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Draft report
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containing the European Parliament's recommendation to the Commission, the Council and the European External Action Service on the negotiations for an EU-Canada Strategic Partnership Agreement
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Amendment 1

Charles Tannock
on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution
Citation 1

Motion for a resolution

– having regard to the ongoing negotiations between the EU and Canada for a Strategic Partnership Agreement (SPA) and for a Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA),

Amendment

– having regard to the ongoing *parallel* negotiations between the EU and Canada for a Strategic Partnership Agreement (SPA) and for a Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA),

Or. en

Amendment 2

Tokia Saïfi
Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to Article 21 of the Treaty on European Union,

Or. fr

Amendment 3

Charles Tannock
on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas the relations between the EU and Canada are historical, strong and built on shared interests and values; ***whereas the shared values of democracy and the protection of human rights should form a core part of any agreement between the two parties aiming to provide a framework***

Amendment

A. whereas the relations between the EU and Canada are historical, strong and built on shared interests and values, ***on the strength of the respective democratic systems of both the EU and Canada, and on their bilateral cooperation at the international level in supporting human***

for that relationship;

rights, non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, the fight against terrorism and the rule of law;

Or. en

Amendment 4

Adam Bielan

Motion for a resolution

Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the EU and Canada have a history of extensive political and economic cooperation, formally dating back to 1976 when the EU signed a Framework Agreement with Canada, the first with an OECD country; whereas this agreement has for a long time constituted the appropriate framework to deepen relations, enhance political association and further cooperation;

Amendment

B. whereas the EU and Canada have a **long** history of extensive political and economic cooperation, formally dating back to 1976 when the EU signed a Framework Agreement with Canada, the first with an OECD country; whereas this agreement has for a long time constituted the appropriate framework to deepen relations, enhance political association and further cooperation;

Or. pl

Amendment 5

Elena Băsescu

Motion for a resolution

Recital B a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ba. whereas Canada is a consolidated parliamentary democracy; whereas Canada shares similar democratic values and principles with the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 6

Tokia Saïfi, Agnès Le Brun

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the SPA currently under negotiation **would update the relationship** between the EU and Canada and **considerably contribute** to the improvement of **our** cooperation; whereas **it codifies** the status of the EU and Canada as strategic partners;

Amendment

C. whereas the **aims of the** SPA currently under negotiation **include revitalising relations** between the EU and Canada and **contributing** to the improvement of **their** cooperation; whereas **the agreement confirms** the status of the EU and Canada as strategic partners;

Or. fr

Amendment 7
Reinhard Bütikofer
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the SPA currently under negotiation would update the relationship between the EU and Canada and considerably contribute to the improvement of our cooperation; whereas it codifies the status of the EU and Canada as strategic partners;

Amendment

C. whereas the SPA currently under negotiation would update the relationship between the EU and Canada and **could** considerably contribute to the **deepening of relations and the** improvement of our cooperation; whereas it codifies the status of the EU and Canada as strategic partners;

Or. en

Amendment 8
Adam Bielan
Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas the SPA currently under negotiation would update the relationship between the EU and Canada and considerably contribute to the improvement of our cooperation; whereas

Amendment

C. whereas the SPA currently under negotiation would update the relationship between the EU and Canada and considerably contribute to the improvement of our cooperation **in many**

it codifies the status of the EU and Canada as strategic partners;

areas, in particular the economic sphere; whereas it codifies the status of the EU and Canada as strategic partners;

Or. pl

Amendment 9

Reinhard Bütikofer
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas Canada has not reduced its greenhouse gas emissions in line with its international commitments and has formally withdrawn from the Kyoto Protocol in 2011;

Or. en

Amendment 10

Charles Tannock
on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

D. whereas the SPA, beyond improving the institutional structure of relations, ***in combination*** with the CETA, would provide Europe's and Canada's citizens with tangible benefits and opportunities; whereas the opening of markets and regulatory cooperation is expected to generate important economic gains and have positive effects on employment for both Canada and the EU and, in light of broadening the transatlantic partnership and given the existing NAFTA-framework, may lead to the creation of a transatlantic market, a win-win situation for all actors

D. whereas the SPA, beyond improving the institutional structure of relations, ***alongside*** with the CETA, would provide Europe's and Canada's citizens with tangible benefits and opportunities; whereas the opening of markets and regulatory cooperation is expected to generate important economic gains and have positive effects on employment for both Canada and the EU and, in light of broadening the transatlantic partnership and given the existing NAFTA-framework, may lead to the creation of a transatlantic market, a win-win situation for all actors

involved;

involved;

Or. en

Amendment 11

Reinhard Bütikofer
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas the SPA, beyond improving the institutional structure of relations, in combination with the CETA, would provide Europe's and Canada's citizens with tangible benefits and opportunities; whereas the opening of markets and regulatory cooperation is expected to generate important economic gains and have positive effects on employment for both Canada and the EU and, in light of broadening the transatlantic partnership and given the existing NAFTA-framework, may lead to the creation of a transatlantic market, a win-win situation for all actors involved;

Amendment

D. whereas the SPA, beyond improving the institutional structure of relations, in combination with the CETA, would provide Europe's and Canada's citizens with tangible benefits and opportunities **as long as all stakeholders are involved in the process**; whereas the opening of markets and regulatory cooperation is expected to generate important economic gains and have positive effects on employment for both Canada and the EU and, in light of broadening the transatlantic partnership and given the existing NAFTA-framework, may lead to the creation of a transatlantic market, a win-win situation for all actors involved **as long as current social and environmental standards are not lowered**;

Or. en

Amendment 12

Tokia Saïfi
Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas the SPA, beyond improving the institutional structure of relations, in combination with the CETA, would provide Europe's and Canada's citizens

Amendment

D. whereas the SPA, beyond improving the institutional structure of relations, in combination with the CETA, would provide Europe's and Canada's citizens

with tangible benefits and opportunities;
whereas the opening of markets and regulatory cooperation is expected to generate important economic gains and have positive effects on employment for both Canada and the EU and, in light of broadening the transatlantic partnership and given the existing NAFTA-framework, may lead to the creation of a transatlantic market, a win-win situation for all actors involved;

with tangible benefits and opportunities;

Or. fr

Amendment 13

Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution

Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas *the SPA and the CETA are closely linked, following the EU's common approach;*

Amendment

F. whereas SPA and *CETA are being negotiated in parallel and are complementary in strengthening the Canada-EU relationship;*

Or. en

Amendment 14

Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the SPA and the CETA are *closely linked, following the EU's common approach;*

Amendment

F. whereas the SPA and the CETA are *being negotiated in parallel and are complementary in strengthening the EU-Canada relationship;*

Or. en

Amendment 15

Charles Tannock
on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the SPA and the CETA are ***closely linked, following the EU's common approach;***

Amendment

F. whereas the SPA and the CETA are ***being negotiated in parallel and are complementary in strengthening the Canada-EU relationship;***

Or. en

Amendment 16

Elisabeth Jeggle, Alojz Peterle, Michael Gahler

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas the SPA and the CETA are ***closely linked, following*** the EU's common approach;

Amendment

F. whereas the SPA and the CETA are ***being negotiated in parallel, respecting in mutual trust*** the EU's common approach ***and Canadian principles;***

Or. en

Amendment 17

Reinhard Bütikofer
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas in parallel to the negotiations on the SPA there are ongoing negotiations on the EU-Canada PNR agreement which are ***supposed to deepen the relationship also in the field of counter-terrorism;***

Amendment

G. whereas in parallel to the negotiations on the SPA there are ongoing negotiations on the EU-Canada PNR agreement which are ***to provide proper safeguards against disproportionate profiling practices based***

on the retention of EU passenger data,

Or. en

Amendment 18

Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the issue of a full visa waiver for all EU citizens is still pending and should be rapidly resolved;

Amendment

H. whereas the issue of a full visa waiver for all EU citizens is still pending, ***imposing visa requirements on Romanian, Bulgarian and Czech citizens***, and should be rapidly resolved;

Or. en

Amendment 19

Charles Tannock

on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas the issue of a full visa waiver for all EU citizens is still pending and should be ***rapidly*** resolved;

Amendment

H. whereas the issue of a full visa waiver for all EU citizens is still pending and should be ***urgently*** resolved;

Or. en

Amendment 20

Reinhard Bütikofer

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution

Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. whereas the Arctic Council's decision, supported by Canada, on EU observer status is regrettable;

Amendment

I. whereas the ***EU-Canada strategic partnership should be duly reflected in international fora and organisations; whereas, in this regard, the*** Arctic Council's decision, supported by Canada, on EU observer status is regrettable;

Or. en

Amendment 21

Elisabeth Jeggle, Michael Gahler

Motion for a resolution

Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. whereas the Arctic Council's decision, supported by Canada, on EU observer status ***is regrettable***;

Amendment

I. whereas ***in relation to*** the Arctic Council's decision, supported by Canada, on EU observer status, ***the EU has committed itself to collaborate with the Canadian authorities to find a solution for the issues still to be resolved***;

Or. en

Amendment 22

Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution

Recital I

Motion for a resolution

I. whereas the Arctic Council's decision, supported by Canada, on EU observer status is ***regrettable***;

Amendment

I. whereas the Arctic Council's decision, supported by Canada, on EU observer status is ***a step forward and whereas the EU has committed to working with the Canadian authorities to address the outstanding issue of concern***;

Or. en

Amendment 23

Tokia Saïfi, Agnès Le Brun

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1 – point a

Motion for a resolution

(a) to make all necessary progress in order to **swiftly** conclude **the agreement**;

Amendment

(a) to make all necessary progress in order to conclude **a new, updated SPA**;

Or. fr

Amendment 24

Charles Tannock

on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1 – point b

Motion for a resolution

(b) to **insist that all contractual relationships with third countries, both industrialised and developing, should** include clearly worded conditionality and political clauses on human rights and democracy, **without exception**; to adopt appropriate safeguards to ensure that the suspension mechanism cannot be abused;

Amendment

(b) to **encourage, as a general rule, all the relevant parties to** include clearly worded conditionality and political clauses on human rights and democracy **in strategic contractual relationships with third countries**; to adopt appropriate safeguards to ensure that the suspension mechanism cannot be abused;

Or. en

Amendment 25

Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1 – point b

Motion for a resolution

(b) to **insist that** all contractual relationships with third countries, **both industrialised and developing**, should include clearly worded conditionality and

Amendment

(b) to **explain that, according to European legislation**, all contractual relationships with third countries should include clearly worded conditionality and political clauses

political clauses on human rights and democracy, **without exception**; to adopt appropriate safeguards to ensure that the suspension mechanism cannot be abused;

on human rights and democracy, **as a common reaffirmation of the mutual commitment to these values and regardless of the state of protection of human rights in that country**; to adopt appropriate safeguards to ensure that the suspension mechanism cannot be abused;

Or. en

Amendment 26

Tokia Saïfi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1 – point b

Motion for a resolution

(b) to insist that all **contractual relationships** with third countries, **both industrialised and developing**, should include **clearly worded conditionality and political** clauses on human rights and democracy, **without exception; to adopt** appropriate safeguards to ensure that the suspension mechanism cannot be abused;

Amendment

(b) to insist that all **EU agreements** with third countries should, **without exception and irrespective of their level of development**, include **binding** clauses on human rights and democracy **and** appropriate safeguards to ensure that the suspension mechanism cannot be abused;

Or. fr

Amendment 27

Elena Băsescu

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1 – point b

Motion for a resolution

(b) to insist that all contractual relationships with third countries, both industrialised and developing, should include **clearly worded** conditionality and political clauses on human rights and democracy, without exception; to adopt appropriate safeguards to ensure that the suspension mechanism cannot be abused;

Amendment

(b) to insist that all contractual relationships with third countries, both industrialised and developing, should include conditionality and political clauses on human rights and democracy, without exception, **but with a proper flexibility that distinguishes between historically consolidated democracies, such as Canada, and other partners**; to adopt appropriate safeguards to ensure that the

suspension mechanism cannot be abused;

Or. en

Amendment 28

Elisabeth Jeggle, Alojz Peterle, Michael Gahler

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1 – point b

Motion for a resolution

(b) to insist that all contractual relationships with third countries, both industrialised and developing, should include clearly worded conditionality and political clauses on human rights and democracy, ***without exception***; to adopt appropriate safeguards to ensure that the suspension mechanism cannot be abused;

Amendment

(b) to insist that all contractual relationships with third countries, both industrialised and developing, should include clearly worded conditionality and political clauses on human rights and democracy; to adopt appropriate safeguards to ensure that the suspension mechanism cannot be abused ***by either side***;

Or. en

Amendment 29

Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1 – point b

Motion for a resolution

(b) to insist that all contractual relationships with third countries, both industrialised and developing, should include clearly worded conditionality and political clauses on human rights and democracy, ***without exception***; to adopt appropriate safeguards to ensure that the suspension mechanism cannot be abused;

Amendment

(b) to insist that all contractual relationships with third countries, both industrialised and developing, should include clearly worded conditionality and political clauses on human rights and democracy; to adopt appropriate safeguards to ensure that the suspension mechanism cannot be abused;

Or. en

Amendment 30
Cristian Dan Preda

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 – point c

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(c) to insist that such conditionality should thus, as a matter of course, form part of the SPA with Canada, to ensure the consistency of the EU's common approach on the matter;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 31
Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 – point c

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(c) to insist that such conditionality should ***thus, as a matter of course,*** form part of the SPA with Canada, to ensure ***the consistency of*** the EU's common approach on the matter;

(c) while bearing in mind that conditionality should form part of the SPA with Canada, ***in order*** to ensure ***that it is consistent with*** the EU's common approach on the matter, ***enough flexibility should be promoted to reflect the positive, historic and unique nature of the EU-Canada relationship;***

Or. en

Amendment 32
Elena Băsescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 – point c

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(c) to insist that such conditionality should thus, as a matter of course, form part of

(c) to insist that such conditionality should form part of the SPA with Canada, to

the SPA with Canada, to ensure the consistency of the EU's common approach on the matter;

ensure the consistency of the EU's common approach on the matter;

Or. en

Amendment 33

Elena Băsescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 – point c a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(ca) to ensure that the final text contains specific provisions that ensure that all EU citizens are treated equally with respect to the visa policy applied by Canada towards the EU, thus eliminating visa requirements for all EU countries;

Or. en

Amendment 34

Tokia Saïfi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 – point d

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(d) to encourage, ***if possible***, all parties involved to ***initial and sign*** the SPA and the CETA at the same time in order to underline their *complimentary* nature;

(d) to encourage all parties involved to ***conclude the negotiations on*** the SPA and the CETA ***and then initial and sign them*** at the same time in order to underline their *complementary* nature;

Or. fr

Amendment 35

Charles Tannock
on behalf of the ECR Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 – point d

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Motion for a resolution

(d) to encourage, if possible, all parties involved to initial and sign the SPA and the CETA at the ***same time in order*** to underline their ***complimentary*** nature;

Amendment

(d) to encourage, if possible, all parties involved to initial and sign the SPA and the CETA at the ***earliest convenience and*** to underline their ***complementary*** nature;

Or. en

Amendment 36

Jan Zahradil

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 – point d a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(da) to insist that the EU-Canada partnership is not longer undermined by persisting asymmetric visa regimes and that a solution based on full and unconditional visa reciprocity is found before the SPA ratification process is completed;

Or. en

Amendment 37

Reinhard Bütikofer
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 – point d a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(da) to ensure that civil societies and main stakeholders are fully involved, informed and consulted in the process;

Or. en

Amendment 38

Reinhard Bütikofer
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 – point d b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(db) to regret that Canada has not been an ally in finding international agreement to limit climate change to below 2°C compared to pre-industrial levels;

Or. en

Amendment 39

Reinhard Bütikofer
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 – point d c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(dc) to express concern about Canadian federal and regional governments' attempts to interfere and undermine the integrity of EU climate legislation, in particular as regards greenhouse gas emission values for tar sand derived transport fuels; finds it particularly unwelcome as Canada has not respected its international greenhouse gas reduction commitments;

Or. en

Amendment 40

Tokia Saïfi
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 – point e

Motion for a resolution

(e) to ensure that the agreement contains a solid commitment to inter-parliamentary cooperation that recognises the important role of the European **Parliament** and **the** Canadian **Parliament** in EU-Canada relations, especially through the **long-established** inter-parliamentary delegation;

Amendment

(e) to ensure that the agreement contains a solid commitment to inter-parliamentary cooperation that recognises the important role of the European and Canadian **parliaments** in EU-Canada relations, especially through the inter-parliamentary delegation, **and to closer civil-society cooperation**;

Or. fr

Amendment 41

Adam Bielan

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1 – point e

Motion for a resolution

(e) to ensure that the agreement **contains** a **solid** commitment to inter-parliamentary cooperation that recognises the important role of the European Parliament and the Canadian Parliament in EU-Canada relations, especially through the long-established inter-parliamentary delegation;

Amendment

(e) to ensure that the agreement **includes** a commitment to inter-parliamentary cooperation that recognises the important role of the European Parliament and the Canadian Parliament in EU-Canada relations, especially through the long-established inter-parliamentary delegation;

Or. pl

Amendment 42

Renate Weber

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1 – point e a (new)

Motion for a resolution

(ea) to insist upon the swift resolution of the visa waiver issue, which is regrettably not applied to all EU Member States and imposes the visa requirement for Romanian, Bulgarian and Czech citizens;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 43
Andrey Kovatchev

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 – point e a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

(ea) to insist that the agreement contain solid commitment towards ensuring that all persons and enterprises from all EU member states have equal opportunities for cooperation with Canadian counterparts, particularly with regard to mobility;

Or. en