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# **AMENDMENTS**

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**Draft opinion**

**Maria Heubuch**

Statelessness in South and South East Asia  
(2016/2220(INI))



**Amendment 1**  
**Charles Goerens**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital B**

*Draft opinion*

B. whereas statelessness **has an important impact on** human rights **and** civil duties, access to land and property, services and social position; whereas **this** undermines the development prospects of affected populations and the effective implementation of the 2030 Agenda;

*Amendment*

B. whereas statelessness **is an element that has staggering consequences for** human rights, **development and international stability, as well as an important impact on** civil duties, access to land and property, services and social position; whereas **statelessness** undermines the development prospects of affected populations and the effective implementation of the 2030 Agenda;

Or. en

**Amendment 2**  
**Adam Szejnfeld**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital B**

*Draft opinion*

B. whereas statelessness has an important impact on human rights **and** civil **duties**, access **to** land and property, **services and** social position; whereas this undermines the development prospects of affected populations and the effective implementation of the 2030 Agenda;

*Amendment*

B. whereas statelessness has an important impact on human rights, **including** civil, **political and economic rights, and represents a major obstacle to** access **healthcare and education**, land and property, **as well as weakens** social position; whereas this undermines the development prospects of affected populations and the effective implementation of the 2030 Agenda **for Sustainable Development**;

Or. en

**Amendment 3**  
**Maria Heubuch**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital B**

*Draft opinion*

B. whereas statelessness has an important impact on human rights and civil duties, access to land and property, services and social position; whereas this undermines the development prospects of affected populations and the effective implementation of the 2030 Agenda;

*Amendment*

B. whereas statelessness has an important impact on human rights and civil duties, access to land and property, ***social security***, services, and social position; whereas this undermines the development prospects of affected populations and the effective implementation of the 2030 Agenda;

Or. en

**Amendment 4**  
**Charles Goerens**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital B a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***B a. whereas statelessness is a critical and often overlooked element of another global epidemic – child marriages; prevention and reduction of child marriage is a part of the moral and strategic imperative of gender equality which is essential to countries' economic development and political stability in the twenty first century;***

Or. en

**Amendment 5**  
**Charles Goerens**

**Draft opinion**  
**Recital B b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***B b. whereas the complex problem of statelessness remains on the outermost boundaries of international law and***

*policy, while it is not a marginal issue;*

Or. en

**Amendment 6**  
**Doru-Claudian Frunzulică, Nicola Caputo**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Draft opinion*

1. Emphasises the connections between statelessness and social and economic vulnerability; urges governments in developing countries to adopt equitable nationality laws and to implement accessible, affordable and non-discriminatory nationality documentation procedures;

*Amendment*

1. Emphasises the connections between statelessness and social and economic vulnerability; urges governments in developing countries to ***prevent denial, loss or deprivation of nationality on discriminatory grounds, to*** adopt equitable nationality laws and to implement accessible, affordable and non-discriminatory nationality documentation procedures;

Or. en

**Amendment 7**  
**Adam Szejnfeld**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***1 a. Welcomes the adoption of Sustainable Development Goal 16.9 that foresees providing legal identity and birth registration for all; regrets however that statelessness is not explicitly mentioned in the Agenda 2030 either as a ground for discrimination or as a poverty reduction target; calls on the EU and its Member States to consider including statelessness indicators in their monitoring and reporting mechanisms while implementing the SDGs;***

Or. en

**Amendment 8**  
**Adam Szejnfeld**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

3. Notes the link between statelessness and forced displacement; recalls that at least 1.5 million stateless persons in the world are refugees or former refugees;

*Amendment*

3. Notes the link between statelessness and forced displacement, ***in particular in conflict-affected regions***; recalls that at least 1.5 million stateless persons in the world are refugees or former refugees;

Or. en

**Amendment 9**  
**Charles Goerens**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

3. Notes the link between statelessness and forced displacement; recalls that at least 1.5 million stateless persons in the world are refugees or former refugees;

*Amendment*

3. Notes the link between statelessness and forced displacement; recalls that at least 1.5 million stateless persons in the world are refugees or former refugees, ***among which many young women and girls***;

Or. en

**Amendment 10**  
**Adam Szejnfeld**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

4. Recalls that statelessness in the ***region*** is largely unmapped and that existing data is based on different

*Amendment*

4. Recalls that statelessness in the ***world*** is largely unmapped and ***under-reported, and*** that existing data is based on

definitions; urges the international community to adopt a unified definition;

different definitions; urges the international community to adopt a unified definition ***and address the gaps in data collection for measuring statelessness in developing countries, notably by assisting local authorities in putting in place adequate methods to quantify, identify and register stateless persons, and to enhance their statistical capacities;***

Or. en

**Amendment 11**  
**Doru-Claudian Frunzulică, Nicola Caputo**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***4 a. Invites the European Commission to launch exchanges of good practices among Member States, encourages the active coordination of national statelessness contact points, and welcomes the IBelong Campaign;***

Or. en

**Amendment 12**  
**Doru-Claudian Frunzulică, Nicola Caputo**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4 b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

***4 b. Invites Member States to grant protection status to stateless migrants and facilitate their naturalization;***

Or. en

**Amendment 13**  
**Maria Heubuch**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5**

*Draft opinion*

5. ***Calls on*** the EU to address the impact of statelessness on development, peace and stability as an integral part of its development cooperation programmes and, more broadly, its external action.

*Amendment*

5. ***Welcomes*** the EU ***support to stateless persons in South and South East Asia through various instruments and encourages the Union to continue its efforts in order*** to address the impact of statelessness on development, peace and stability as an integral part of its development cooperation programmes and, more broadly, its external action.

Or. en