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### **AFET hearing**

#### **Political and economic situation in Belarus**

Tuesday 1st April 2014, 09:00 - 10:30, JAN 2Q2

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| 09:00 | Opening remarks by the Chair  |
| 09:05 | Introductory remarks by MEP Justas PALECKIS, AFET Standing Rapporteur on Belarus  |
| 09:10 | Expert presentations:   |
|       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The economic situation of Belarus and interdependence with third countries<br/>Mr Heliodoro TEMPRANO ARROYO, Head of Unit - Neighbouring Countries and Macro-Financial Assistance, Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs, European Commission</li><li>• The impact of the Vilnius Summit and the Ukrainian crisis on relations between Belarus and its neighbours<br/>Mr Arkady MOSHES, Programme Director "The EU's Eastern Neighbourhood and Russia research programme", Finnish Institute for International Affairs</li></ul> |
| 09:40 | Discussion on presentations by the experts, and on internal political developments<br>Mr Aliaksandr MILINKEVICH, 2006 Sakharov Prize Laureate   |
| 09:55 | Q&A session   |
| 10:20 | Concluding remarks  |

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