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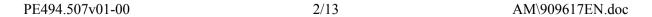
Draft report Vital Moreira(PE483.808v01-00)

on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of a Protocol to the Euro Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel of the other part, on Conformity Assessment and Acceptance of Industrial Products (CAA)

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Amendment 1 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Citation 1 a new

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

- having regard to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part, ("the Association Agreement"), which entered into force on 20 November 1995;

Or. en

Amendment 2 Laima Liucija Andrikienė

Proposal for a recommendation Citation 3 a new

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

- having regard to the Oral Question O-000129/2012 tabled by INTA and AFET Committees whereby the Commissioner was asked to define the scope of the territorial competence of the Israeli Responsible Authority;

Or. en

Amendment 3 Laima Liucija Andrikienė

Proposal for a recommendation Citation 3 b new

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Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

- having regard to the replies to the Oral Question given by Commissioner De Gucht in Plenary Session on 3 July 2012 where the Commission clarified all the concerns of INTA and AFET Committees,

Or. en

Amendment 4 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Recital A

Proposal for a recommendation

A. Whereas the Treaties oblige the European Union, in its External Action, to be guided by the principles which inspired its own creation, including inter alia the universality and indivisibility of human rights and fundamental freedoms, respect for human dignity and respect for the United Nations Charter and international law;

Amendment

A. Whereas Article 207(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union states that the common commercial policy shall be conducted in the context of the principles and objectives of the Union's external action, thus increasing the Union's economic influence in the world;

Or. en

Amendment 5 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Recital A a (new)

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

Aa. Whereas the trading partnership between the Union and Israel is mutually beneficial, the Union being Israel's major source of imports and its second largest market for exports behind the United

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States:

Or. en

Amendment 6 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Recital A b (new)

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

Ab. Whereas the Union and Israel, in conformity with their membership in the World Trade Organization, have set up a strategic framework for cooperation under the European Neighbourhood Policy Instrument over the period 2007-2013 to develop amongst other things, trade and investment flows and regulatory approximation;

Or. en

Amendment 7 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Recital B

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

B. Whereas the Treaties further oblige the European Union to ensure consistency in its External Action, namely between the Common Foreign and Security Policy and the Common Trade Policy;

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Or. en

Amendment 8 Robert Sturdy

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Proposal for a recommendation Recital C

Proposal for a recommendation

C. Whereas the *EU-Israel* Association Agreement, to which the Protocol is attached, is itself based on respect for human rights and democratic principles, which guides the respective Parties' internal and international policies;

Amendment

C. Whereas the purpose of the Protocol attached to the Association Agreement is to facilitate the elimination by the Parties of technical barriers to trade in respect of certain industrial products, listed in the Annexes to this Protocol and forming an integral part of it;

Or. en

Amendment 9 Christofer Fjellner

Proposal for a recommendation Recital D

Proposal for a recommendation

D. Whereas the European Parliament, in its resolution of 4 September 2008, stated its belief that the upgrading of EU-Israel relations should be consistent with and linked to Israel's compliance with all obligations under international law;

Amendment

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Or. sv

Amendment 10 Laima Liucija Andrikienė

Proposal for a recommendation Recital D a (new)

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

Da. Whereas the CAA is a trade agreement that seeks to eliminate technical barriers to trade in industrial

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products;

Or. en

Amendment 11 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Recital D a (new)

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

Da. Whereas the European Parliament, in its resolution of the 29th September 2011, stressed again that peaceful and non-violent means are the only way to achieve a sustainable solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict;

Or. en

Amendment 12 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Recital D b (new)

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

Db. Whereas any means aimed at holding this trade-related Protocol hostage to subjective and over-politicised views could undermine the achievement of a sustainable solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict;

Or. en

Amendment 13 Christofer Fjellner

Proposal for a recommendation

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Recital E

Proposal for a recommendation

E. Whereas the enhancing of the trade partnership between the EU and Israel that would result from the application of the Protocol would not be consistent with the Union's firm condemnation of Israeli policy vis-à-vis the Palestinians, namely in what regards the Gaza economic blockade, which amounts to a collective punishment of the whole population of the territory, the continuation of the settlements on the occupied territories, the annexation of East Jerusalem and the breach of fundamental rights of the Palestinians, namely the right to their land, freedom of movement, freedom to work, and, of course, their right to selfdetermination;

Amendment

E. Whereas the enhancing of the trade partnership between the EU and Israel that would result from the application of the Protocol would mean increased competition in the pharmaceutical sector, which would benefit European consumers with regard to choice and prices.

Or. sv

Amendment 14 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Recital E

Proposal for a recommendation

E. Whereas the enhancing of the trade partnership between the EU and Israel that would result from the application of the Protocol would not be consistent with the Union's firm condemnation of Israeli policy vis-à-vis the Palestinians, namely in what regards the Gaza economic blockade, which amounts to a collective punishment of the whole population of the territory, the continuation of the settlements on the occupied territories, the annexation of East Jerusalem and the breach of fundamental rights of the Palestinians, namely the right to their

Amendment

E. Whereas the enhancing of the trade partnership between the EU and Israel that would result from the application of the Protocol would be based on two mechanisms; on the one hand, the recognition of equivalence in technical regulation, standardisation and conformity assessment for industrial products subject to equivalent regulation in Union law and the national law of the partner country, and, on the other hand, on the mutual acceptance of industrial products that fulfil the requirements to be lawfully placed on the market in one of

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land, freedom of movement, freedom to work, and, of course, their right to selfdetermination; the Parties;

Or. en

Amendment 15 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Recital E a (new)

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

Ea. Whereas under the mutual recognition mechanism, Israel has transposed the relevant EU acquis, with respect to good manufacturing practice (GMP) for pharmaceutical products into its own legislation, and Israel has participated in the relevant European organisations in this sector;

Or. en

Amendment 16 Christofer Fjellner

Proposal for a recommendation Recital F

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

F. Whereas, for the same reasons, the European Parliament has, since 2008, withheld consent to the Protocol on the participation of Israel in Community programs;

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Or. sv

Amendment 17 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Recital F

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

F. Whereas, for the same reasons, the European Parliament has, since 2008, withheld consent to the Protocol on the participation of Israel in Community programs;

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Or. en

Amendment 18 Laima Liucija Andrikienė

Proposal for a recommendation Recital F a (new)

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

Fa. Whereas the Protocol does not affect the EU's established policy that products manufactured in post-1967 territories of the State of Israel cannot benefit from preferential treatment under the Association Agreement;

Or. en

Amendment 19 Christofer Fjellner

Proposal for a recommendation Recital G

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

G. Whereas there are no signs of policy change on Israel's side that could be encouraged by a positive move of the EU

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in the trade front;

Or. sv

Amendment 20 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Recital G

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

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G. Whereas there are no signs of policy change on Israel's side that could be encouraged by a positive move of the EU in the trade front;

Or. en

Amendment 21 Christofer Fjellner

Proposal for a recommendation Recital H

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

H. Whereas, however, Parliament should be allowed to give itself a reasonable time before taking a definitive decision on the consent, in the hope that in the meantime the situation might be redressed;

Or. sv

Amendment 22 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Recital H

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

H. Whereas, however, Parliament should be allowed to give itself a reasonable time before taking a definitive decision on the consent, in the hope that in the meantime the situation might be redressed; deleted

Or. en

Amendment 23 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Paragraph 1

Proposal for a recommendation

1. Decides to suspend for two years the vote on the consent to the draft Council decision; this decision will be reviewed after that period has expired, or earlier in the event of a successful conclusion of the Israeli-Palestinian peace process;

Amendment

1. Consents to conclusion of the Protocol;

Or. en

Amendment 24 Laima Liucija Andrikienė

Proposal for a recommendation Paragraph 1

Proposal for a recommendation

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Amendment

1. Consents to conclusion of the Protocol;

Or. en

Amendment 25 Christofer Fjellner

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Amendment

1. Consents to conclusion of the Protocol;

Or. sv

Amendment 26 Robert Sturdy

Proposal for a recommendation Paragraph 1 a new

Proposal for a recommendation

Amendment

1a. Calls on the Commission to regularly report to the Parliament on any progress in the implementation of the Protocol;

Or. en