

Amendment 1**Hélène Flautre, Franziska Keller**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution**B7-0189/2012****Ria Oomen-Ruijten**

on behalf of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

2011 Progress Report on Turkey

Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 14***Motion for a resolution*

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*to the Lanzarote Convention, both of
which have been ratified by Turkey;*

Or. en

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Paragraph 17

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Paragraph 32

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32. Urges the Government to ensure that equality, regardless of gender, gender identity, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation, is guaranteed by the law and effectively enforced, including respect by the police; calls on the Government of Turkey to align Turkish law with the *acquis communautaire* and to adopt legislation establishing an anti-discrimination and equality board; notes the need for further action against homophobia, and any kind of discrimination, harassment or violence on grounds of sexual orientation or gender identity; expresses deep concern at the regular prosecution of LGBT people on the basis of the Law on Misdemeanours and provisions on ‘immoral behaviour’; reiterates its call on the Government of Turkey to instruct the Turkish Armed Forces to end their classification of homosexuality as a ‘psychosexual illness’;

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Paragraph 39

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39. Strongly supports the ongoing negotiations on the reunification of Cyprus under the auspices of the Secretary-General of the United Nations; stresses that a fair and viable settlement of the Cyprus issue must now be reached as a matter of urgency and calls on Turkey and all the parties concerned to work intensively and with good will for a comprehensive agreement; calls on the Government of Turkey to begin withdrawing its forces from Cyprus and to transfer Famagusta to the United Nations in accordance with Resolution 550 (1984) of the United Nations Security Council; calls, in parallel, on the Republic of Cyprus to open the port of Famagusta under EU customs supervision in order to promote a positive climate for the successful solution of the ongoing reunification negotiations and allow Turkish Cypriots to trade directly in a legal manner that is acceptable to all;

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Paragraph 38

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Paragraph 48

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48. Deplores Turkey's refusal to fulfil its obligation of full, non-discriminatory implementation of the Additional Protocol to the EC-Turkey Association Agreement towards all Member States; recalls that this refusal continues to deeply affect the process of negotiations, and calls on the Government of Turkey to implement the protocol in full without further delay;

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Or. en

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Paragraph 50 a (new)

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50a. Considers it regrettable that the very promising ‘Oslo talks’ aimed at resolving the Kurdish issue were abandoned; deplores the new phase of violent escalation and the misuse of the Penal Code to criminalise peaceful Kurdish commentators, politicians, activists and demonstrators; considers the Uludere tragedy, which caused the deaths of 35 unarmed victims, as proof of the limits of combating terrorism solely by means of security forces; encourages the revival of a political solution through the establishment of a high-level dialogue aimed at ending the current spiral of violence;

Or. en

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Paragraph 51 a (new)

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Amendment

51a. Is concerned by Turkey's continued arbitrary refusal of access to the asylum procedure, and by the practice of non-refoulement of refugees, asylum-seekers and other people who may be in need of protection; calls on the Turkish Grand National Assembly to pass a comprehensive, non-discriminatory law, consistent with international standards, on the reception and right to protection of all refugees, asylum-seekers and other people who may be in need of protection within Turkey's jurisdiction;

Or. en

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Paragraph 51 b (new)

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51b. Is deeply concerned by the persistent violations of the human rights of refugees, asylum-seekers and migrants on both sides of the land and sea borders between Greece and Turkey, where FRONTEX forces are also operating; considers the Greek authorities' plan to build a 12.5 km wall along the border with Turkey to be an inappropriate measure for addressing migration flows;

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Paragraph 54

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