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Preparing for the World Humanitarian Summit: Challenges and opportunities
for humanitarian assistance
(2015/2051(INI))

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Amendment 1
Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Petras Auštrevičius

Draft opinion
Recital A

Draft opinion

A. whereas humanitarian crises almost invariably result in immense human suffering for the affected civilians, including threats and violations of international human rights and humanitarian law;

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 2
Judith Sargentini
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Recital A

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Or. en

Amendment 3
Javier Couso Permuy, Pablo Iglesias

Draft opinion
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Or. es

Amendment 4

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Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ba. whereas growing developments such as climate change, the prevalence and increased strength of natural disasters, rapid population growth, environmental degradation, numerous long-lasting and simultaneous conflicts with regional impact have increased the need for humanitarian responses throughout the globe;

Or. en

Amendment 5

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Recital B b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Bb. whereas the current humanitarian system has reached its maximum capacity and faces growing shortages in funding

due to the multitude of humanitarian emergencies; whereas the renewed commitment to the 0.7% aid target and the timely delivery on pledges are all the more important;

Or. en

Amendment 6
Judith Sargentini
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Recital B c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Bc. whereas threats and attacks on humanitarian personnel are increasing, particularly in conflict settings;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Judith Sargentini
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Recital B d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Bd. whereas the four principles of humanitarian aid - humanity, impartiality, neutrality and operational independence - are the defining features of humanitarian action; whereas the misuse of these core principles for political or non-strictly humanitarian purposes entails considerable human costs and undermines the entire humanitarian system;

Or. en

Amendment 8
Andrey Kovatchev, Therese Comodini Cachia

Draft opinion
Recital B a (new)

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Amendment

Ba. whereas dealing with humanitarian crisis needs to strike a balance between "efficiency gains" and "preserving values";

Or. en

Amendment 9
Javier Couso Permuy, Pablo Iglesias

Draft opinion
Recital B a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Ba. whereas humanitarian crises, including natural disasters, are ultimately the result of human action (mainly the exploitation of natural resources and the devastation caused by big business) in contributing to climate change and infringing human rights;

Or. es

Amendment 10
Kinga Gál

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

Draft opinion

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Or. en

Amendment 11

Judith Sargentini

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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1. Encourages the global community convening in the World Humanitarian Summit to adopt a rights-based approach to humanitarian action, with the objective of finding better ways to protect civilians, identify threats and vulnerabilities, and monitor violations of human rights and international humanitarian law, thus helping strengthen the fight against impunity; expresses its conviction that upholding the universality of human rights and reinforcing shared understanding by all actors involved in humanitarian action also strengthens the core humanitarian principles of neutrality and ***inclusiveness***;

Amendment

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upholding of and the continued commitment to the core humanitarian principles is critical to ensure a humanitarian space in areas of conflict and natural disasters;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Ignazio Corrao

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1

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Or. en

Amendment 13
Ignazio Corrao

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Welcomes the UN initiative to gather intel from all over the world to find out

what and how to go about saving and protecting more people from the impact of natural disasters and conflict and congratulates the organisation of 8 regional consultations that involve consultations with representatives from government, civil society, NGOs, volunteer networks, local businesses, religious networks, and also, the initiative of the online consultations;

Or. en

Amendment 14
Ignazio Corrao

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Considering the role of the World Humanitarian Summit may play in the future of humanitarian action, it is of utmost importance that the international community uses this opportunity to reaffirm the shared value of humanitarian principles of humanity, neutrality, impartiality and independence;

Or. en

Amendment 15
Urmas Paet

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Calls on States to give full support to the International Criminal Court in identifying crimes against humanity and prosecuting those responsible, so as to prevent impunity;

Amendment 16
Urmas Paet

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Calls on the UN Security Council to stop using the veto in the case of resolutions concerning humanitarian disasters and crimes against humanity;

Or. et

Amendment 17
Andi Cristea

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Encourages the global actors to incorporate the humanitarian responses into human rights monitoring and reporting mechanisms;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Javier Couso Permuy, Pablo Iglesias

Draft opinion
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Rejects any military intervention under the pretext of either humanitarian aid to crisis-hit areas or the responsibility to protect; stresses that recent

interventions in Libya or Syria, and previous action such as in Iraq and Afghanistan, have served only to aggravate humanitarian crises and the desperate state of human rights in those countries;

Or. es

Amendment 19
Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Petras Auštrevičius

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

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2. Stresses that, especially in protracted conflicts and crises where civilians are displaced for long periods of time, humanitarian action can play a crucial role in the empowerment of the affected populations, by providing them with a stronger voice and recognising their rights and capabilities, including creating a more active role for local actors in humanitarian action;

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Or. en

Amendment 20
Judith Sargentini
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Or. en

Amendment 21
Andi Cristea

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

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Or. en

Amendment 22
Cătălin Sorin Ivan

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2

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2. Stresses that, especially in protracted conflicts and crises where civilians are displaced for long periods of time, humanitarian action ***can play a crucial*** role in the empowerment of the affected populations, by providing them with a stronger voice and recognising their rights and capabilities, ***including creating a more active role for local actors in*** humanitarian action;

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2. Stresses that, especially in protracted conflicts and crises where civilians are displaced for long periods of time, humanitarian action ***should have a proactive*** role in the empowerment of the affected populations by providing them with a stronger voice and recognising their rights and capabilities, ***and also launching a call to local actors to play a more active role in*** humanitarian action;

Or. en

Amendment 23
Elena Valenciano

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Reaffirms the essential need to protect humanitarian workers in the field, which are increasingly becoming a target in conflicts; encourages the international community to redouble its efforts to ensure the unimpeded access of humanitarian aid to all the populations at risk;

Or. en

Amendment 24
Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Petras Auštrevičius

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Condemns the consistent thwarting of attempts to deliver humanitarian aid and

calls on all parties involved in the different conflicts to respect the provision of humanitarian aid and assistance through all possible channels, including across borders and conflict lines, and to ensure the safety of all medical personnel and humanitarian workers in line with the various UNSC resolutions;

Or. en

Amendment 25
Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. Stresses the centrality of the protection of civilians within the EU's comprehensive regional strategy and the need to keep separate humanitarian from military/counter-terrorism efforts; emphasizes the interlinkage between conflict and humanitarian suffering and radicalization;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Judith Sargentini
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Paragraph 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. Expresses concern at the blurring of distinction between humanitarian and military actors and the co-optation of humanitarian action for military or political ends, which undermines and endangers genuine humanitarian

operations and their staff; in this regard, regrets that the role of the military in relation to humanitarian aid was not addressed in the recent Commission Communication on the World Humanitarian Summit;

Or. en

Amendment 27
Andi Cristea

Draft opinion
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Underlines the necessity to provide nutrition, water, shelter, sanitation and medical treatment, these representing the utmost significance in humanitarian aid; calls for minimum humanitarian standards that should be maintained throughout intervention;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Andrey Kovatchev, Therese Comodini Cachia

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

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Amendment

3. Highlights the central role that women play in the survival and resilience of communities in humanitarian crises, including in conflict and post-conflict situations; emphasises the need to address the specific needs and to ensure the rights of women and children, who constitute the majority of those affected, and are more severely affected, by humanitarian crises; calls on the World Humanitarian Summit

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to **make** the gender perspective **a central element** in the future design of the humanitarian system that emerges from this consultation process;

to **fully reflect** the gender perspective in the future design of the humanitarian system that emerges from this consultation process;

Or. en

Amendment 29
Arne Gericke

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3

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3. Highlights the central role that women play in the survival and resilience of communities in humanitarian crises, including in conflict and post-conflict situations; emphasises the need to address the specific needs and to ensure the rights of women **and children**, who constitute the majority of those affected, and are more severely affected, by humanitarian crises; calls on the World Humanitarian Summit to make the **gender perspective** a central element in the future design of the humanitarian system that emerges from this consultation process;

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3. Highlights the central role that women play in the survival and resilience of communities in humanitarian crises, including in conflict and post-conflict situations; emphasises the need to address the specific needs and to ensure the rights of women, **children and families** who constitute the majority of those affected, and are more severely affected, by humanitarian crises; calls on the World Humanitarian Summit to make the **care of women, children and families** a central element in the future design of the humanitarian system that emerges from this consultation process;

Or. en

Amendment 30
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situations; emphasises the need to address the specific needs and to ensure the rights of women and children, who constitute the majority of those affected, and are more severely affected, by humanitarian crises; ***notes that gender-based violence is one of the most widespread but least recognised human rights abuses in the world and is at the heart of women's and girls' marginalization; underlines that violence against women and girls is a key obstacle to gender equality***; calls on the World Humanitarian Summit to make the gender perspective a central element in the future design of the humanitarian system that emerges from this consultation process;

Or. en

Amendment 31
Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Petras Auštrevičius

Draft opinion
Paragraph 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Reminds that women and girls who are pregnant as a result of rape must receive appropriate support and be provided access to the full range of sexual and reproductive health services, as reflected in international humanitarian law and international human rights law;

Or. en

Amendment 32
Andrey Kovatchev, Therese Comodini Cachia

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

4. Calls for serious attention aimed at effectively ensuring the right to education in protracted humanitarian crises, the lack of which threatens to endanger the future of children;

Amendment

4. Calls for serious attention aimed at effectively ensuring the right to education in protracted humanitarian crises, the lack of which threatens to endanger the future of children; ***highlights the importance of continuous education in safeguarding shared values such as human dignity, freedom of expression, democracy, equality and the rule of law; in this regard calls for sufficient financial and human resources to be set aside;***

Or. en

Amendment 33
Andi Cristea

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4

Draft opinion

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4. Calls for serious attention aimed at effectively ensuring the right to education in protracted humanitarian crises, the lack of which threatens to endanger the future of children ***and the further development of the society;***

Or. en

Amendment 34
Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Petras Auštrevičius

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Is extremely concerned about the risks of epidemics associated to dire sanitation conditions and the limited access to safe

drinking water, which its inextricably linked to the right to life and human dignity and to the need for an adequate standard of living, particularly in communal and informal settlements;

Or. en

Amendment 35

Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Petras Auštrevičius

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4b. Remembers the Resolution adopted by the General Assembly of the UN on 28 July 2010 recognises the right to safe and clean drinking water and sanitation as a human right that is essential for the full enjoyment of life and all human rights;

Or. en

Amendment 36

Judith Sargentini

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Underlines that, climate change is an increasing factor of humanitarian crises and calls on the global community to take urgent action to address the root causes of this phenomenon, including the over-utilization of natural resources and the destruction of the ecological system;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Petras Auštrevičius

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4c. Expresses its concerns on the raising number of climate refugees, which are triggered by droughts, famines, and deteriorating health and living standards; calls for a new generation of human rights protection tools to help protect people seeking safety abroad;

Or. en

Amendment 38
Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Petras Auštrevičius

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4d. Underlines the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of health is one of the fundamental rights of every human being; in this regards, stresses its concerns over the lack of access to essential medicines in humanitarian crisis; calls on the EU to take lead role ensuring appropriate provision of essential medicines in the context of humanitarian crisis;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Andi Cristea

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Stresses the necessity to promote easily accessible health services;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Judith Sargentini
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Welcomes the key role of UN-OCHA in the coordination of humanitarian interventions around the world; stresses in this context that coordination of humanitarian action should be a means towards improved operational effectiveness rather than a source of additional impediments on aid delivery;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Arne Gericke

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Asks to discuss the creation of UN-coordinated supplementary emergency centres in any remote area around the Globe to guarantee the quickest supply of technical resources like satellite communication systems, accommodation tents and containers which serve as clinics in close cooperation with NGOs.

Amendment 42
Judith Sargentini
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4b. Underlines that an international response should build on existing local or national initiatives and partnerships rather than creating parallel efforts; insists on the importance of strengthening local and regional capacity for the delivery of humanitarian assistance and of providing for inclusive processes where local authorities, civil society, the private sector and the affected populations are included in the planning process;

Or. en

Amendment 43
Aldo Patriciello

Draft opinion
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

4a. Calls for particular attention to be devoted to safeguarding the cultural heritage of humanity in armed conflicts; calls on the EU therefore to advocate measures to this effect at the first World Humanitarian Summit; recommends proposing to the international community that special UN bodies be set up to protect archaeological and historic heritage sites which are at risk, in order to preserve our roots for future generations;

Amendment 44
Andrey Kovatchev, Therese Comodini Cachia

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

Draft opinion

5. Draws attention to the fact that displacement due to conflicts, natural disasters or environmental degradation leaves certain populations particularly vulnerable; stresses that refugees, internally displaced persons, victims of trafficking and other migrants caught in crisis must be afforded the same protection of their human rights as all other affected groups; expresses its deep concern regarding the unprecedentedly high number of refugees in the world today, and calls on the global community to use the World Humanitarian Summit to mobilise the necessary financial and operational resources to meet this challenge; calls on the EU and its Member States to prioritise the global refugee crisis in its policies and positions regarding the Summit;

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5. Draws attention to the fact that displacement due to conflicts, natural disasters or environmental degradation leaves certain populations particularly vulnerable; stresses that refugees, internally displaced persons, victims of trafficking and other migrants caught in crisis must be afforded the same protection of their human rights as all other affected groups; expresses its deep concern regarding the unprecedentedly high number of refugees in the world today, and calls on the global community to use the World Humanitarian Summit to mobilise the necessary financial and operational resources to meet this challenge ***by specifically focusing on its root causes; highlights the importance of interreligious and intercultural dialogues in tackling massive refugee flows***; calls on the EU and its Member States to prioritise the global refugee crisis in its policies and positions regarding the Summit; ***with this in view, urges the World Humanitarian Summit to call for more efficient ways to combat human trafficking, clamp down on recruitment and funding for terrorist groups by preventing and suppressing recruiting, organizing, transporting, and equipping of terrorist fighters, and the financing of their travel and activities***;

Amendment 45
Ramona Nicole Mănescu

Draft opinion
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underlines the necessity and importance of rapid action together with a long-term concrete and comprehensive action plan to be applied in cooperation with third countries, local, national and regional actors, for an effective and efficient approach of the organised criminal networks of the migrants smugglers.

Or. en

Amendment 46
Angel Dzhambazki

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5

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displacement due to conflicts, natural disasters or environmental degradation leaves certain populations particularly vulnerable; stresses that refugees, internally displaced persons, victims of trafficking and other migrants caught in **crises that endanger their lives** must be afforded **suitable** protection of their human rights; expresses its deep concern regarding the unprecedentedly high number of refugees, **externally displaced persons and migrants** in the world today, and calls on the global community to use the World Humanitarian Summit to mobilise the necessary financial and operational resources to meet this challenge; calls on the EU and its Member States to prioritise the global refugee crisis in its policies and positions regarding the Summit **with a view to tackling the consequences of, and underlying reasons for, this flood of refugees**;

Or. bg

Amendment 47
Javier Couso Permuy, Pablo Iglesias

Draft opinion
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resources to meet this challenge; calls on the EU and its Member States to prioritise the global refugee crisis in its policies and positions regarding the Summit;

resources to meet this challenge; calls on the EU and its Member States to prioritise the global refugee crisis in its policies and positions regarding the Summit;
underlines the responsibility of host countries to submit the necessary documentation, safeguard human rights and thus respect the right to asylum of refugees; is alarmed at the stance taken by certain countries concerning the reception of refugees; stresses that if the EU does not take its responsibilities seriously it will be failing in its duty to assist people in danger, and thus be in breach of international law.

Or. es

Amendment 48
Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Petras Auštrevičius

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

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Amendment

5a. Notes that the Article 14(1) of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) guarantees the right to seek and enjoy asylum in other countries, and the obligation of States not to refoule, or return, a refugee, is known as the principle of non-refoulement;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Andi Cristea

Draft opinion
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. Stresses the importance of curbing the

exploitation, the abuse of power, and sexual violence against civilians in disaster settings;

Or. en

Amendment 50
Andrey Kovatchev, Therese Comodini Cachia

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

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6. Urges the EU to show leadership in the World Humanitarian Summit by calling for more flexible methods for delivering humanitarian aid, as well as for *proactive* tools to prevent crises; urges the EU and other donors to stay true to their financial commitments and to develop ways to reduce the time it takes to convert financial commitments into actions on the ground; points out, in addition, the importance of human rights reporting as an early warning mechanism for crises, and encourages the World Humanitarian Summit to take this into account when moving from a culture of reaction to a culture of prevention;

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Or. en

Amendment 51
Ramona Nicole Mănescu

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Amendment 52
Arne Gericke

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 53
Aldo Patriciello

Draft opinion
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Or. it

Amendment 54
Javier Couso Permuy, Pablo Iglesias

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6

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Or. es

Amendment 55

Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Petras Auštrevičius

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6b. Calls on all the conflict parties to comply with IHL, ensure that civilians are protected, that they have unhindered access to medical facilities and humanitarian assistance, and that they are able to safely and with dignity leave

areas affected by violence;

Or. en

Amendment 56

Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Petras Auštrevičius

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6c. Is convinced that immediate humanitarian assistance and protection needs to be an integral part of long-term strategies to mitigate the human suffering caused by the conflicts, and in support of the socio economic rights and livelihood opportunities of returnees, internally displaced and refugees including women, to ensure enhanced leadership and participation, with a view to empowering them to choose durable solutions that correspond to their needs;

Or. en

Amendment 57

Ignazio Corrao

Draft opinion

Paragraph 6 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6b. Urges the EU and other donors to review and design all humanitarian policies in compliance with the humanitarian principles and enhance existing commitments for good donor practices such as the GHD principles;

Or. en

Amendment 58
Ignazio Corrao

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6c. Reaffirm and protect the fundamental right for affected populations to access humanitarian aid;

Or. en

Amendment 59
Ignazio Corrao

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 d (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6d. Calls the EU and other donors to allow and support full unimpeded access to all people in need of assistance and promote the safety, protection and freedom of movement of humanitarian personnel;

Or. en

Amendment 60
Javier Couso Permuy, Pablo Iglesias

Draft opinion
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Notes the willingness to include the private sector in solving the humanitarian crisis; stresses the responsibility of all states to ensure the development and security of their population; highlights the responsibility of big business in causing

these crises, whether by contributing to climate change, exploiting resources or infringing human rights; endorses UNHRC Resolution 26/9 of 26 June 2014, concerning corporate responsibility and the need for an internationally legally binding instrument to regulate the activities of companies and punish those guilty of human rights violations; supports in this connection the need for taxation of companies with a view to preventing humanitarian crises in the countries in which they are based and ensuring the equitable distribution of wealth;

Or. es

Amendment 61
Andrey Kovatchev, Therese Comodini Cachia

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7

Draft opinion

7. Encourages all the EU institutions, and in particular the Commission's DG ECHO, as well as the Member States, to study the experience acquired in integrating human rights concerns into the core of humanitarian aid efforts within the UN system, and calls on the EU to take on a stronger role in advancing and improving this process; stresses the importance of ensuring policy coherence and coordination between EU humanitarian aid and development aid, in the new situation in which the EU has adopted a rights-based approach to development cooperation; deeply regrets, in this sense, that the Commission's toolkit for a rights-based approach to development cooperation **explicitly** excludes EU humanitarian action; calls on the Commission, therefore, to commit to developing and adopting, as part of its engagement with the World Humanitarian Summit, a rights-based

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Or. en

Amendment 62

Arne Gericke

Draft opinion

Paragraph 7

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Or. en

Amendment 63

Ramona Nicole Mănescu

Draft opinion

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Or. en

Amendment 64

Judith Sargentini

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion

Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7a. Calls on the EU and its Member States to take on a more equitable share in the global efforts to hosting refugees, to step

up their contributions to the EU Regional Trust Fund in Response to the Syrian Crisis (Madad) and to contribute to the forthcoming Emergency Trust Fund, as well as to provide further support to countries or regions hosting those fleeing from conflict; underlines that migrants must be offered the same level of protection of their rights as guaranteed to all other groups in times of crises; calls for attention to be paid to particularly vulnerable groups, such as migrants, stateless persons and refugees, that are often neglected in the humanitarian debate;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Judith Sargentini
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7b. Deplores the negative impact of counter-terrorism measures on humanitarian action, including increased administrative procedures for procurement or vetting of partners, which may significantly impede aid delivery to populations in areas where armed groups designated as terrorists may be active; insists that counter-terrorism measures should not undermine humanitarian efforts;

Or. en

Amendment 66
Judith Sargentini
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion
Paragraph 7 c (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

7c. Calls for the universal ratification of all international instruments pertaining to the protection of civilians, including the 1951 Geneva Refugee Convention; insists on the importance of incorporating international humanitarian law (IHL) into domestic legislation; stresses the need to monitor the application of IHL and to hold perpetrators of violations, including Non State Actors, to account; calls on the EU and its Member States to provide their strong support to the future IHL compliance mechanism and to carry out effective reporting on grave violations, particularly through EU Delegations, Member States' Missions and EU CSDP missions;

Or. en