaganda *and to monitor opponents and the population in general as well as the societies of other Member States who have sold telecommunications technologies and information to other third countries such as Libya, Tunisia etc.*;

Or. fr

Amendment 292
Marietje Schaake, Edward McMillan-Scott, Leonidas Donskis, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 70

Motion for a resolution

70. Welcomes the Commission initiative on the ‘No Disconnection Strategy’; invites the Commission to submit **a proposal for regulating** the export of products and services aimed at blocking websites, filtering search results, and intimidating internet users including human rights defenders; believes telecommunications and internet service providers must learn the lessons of past mistakes, **such as Vodafone's decision to give in to demands from the Egyptian authorities in the last weeks of the Mubarak regime to suspend services and to disseminate pro-government propaganda;**

Amendment

70. Welcomes the Commission initiative on the ‘No Disconnection Strategy’; invites the Commission to submit **smart regulatory proposals, including increased transparency and accountability for EU (based) companies, in order to improve the monitoring of the** export of products and services aimed at, **but also custom-made for,** blocking websites, **mass surveillance, monitoring all internet traffic and (mobile) communications, breaking into private conversations and transcribing them,** filtering search results, and intimidating internet users including human rights defenders; believes telecommunications and internet service providers **and software developers** must learn the lessons of past mistakes, **and should engage with policymakers, NGOs and activists in an open dialogue in order to set common minimum standards for human rights impact assessments and increased transparency;**

Or. en

Amendment 293

Marietje Schaake, Edward McMillan-Scott, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 71

Motion for a resolution

71. Considers Google's decision to reconsider its business in China as a positive example of the difficult decisions involved for ICT companies where human rights, in particular freedom of expression and the right to privacy, are at risk; invites ICT companies, in the wake of the

Amendment

deleted

Arab Spring, to integrate risk assessment procedures into their corporate strategies;

Or. en

Amendment 294

Marietje Schaake, Edward McMillan-Scott, Leonidas Donskis, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 71 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

71 a. Welcomes the inclusion of a ban on the export of technologies and services in the EU's restrictive measures against the governing authorities in Syria; notes that this ban should become a precedent for future restrictive measures against other repressive regimes, in particular towards Iran; notes however that EU policies should be precise to be effective and not to hurt human rights defenders;

Or. en

Amendment 295

Marietje Schaake, Edward McMillan-Scott, Leonidas Donskis, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 72

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

72. Notes that new technologies also allow witnesses and human rights defenders to collect information which may later be used to secure justice for victims; ***calls on the EU to work with the*** Global Network Initiative to support the development and dissemination of digital security technologies to empower human rights defenders through secure collection, encryption and storage mechanisms for

72. Notes that new technologies also allow witnesses and human rights defenders to collect information ***and share documentation of human rights abuses*** which may later be used to secure justice for victims; ***welcomes multi-stakeholder initiatives and codes of conduct such as the*** Global Network Initiative; ***notes however that democratic oversight and the defence and promotion of fundamental***

such sensitive records and the use of 'cloud' technology to ensure such material cannot be discovered and deleted; ***calls in particular on the Commission to examine and support the development of open-source technologies such as that developed by the Martus Project supported by the US State Department;***

rights are core tasks of government; calls on the Commission to support the development and dissemination of digital security technologies to empower human rights defenders through secure collection, encryption and storage mechanisms for such sensitive records and the use of 'cloud' technology to ensure such material cannot be discovered and deleted;

Or. en

Amendment 296
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 72 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

72 a. Is deeply concerned by the numerous and repeated attacks on privacy and protection of personal data in the fight against terrorism; condemns in particular the new attempts at intimidation carried out by the United States in International negotiations and threats made by certain countries to telephone service providers to change security measures (blocking access to the internet and certain services) and the data protection of their services; deplores the conclusion of the EU PNR agreements with third countries which do not confirm to EU and national legislation in relation to the protection of personal data; regrets the maintaining of provisions prohibiting any recourse to legal action by third country nationals in US law;

Or. fr

Amendment 297
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 72 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

72 b. Regrets that the international community has still not carried out negotiations for the conclusion of an international agreement on the protection of personal data for which Convention 108 of the Council of Europe could serve as a model and invites the European Commission to ask the national Commissioners responsible for the protection of personal data and the European bodies involved in this field to develop a framework, in cooperation with their international counterparts;

Or. fr

Amendment 298
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 72 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

72 c. Condemns the adoption by ACTA who, on the pretext of combating forgery and protecting intellectual property rights, which is necessary and legal but within the limits need to respect the freedom of choice and expression for all, seriously threatens, inter alia, net neutrality, access to high quality, safe and affordable medicines as well as generic medicines.;

Or. fr

Amendment 299
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 73 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

73 a. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to check that these companies which come under national or European law, do not disregard the Human Rights and social, health and environmental standards they are subject to when moving to or carrying out their activities in a third country;

Or. fr

Amendment 300
Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 73 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

73 a. Recalls furthermore that support for human rights and democracy is closely linked with the promotion of transparency and good governance; takes the view, in this regard, that tax havens and offshore jurisdictions play a detrimental role in the fight against corruption and political accountability in developing countries; demands that the EU foster the ratification and implementation of the UN Convention Against Corruption in the EU and worldwide in the context of EU support for good governance programmes in third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 301
Andrzej Grzyb

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 74

Motion for a resolution

74. Commends the EU for its support for the development of UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and their unanimous adoption in the Human Rights Council; welcomes the inaugural meeting of the Working Group on Business and Human Rights held on 16 – 20 January 2012, and calls for the EU to further support and contribute to the mandate of this body;

Amendment

74. Commends the EU for its support for the development of UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and their unanimous adoption in the Human Rights Council; welcomes the inaugural meeting of the Working Group on Business and Human Rights held on 16 – 20 January 2012, and calls for the EU to further support and contribute to the mandate of this body; ***stresses the crucial role of the National Human Rights Institutions and the cooperation of those bodies in the EU and Neighbourhood Countries in taking forward the implementation of the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights as recognised in, among other places, UN Human Rights Council Resolution 17/4; welcomes initiatives aimed at transferring good practice, coordinating and animating cooperation between the EU and Neighbourhood national human rights institutions such as the programme for cooperation between Ombudsmen from Eastern Partnership countries 2009-2013 that was jointly set up by the Polish and French Ombudsmen with a view to enhancing the capacity of Ombudsmen's offices, government bodies and non-governmental organisations in Eastern Partnership countries to protect individual rights and build democratic states based on the rule of law; stresses the need for such action to be coordinated within the EU and for the EU institutions to draw on the experience gained in connection therewith;***

Or. en

Amendment 302
Helmut Scholz

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 75

Motion for a resolution

75. Welcomes the EU commitment to work with enterprises and stakeholders in 2012 to develop human rights guidance for industrial sectors and SMEs, based on the UN Guiding Principles; calls on the Commission to bring forward its commitment to publish, by the end of 2012, a report on EU priorities in the implementation of the Principles, and thereafter to issue periodic progress reports; insists that ***all European enterprises should meet the*** corporate responsibility to respect human rights, as defined in the UN Guiding Principles; calls on EU Member States to develop, by the end of 2012, national plans for their implementation;

Amendment

75. Welcomes the EU commitment to work with enterprises and stakeholders in 2012 to develop human rights guidance for industrial sectors and SMEs, based on the UN Guiding Principles; calls on the Commission to bring forward its commitment to publish, by the end of 2012, a report on EU priorities in the implementation of the Principles, and thereafter to issue periodic progress reports; insists that corporate responsibility to respect human rights, as defined in the UN Guiding Principles ***should be legally binding on all European enterprises***; calls on EU Member States to develop, by the end of 2012, national plans for their implementation;

Or. de

Amendment 303
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 76

Motion for a resolution

76. Believes that disclosure by large companies of social and environmental information, including human rights impacts, ***is vital to*** transparency; welcomes the aim of the International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC) to develop a globally accepted integrated reporting framework;

Amendment

76. Believes that disclosure by large companies of social and environmental information, including human rights impacts, ***could help*** transparency; welcomes the aim of the International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC) to develop a globally accepted integrated reporting framework; ***at the same time remains concerned that the disclosure of this information could have an impact on***

the competitiveness of EU enterprises while foreign firms would not be subject to the same procedures;

Or. en

Amendment 304
Marietta Giannakou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 76

Motion for a resolution

76. Believes that disclosure by large companies of social and environmental information, including human rights impacts, is vital to transparency; welcomes the aim of the International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC) to develop a globally accepted integrated reporting framework;

Amendment

76. Believes that disclosure by large companies of social and environmental information, including human rights impacts, is vital to transparency *and to these companies' effectiveness*; welcomes the aim of the International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC) to develop a globally accepted integrated reporting framework;

Or. el

Amendment 305
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 76 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

76 a. Considers that natural resources are essential to life and offer collective benefits which allow them to be considered as global public goods; observes however that many local populations do not always have access to these resources or have difficulties in receiving remuneration for the services they contribute to creating; consequently, emphasises the importance of defining the

tools designed to measure the unequal access to natural resources;

Or. fr

Amendment 306
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 20 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Extreme poverty and Human Rights

Or. fr

Amendment 307
Marietta Giannakou

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

78 a. Supports the increasing promotion of women onto executive boards at national, European and international levels.

Or. el

Amendment 308
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

78 a. Highlights the need to develop a set of principles on the application of

standards and criteria relating to human rights in the fight against extreme poverty (roadmap);

Or. fr

Amendment 309
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

78 b. Noted with concern that certain factors particularly aggravate vulnerability to extreme poverty such as the problems of maternal and child health, mental health, debt, drug addiction, poor accommodation, statelessness and internal displacements;

Or. fr

Amendment 310
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

78 c. Is pleased that the driving principles on extreme poverty and human rights are based on the interdependence and indivisibility of all human rights, as well as on the principles of the participation and empowerment of people living in extreme poverty; emphasises the indissociability of extreme poverty and human rights: on the one hand, people living in extreme poverty were often also deprived of their civil, political, economic and social human rights; on the other

hand an approach in the fight against extreme poverty based on human rights is essential in order to understand this situation and combat it; urges the Council of the Union to support this approach with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission;

Or. fr

Amendment 311
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

78 d. Thanks the United Nations Secretary-General for having welcomed a delegation of young people from the ATD Fourth World Movement during his official visit to the European Parliament in Strasbourg; highlights that dialogue between citizens living in extreme poverty and international institutions is important in order to ensure the efficiency of public policies in the area of human rights;

Or. fr

Amendment 312
Anna Záborská

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 78 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

78 e. Recalls the message of the United Nations World Day to overcome extreme poverty (17 October) ‘Wherever men and women are condemned to live in extreme poverty, human rights are violated. To

come together to ensure that these rights be respected is our solemn duty’; reaffirms that the existence of widespread extreme poverty stands in the way of the full and effective enjoyment of human rights and that the international community must continue to accord high priority to the reduction of poverty in the immediate future and, subsequently, its final eradication;

Or. fr

Amendment 313
Leonidas Donskis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 79

Motion for a resolution

79. Reiterates its appeal to the Council and the Commission to systematically take up Parliament's resolutions and other communications, responding in a substantive manner;

Amendment

79. Reiterates its appeal to the Council and the Commission to systematically take up Parliament's resolutions and other communications, responding in a substantive manner; ***proposes that Parliament consider establishing a systematic mechanism to ensure a more effective and tangible follow-up to its decisions;***

Or. en

Amendment 314
Leonidas Donskis, Marietje Schaake, Charles Goerens, Metin Kazak, Kristiina Ojula, Sarah Ludford

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 80

Motion for a resolution

80. Recognises the need for human rights concerns to be mainstreamed through the

Amendment

80. Recognises the need for human rights concerns to be mainstreamed through the

work of all parliamentary committees and delegations dealing with external relations; recommends that Members of the European Parliament systematically meet with human rights defenders during official missions to third countries to provide the latter with greater visibility; welcomes the decision to augment the resources available to the Subcommittee on Human Rights in the light of the changes arising from the Treaty of Lisbon;

work of all parliamentary committees and delegations dealing with external relations; recommends that Members of the European Parliament systematically meet with human rights defenders during official missions to third countries, ***including with imprisoned activists wherever possible***, to provide the latter with greater visibility; welcomes the decision to augment the resources available to the Subcommittee on Human Rights in the light of the changes arising from the Treaty of Lisbon;

Or. en

Amendment 315
Raimon Obiols

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 80

Motion for a resolution

80. Recognises the need for human rights concerns to be mainstreamed through the work of all parliamentary committees and delegations dealing with external relations; recommends that Members of the European Parliament systematically meet with human rights defenders during official missions to third countries to provide the latter with greater visibility; welcomes the decision to augment the resources available to the Subcommittee on Human Rights in the light of the changes arising from the Treaty of Lisbon;

Amendment

80. Recognises the need for human rights concerns to be mainstreamed through the work of all parliamentary committees and delegations dealing with external relations, ***applying the recommendations made in reports prepared by ad hoc Working Groups of the European Parliament***; recommends that Members of the European Parliament systematically meet with human rights defenders during official missions to third countries to provide the latter with greater visibility; welcomes the decision to augment the resources available to the Subcommittee on Human Rights in the light of the changes arising from the Treaty of Lisbon;

Or. es

Amendment 316
Kinga Gál

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 81 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

81 a. Welcomes the commitment made by the European Parliament to enhance the role of the Sakharov Prize and to strengthen the Sakharov Network by organizing high-level conferences with the participation of former prize laureates;

Or. en

Amendment 317
Anna Záborská, Carlo Casini, Othmar Karas

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Human rights, freedom of religion and the persecution of Christians in the world

Or. en

Amendment 318
Anna Záborská, Carlo Casini, Othmar Karas

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 81 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

81 a. Remains committed to the realisation of the freedom of religion in all parts of the world as part of enhanced EU efforts in its bilateral and multilateral action on freedom of religion; invites therefore its President as well as the High Representative/Vice-President to report on

the measures taken and on concrete proposals to further strengthen the EU's action in this regard;

Or. en

Amendment 319

Anna Záborská, Carlo Casini, Othmar Karas

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 81 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

81 b. Expresses its profound concern about the increasing number of acts of religious intolerance and discrimination, as epitomised by violence and acts of terrorism in various countries against Christians and their places of worship, which it firmly condemns; stresses that no part of the world is exempt from the scourge of religious intolerance;

Or. en

Amendment 320

Anna Záborská, Carlo Casini, Othmar Karas

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 81 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

81 c. Invites the competent institutions to closely collaborate with the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom in bilateral and multilateral fora, e.g. the UN Human Rights Council;

Or. en

Amendment 321

Anna Záborská, Carlo Casini, Othmar Karas

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 81 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

81 d. Opposes the idea that there should be laws or UN resolutions against the so-called "defamation of religions" which provide justification for governments to restrict religious freedom and free expression; invites the EU Council and the High Representative/Vice-President to oppose any move at the UN seeking to impose the concept of "defamation of religion";

Or. en

Amendment 322

Ana Gomes

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 82

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

82. Warmly welcomes the review of the EU's human rights and democratisation policy, outlined in the Joint Communication of 12 December **2012**, as a positive overview of EU potential; calls on EU Member States to fully engage in the process and apply its outcome in their national actions as well as at European level;

82. Warmly welcomes the review of the EU's human rights and democratisation policy, outlined in the Joint Communication of 12 December **2011**, as a positive overview of EU potential; calls on EU Member States to fully engage in the process and apply its outcome in their national actions as well as at European level;

Or. en

Amendment 323

Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 84

Motion for a resolution

84. Acknowledges, in the wake of the Arab Spring, the focus on ‘bottom up’ tailor-made approaches and the need to move respect for human rights to the centre of EU foreign policy; considers that the EU must learn from past mistakes epitomised by the fact that right up to the outbreak of civil war in Libya, negotiations were underway on a framework agreement with Libya, despite evidence of the murder of 1 200 prisoners over a decade before and a litany of torture, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial executions;

Amendment

84. Acknowledges, in the wake of the Arab Spring, the focus on ‘bottom up’ tailor-made approaches and the need to move respect for human rights to the centre of EU foreign policy; considers that the EU must learn from past mistakes epitomised by the fact that right up to the outbreak of civil war in Libya, negotiations were underway on a framework agreement ***and a readmission agreement*** with Libya, despite evidence of the murder of 1 200 prisoners over a decade before and a litany of torture, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial executions;

Or. fr

Amendment 324
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 84

Motion for a resolution

84. Acknowledges, in the wake of the Arab Spring, the focus on ‘bottom up’ tailor-made approaches and the need to move respect for human rights to the centre of EU foreign policy; considers that the EU must learn from past mistakes ***epitomised by the fact that right up to the outbreak of civil war in Libya, negotiations were underway on a framework agreement with Libya, despite evidence of the murder of 1 200 prisoners over a decade before and a litany of torture, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial executions;***

Amendment

84. Acknowledges, in the wake of the Arab Spring, the focus on ‘bottom up’ tailor-made approaches and the need to move respect for human rights to the centre of EU foreign policy; considers that the EU must learn from past mistakes;

Or. en

Amendment 325

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, Eduard Kukan, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 84

Motion for a resolution

84. Acknowledges, in the wake of the Arab Spring, the focus on ‘bottom up’ tailor-made approaches and the need to move respect for human rights to the centre of EU foreign policy; considers that the EU must learn from past mistakes epitomised by the fact that right up to the outbreak of civil war in Libya, negotiations were underway on a framework agreement with Libya, despite evidence of the murder of 1 200 prisoners over a decade before and a litany of torture, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial executions;

Amendment

84. Acknowledges, in the wake of the Arab Spring, the focus on ‘bottom up’ tailor-made approaches and the need to move respect for human rights to the centre of EU foreign policy; ***therefore stresses that the EU needs to support and involve the governments, parliaments and civil society in the process of respecting and monitoring human rights***; considers that the EU must learn from past mistakes epitomised by the fact that right up to the outbreak of civil war in Libya, negotiations were underway on a framework agreement with Libya, despite evidence of the murder of 1 200 prisoners over a decade before and a litany of torture, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial executions;

Or. en

Amendment 326

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tőkés

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 84

Motion for a resolution

84. Acknowledges, in the wake of the Arab Spring, the focus on ‘bottom up’ tailor-made approaches and the need to move respect for human rights to the centre of EU foreign policy; considers that the EU must learn from past mistakes epitomised by the fact that right up to the outbreak of

Amendment

84. Acknowledges, in the wake of the Arab Spring, the focus on ‘bottom up’ tailor-made approaches and the need to move respect for human rights to the centre of EU foreign policy; considers that the EU must learn from past mistakes epitomised by the fact that right up to the outbreak of

civil war in Libya, negotiations were underway on a framework agreement with Libya, despite evidence of the murder of 1 200 prisoners over a decade before and a litany of torture, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial executions;

civil war in Libya, negotiations were underway on a framework agreement with Libya, despite evidence of the murder of 1 200 prisoners over a decade before and a litany of torture, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial executions; ***at the same time reiterates the fact that the EU's partnership in democratization processes and economic prosperity in the South needs to run in parallel with its engagements in the Eastern neighbourhood;***

Or. en

Amendment 327

Andrzej Grzyb, Elisabeth Jeggle, László Tóké

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 84

Motion for a resolution

84. Acknowledges, in the wake of the Arab Spring, the focus on 'bottom up' tailor-made approaches and the need to move respect for human rights to the centre of EU foreign policy; considers that the EU must learn from past mistakes epitomised by the fact that right up to the outbreak of civil war in Libya, negotiations were underway on a framework agreement with Libya, despite evidence of the murder of 1 200 prisoners over a decade before and a litany of torture, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial executions;

Amendment

84. Acknowledges, in the wake of the Arab Spring, the focus on 'bottom up' tailor-made approaches and the need to move respect for human rights to the centre of EU foreign policy; considers that the EU must learn from past mistakes epitomised by the fact that right up to the outbreak of civil war in Libya, negotiations were underway on a framework agreement with Libya, despite evidence of the murder of 1 200 prisoners over a decade before and a litany of torture, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial executions; ***stresses that the funds that could not be allocated or transferred to the European Neighbourhood countries due to a negative evaluation, should be redistributed to other projects taking place in European Neighbourhood partner countries both in Southern and Eastern dimension;***

Or. en

Amendment 328
Raimon Obiols

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 84

Motion for a resolution

84. Acknowledges, in the wake of the Arab Spring, the focus on ‘bottom up’ tailor-made approaches and the need to move respect for human rights to the centre of EU foreign policy; considers that the EU must learn from past mistakes epitomised by the fact that right up to the outbreak of civil war in Libya, negotiations were underway on a framework agreement with Libya, despite evidence of the murder of 1 200 prisoners over a decade before and a litany of torture, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial executions;

Amendment

84. Acknowledges, in the wake of the Arab Spring, the focus on ‘bottom up’ tailor-made approaches and the need to move respect for human rights to the centre of EU foreign policy; considers that the EU must learn from past mistakes epitomised by the fact that right up to the outbreak of civil war in Libya, negotiations were underway on a framework agreement with Libya, ***about which the European Parliament was not adequately informed,*** despite evidence of the murder of 1 200 prisoners over a decade before and a litany of torture, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial executions;

Or. es

Amendment 329
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 87 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

87 a. Emphasises the need for particular attention on the part of the European Union and the Member States on the human rights situation in the Western Sahara; recalls that any form of occupation should be strongly condemned by the international community, particularly in Palestine and the Western Sahara;

Amendment

Amendment 330
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 89 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

89 a. Is more specifically concerned by the deterioration of the situation in Turkey and the increasing repression faced by human rights defenders, opposition to the government, including elected representatives, trade unionists, journalists, artists and, in particular, against the Kurdish community;

Or. fr

Amendment 331
Konrad Szymański

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 90

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

90. Supports the EU concept of ‘deep democracy’ developed by the High Representative; ***regrets that discrimination and gender equality criteria are not included within this concept; urges the EEAS to*** fully integrate ***anti-discrimination*** measures and benchmarks to ensure there is a clear focus on the ***issue*** of women's rights and equal political participation;

90. Supports the EU concept of ‘deep democracy’ developed by the High Representative/Vice-President ***which should*** fully integrate measures and benchmarks ***in order*** to ensure ***that*** there is a clear focus on the ***following freedoms and issues, namely, freedom of conscience, religion and thought, freedom of expression, freedom of assembly,*** women's rights and equal political participation;

Or. en

Amendment 332
Richard Howitt

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 90

Motion for a resolution

90. Supports the EU concept of ‘deep democracy’ developed by the High Representative; regrets that **discrimination** and gender equality criteria are not included within this concept; urges the EEAS to fully integrate anti-discrimination measures and benchmarks to ensure there is a clear focus on the issue of **women’s rights** and equal political participation;

Amendment

90. Supports the EU concept of ‘deep democracy’ developed by the High Representative; regrets that **non-discrimination** and gender equality criteria are not included within this concept; urges the EEAS to fully integrate anti-discrimination measures and benchmarks to ensure there is a clear focus on the issue of **the rights of women and minorities, equal citizenship and equal** political participation;

Or. en

Amendment 333
Fiorello Provera, Lorenzo Fontana

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 94

Motion for a resolution

94. Recognises that the Communication accepts the need for all counter-terrorism activities to be carried out in full compliance with international human rights, humanitarian and refugee law; stresses that this principle must form part of discussions on all new counter-terrorism measures within the EU and with partners in third countries; **believes the EU must consistently raise with strategic partners all examples of non-compliant counter-terrorism measures and seek accountability for violations within and outside of the EU**; reaffirms that the EU counter-terrorism policy should specifically reference the **absolute**

Amendment

94. Recognises that the Communication accepts the need for all counter-terrorism activities to be carried out in full compliance with international human rights, humanitarian and refugee law; stresses that this principle must form part of discussions on all new counter-terrorism measures within the EU and with partners in third countries; reaffirms that the EU counter-terrorism policy should specifically reference the prohibition of torture in the context of counter-terrorism, as recognised in the Council conclusions of 29 April 2008;

prohibition of torture in the context of counter-terrorism, as recognised in the Council conclusions of 29 April 2008;

Or. en

Amendment 334
Marie-Christine Vergiat

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 97

Motion for a resolution

97. Considers it part of building a real culture of human rights and democracy that there also be a clear review of the role played by geographical desk officers and Council working groups and what this strategy means for their day-to-day work;

Amendment

97. Considers it part of building a real culture of human rights and democracy, ***particularly through education for democratic citizenship and human rights***, that there also be a clear review of the role played by geographical desk officers and Council working groups and what this strategy means for their day-to-day work;

Or. fr