

Amendment 3

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Paragraph 4

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4. Welcomes the adoption of the EU strategic framework for human rights on 25 June 2012; urges the EU institutions to work together to ensure its timely and proper implementation in order to credibly meet the EU treaty commitment to pursue external policies based on human rights, democratic values and the rule of law in a principled and unfaltering manner by avoiding double standards;

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4. Welcomes the adoption of the EU strategic framework for human rights on 25 June 2012; urges the EU institutions to work together to ensure its timely and proper implementation in order to credibly meet the EU treaty commitment to pursue external policies based on human rights, democratic values and the rule of law in a principled and unfaltering manner by avoiding double standards; ***stresses that, for the EU to be a credible actor in external relations, it must act consistently to enhance the effectiveness of its human rights policies;***

Or. en

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Amendment 4

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Paragraph 12 a (new)

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***12a. Stresses the importance of, and
strong support for, the EU's active
participation in the work of the UNHRC
by means of co-sponsoring resolutions,
issuing statements and participation in
interactive dialogues and debates;***

Or. en

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Amendment 5

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Paragraph 16 a (new)

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Amendment

***16a. Recalls the need for sufficient
funding to keep the regional offices of the
Office of the United Nations High
Commissioner for Human Rights
(OHCHR) open;***

Or. en

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Paragraph 16 b (new)

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***16b. Recalls the adoption by the UN
General Assembly of Resolution 65/276
on the participation of the EU in the work
of the UN, recognising it as a modest start
to the greater endeavour of upgrading the
role of the Union in the human rights
work of that organisation;***

Or. en

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Paragraph 20

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20. Celebrates the 10th anniversary of the entry into force of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC); recognises the ICC as a mechanism of 'last resort', which is responsible for the enforcement of justice for the victims of crimes against humanity, genocide and war crimes, as laid down by the principle of complementarity in the Rome Statute;

Amendment

20. Celebrates the 10th anniversary of the entry into force of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC); **welcomes its ratification by Cape Verde and Vanuatu;** recognises the ICC as a mechanism of 'last resort', which is responsible for the enforcement of justice for the victims of crimes against humanity, genocide and war crimes, as laid down by the principle of complementarity in the Rome Statute;

Or. en

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Paragraph 32 a (new)

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Amendment

32a. Recalls that in order to avoid human rights breaches in the first place, respect for international law must be at the core of any EU strategy aiming to enhance human rights and democracy in the world, particularly in its relationships with those partners that are parties to an armed or frozen conflict; recalls the need to end any EU support to parties to a conflict, whether financial, logistical or tactical, including through the supply of weapons, munitions or any other type of military equipment, as laid down in the EU Common Position on arms exports;

Or. en

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Paragraph 49

Motion for a resolution

49. Emphasises the mutually reinforcing nature of human rights and democracy, as it is through respect for human rights that societies create the free political space needed for peaceful democratic contestation; welcomes in this regard the increased EU focus on democracy ***promotion***, as illustrated by the recently established European Endowment for Democracy;

Amendment

49. Emphasises the mutually reinforcing nature of human rights and democracy, as it is through respect for human rights that societies create the free political space needed for peaceful democratic contestation; welcomes in this regard the increased EU focus on democracy ***support*** as illustrated by the recently established European Endowment for Democracy;

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Paragraph 56 a (new)

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Amendment

***56a. Recommends that human rights
country strategies be made public; stresses
that public strategies would provide
visibility to the EU's commitment to
human rights in third countries and
provide support to those struggling to
exercise and protect their human rights;***

Or. en

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Amendment 11

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Paragraph 61 b (new)

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Amendment

61b. Calls once again on the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and on the Member States to endeavour to establish a common EU position on the action to be taken on the report by the UN fact-finding mission headed by Judge Goldstone on the Gaza conflict in the south of Israel, and to endeavour to ensure that its recommendations, including those concerning the assignment of responsibilities for all violations of international law including alleged war crimes, are effectively implemented;

Or. en

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Amendment 12

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Paragraph 63 a (new)

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***63a. Recalls the important role played by
the trade unions; refers to the Charter of
Fundamental Rights of the European
Union, especially its Article 12 (freedom
of assembly and of association), Article 27
(workers' right to information and
consultation within the undertaking),
Article 28 (right of collective bargaining
and action) and Article 29 (right of access
to placement services);***

Or. en

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Amendment 13

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Paragraph 95

Motion for a resolution

95. Welcomes the assessment by human rights organisations that the use of the death penalty in 2011 broadly confirms the global trend towards abolition; regrets, however, that there was a significant increase in executions in Iran, Iraq and Saudi Arabia; expresses serious disappointment at the refusal of China to disclose credible information about its use of death penalty and executions that, according to Amnesty International, number in the thousands; welcomes the abolition of the death penalty in the US state of Illinois but regrets that the United States continues to execute people despite being the only G8 country to do so in 2011; recalls with concern that Belarus is the only European country to continue use the death penalty; urges the EU and its Member States consistently to bring this issue up as a matter of priority in their dialogues with these countries;

Amendment

95. Welcomes the assessment by human rights organisations that the use of the death penalty in 2011 broadly confirms the global trend towards abolition; **welcomes Thailand's abolition of the death penalty for offenders under 18**; regrets, however, that there was a significant increase in executions in Iran, Iraq, **Afghanistan** and Saudi Arabia; expresses serious disappointment at the refusal of China to disclose credible information about its use of death penalty and executions that, according to Amnesty International, number in the thousands; welcomes the abolition of the death penalty in the US state of Illinois but regrets that the United States continues to execute people despite being the only G8 country to do so in 2011; recalls with concern that Belarus is the only European country to continue use the death penalty; urges the EU and its Member States consistently to bring this issue up as a matter of priority in their dialogues with these countries;

Or. en

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Paragraph 95 a (new)

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Amendment

95a. Declares that the EU, which has in the past been successful in fighting the death penalty in specific cases, should take a more decisive stand and call on the institutions and the Member States to maintain and step up their commitment to this cause and their political will, in order to see the death penalty finally abolished worldwide;

Or. es

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 106***Motion for a resolution**Amendment*

106. Requires the Member States to vigorously oppose any attempt to undermine the concept of universality, indivisibility and interdependence of human rights and to actively encourage the UNHRC to pay equal attention to the question of discrimination on all grounds, including gender, race, age, sexual orientation religion or belief; Strongly regrets that homosexuality remains criminalised in 78 states, including five in which it is subject to the death penalty; calls on these states to decriminalise homosexuality without delay, to free those imprisoned on the basis of their sexual orientation or gender identity and not to execute them; calls on the EEAS to make full use of the LGBT Toolkit to protect the rights of LGBTI people; calls on the Council to work towards binding guidelines in this area; calls on the EEAS and Member States to assist LGBTI human rights defenders in countries where they are at risk, and calls on the VP/HR and the EU Special Representative on Human Rights to continue making clear the European Union's firm commitment to equality and non-discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity and

106. Requires the Member States to vigorously oppose any attempt to undermine the concept of universality, indivisibility and interdependence of human rights and to actively encourage the UNHRC to pay equal attention to the question of discrimination on all grounds, including gender, **gender identity**, race, age, sexual orientation **and** religion or belief; Strongly regrets that homosexuality remains criminalised in 78 states, including five in which it is subject to the death penalty; calls on these states to decriminalise homosexuality without delay, to free those imprisoned on the basis of their sexual orientation or gender identity and not to execute them; calls on the EEAS to make full use of the LGBT Toolkit to protect the rights of LGBTI people; calls on the Council to work towards binding guidelines in this area; calls on the EEAS and Member States to assist LGBTI human rights defenders in countries where they are at risk, and calls on the VP/HR and the EU Special Representative on Human Rights to continue making clear the European Union's firm commitment to equality and non-discrimination based on sexual

gender expression in the world, including by launching and supporting initiatives at bilateral, international and UN level on these matters; repeats its call on the Commission to issue a roadmap for equality on grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity;

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Paragraph 107

Motion for a resolution

107. Calls on the Member States to grant asylum to people fleeing persecution in countries where **LGBT** people are criminalised, on the basis of applicants' well-founded fears of persecution, and relying on their self-identification as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or intersex;

Amendment

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Or. en

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Paragraph 122

Motion for a resolution

122. Urges the EU to enhance its action to end the practices of female genital mutilation (FGM), early and forced marriages, honour killings, and gender-selective abortion; insists that these policies should be essential elements in EU approach to development cooperation; stresses the importance of adequate access to medical means, and of information and education about sexual and reproductive health and rights, to the wellbeing of women and girls in all countries;

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Or. en

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Paragraph 124 a (new)

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Amendment

***124a. Recalls the UN Human Rights
Council Resolution 11/8 entitled
'Preventable maternal mortality and
morbidity and human rights', which
affirms that the prevention of maternal
mortality and morbidity requires the
effective promotion and protection of the
human rights of women and girls, in
particular their rights to life, education,
information and health; stresses that the
EU must therefore play an important role
in contributing to the decline of
preventable complications occurring
before, during and after pregnancy and
childbirth;***

Or. en