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### 1. Overview

The European Parliament's Committee on Foreign Affairs (AFET) is responsible for the promotion, implementation and monitoring of the Union's foreign policy. During the 8th legislature, under the chairmanship of Elmar Brok in the first half of the legislature, and David McAllister in the second half, the Committee through the work of its Members made a significant contribution to the definition of the EU's foreign and security policy. The Committee, with its two sub-committees on Human Rights (DROI) and Security and Defence (SEDE) adopted **143 Reports** in which foreign relations with third countries, international agreements, political associations, trade interests, granting visa liberalisation and financial support are balanced out against the state of democracy, rule of law and human rights. These points were also raised during our **30 hearings**, **5 workshops and 51 missions abroad**.

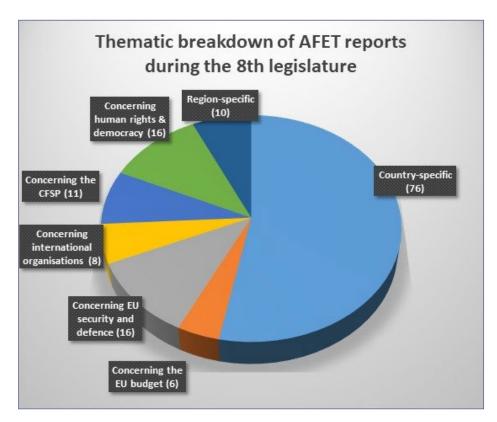


FIGURE 1: THEMATIC BREAKDOWN OF AFET REPORTS DURING THE EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE TERM

The Committee also provides political oversight and coordinates the work of joint parliamentary committees and parliamentary cooperation committees, as well as that of the inter-parliamentary delegations and ad hoc delegations falling within its remit.

The Members of the AFET Committee held 143 Committee meetings which taking into account their duration translates into 100 working days of Committee meetings. AFET held 293 exchanges of views, including with 39 Foreign Ministers, several Presidents and Prime Ministers and fulfilled its scrutiny role by exchanges with 39 Heads of EU Delegations newly appointed in different parts of the world as well as eight EU Special Representatives.

# 2. Common Foreign and Security Policy & Common Security and Defence Policy

AFET Committee is responsible for the parliamentary scrutiny of the common foreign and security policy (CFSP) as well as the common security and defence policy (CSDP); in the latter, the Committee is assisted by the Subcommittee on Security and Defence (SEDE).

### I. Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP)

During this legislature, Members of the Foreign Affairs Committee have exercised their scrutiny role in common foreign and security policy through a variety of instruments.

Members of the Bureau of the AFET and Budget Committees participate regularly in the **CFSP Joint Consultation Meetings** to discuss together with the permanent Chair of the Political and Security Committee from the Council the financial implications of decisions adopted by the Council, including civilian missions, as well as broader strategic issues.

Every year the AFET Committee prepares a **CFSP resolution** on the report submitted by the Council concerning the main aspects and basic choices of the Common Foreign and Security Policy. In the last report [(2018/2097(INI))] Parliament insisted that decision-making among EU countries should be improved, including by setting up an EU Security Council, (as advocated by Chancellor Merkel and President Macron) and by replacing the unanimity requirement for decision making in the Council on matters relating to the CFSP, with qualified majority voting. The CFSP report provided for a debate between the two institutions on the political priorities of the EU for the months to follow.

### II. Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP)

In this legislative term, the European Parliament has witnessed growing awareness among EU Member States of the importance for the EU to achieve real strategic autonomy through enhanced defence cooperation, and the AFET Committee through its Subcommittee on Security and Defence (SEDE) has actively participated in the decision-making process leading towards this goal.

SEDE has also been overseeing relations with third countries in security and defence via association/ partnership agreements or specific framework agreements. Currently, 18 third countries (plus Switzerland) have signed a Framework Participation Agreement (FPA) with the EU regulating their participation in CSDP operations. Capacity Building in support of Security and Development (CBSD), and the European Peace Facility, together with third country participation in capability development (e.g. in the EU Battlegroup system) are some examples of emerging EU cooperation with third countries in the area of security and defence.

In the last report on the implementation of the Common Foreign and Security Policy [(2018/2099(INI))] the European Parliament welcomed "the increased defence cooperation between EU Member States and the steps taken to increase the EU's military autonomy" and observed that "the development of a strong defence industry strengthens the technological independence of the EU, including through the promotion of a single market for cybersecurity products, for which the EU's capabilities need to increase."

For more details on the activities of the Subcommittee on Security and Defence, please see the <u>SEDE Activity Report</u>.

### 3. Relations with other institutions and bodies

Relations with the UN, other international organisations and inter-parliamentary assemblies for matters falling under the Committee's responsibility were among key priorities of AFET during this legislature.

### **EU institutions, EU bodies**

The VP/HR and the **Commission**, and in particular the Commissioner responsible for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR) were regular interlocutors of the AFET Committee. The Foreign Affairs Committee and the DROI/SEDE Subcommittees exerted influence over the Commission's legislative agenda or work programme through regular attendance of Commissioners and officials at committee meetings.

During the eighth legislative term, **Commissioner Hahn appeared 15 times** before Members of the AFET Committee in order to discuss the developments of EU enlargement policy as well as the implementation of external financing instruments.



PICTURE 1:

AFET COMMITTEE MEETING ON
30/09/2014 - THE HEARING OF
JOHANNES HAHN, COMMISSIONERDESIGNATE FOR EUROPEAN
NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICY AND
ENLARGEMENT NEGOTIATIONS

The **Council** is the Parliament's negotiating partner in legislative procedures. Under the Treaty of Lisbon, in the area of external policy the rotating Council Presidency is in charge of enlargement policy. On the other aspects of foreign policy, the Presidency supports the VP/HR who chairs the Foreign Affairs Council. At the beginning of each Council Presidency, the AFET Committee held an exchange of views with the Foreign Minister of the country holding presidency to present their political priorities, to address issues relating to the legislative

agenda and to report on progress made in ongoing negotiations and on the general achievements of the presidency.

During the seventh legislative term, the Committee on Foreign Affairs was, within the European Parliament, the committee responsible for the adoption of legislation establishing the diplomatic service of the European Union, the European External Action Service (EEAS). As a result, the administrative budget of the EEAS became subject to the same rules and controls by the Parliament as the Commission's budget. Parliament, via the AFET Committee, exercises its scrutiny power by holding hearings with the proposed candidates for the posts of Vice-President / High Representative and Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations, in order to ascertain whether their skills and qualifications match the posts proposed to them.

During the current legislative period, the Committee increased its capacity to react quickly to developments on the international stage, as well as its ability to provide timely and constructive input into the shaping of EU foreign policy. According to Article 36 of the Treaty on European Union, the VP/HR shall regularly consult the European Parliament on the main aspects and basic choices of the common foreign and security policy and the common security and defence policy, and inform it of how those policies evolve. During the eighth legislative term, VP/HR Federica Mogherini held nine exchanges of views with the Members of the Foreign Affairs Committee on strategic issues of the common foreign and security policy, including the common security and defence policy. The Foreign Affairs Committee also held eleven exchanges with EU Special Representatives in different countries and regions in order to discuss the EU's policies and interests in troubled parts of the world.



PICTURE 2:

EXTRAORDINARY AFET/DEVE/
DLAT JOINT MEETING ON
17/04/2019. PRESENTATION BY
FEDERICA MOGHERINI, OF THE'
JOINT COMMUNICATION TO THE
EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND
TO THE COUNCIL: EUROPEAN
UNION, LATIN AMERICA AND THE
CARIBBEAN – JOINING FORCES FOR
A COMMON FUTURE.

### **United Nations**

Cooperation between the EU and the United Nations takes place on a broad range of issues, such as peace and security (peace-building, peace-keeping and conflict resolution), development, human rights, humanitarian assistance, fighting corruption and crime, climate change, global health concerns, labour issues, culture. Beside policy dialogue, cooperation covers also financial support for UN programmes and projects. This cooperation has been reinforced in the framework of the UN-EU Strategic Partnership on peace operations and crisis management for the period 2019-2021.

Within the Parliament, AFET Committee ensures consistent and systematic cooperation with the UN, its agencies, funds and programmes. Every year the AFET Committee prepares an **EP recommendation to the Council** on the priorities that the EU should put forward ahead of the United Nations General Assembly. This annual report creates an effective mechanism for establishing coordinated messages, helping to make the EU's voice stronger and more coherent on EU-UN topics of common interest (multilateralism, peace and security, migration and human rights). The AFET work related to the UN is supported by a dedicated EU-UN Relations Working Group, where regular exchanges of views take place.

Furthermore, the **annual delegation** of the Foreign Affairs Committee and Subcommittee on Human Rights (DROI) **to the UN Headquarters** in New York is an invaluable tool to assess the state of UN-EU cooperation and to show support for the actions of the United Nations Secretary General, particularly at a moment when multilateralism is facing challenges.



PICTURE 3:
AFET AND DROI DELEGATION
TO THE UN HEADQUARTERS IN
NEW YORK. MEETING WITH THE
SECRETARY-GENERAL, ANTÓNIO
GUTERRES ON 30/10/2018.

### Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) and the Council of Europe (COE)

The Parliament works with the Parliamentary Assemblies of OSCE and the Council of Europe, particularly in the context of election observation. Moreover, the Parliament is an observer in the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, represented by the Vice-President in charge of multilateral assemblies.

The Foreign Affairs Committee enjoys close relations with both organisations and held discussions with the Secretary Generals of the OSCE and of the Council of Europe. AFET is particularly involved in cooperating with the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe, and the ODIHR of the OSCE, in the context of election observation. In reports adopted during this legislature, the AFET Committee advocated stepping up collaboration with the Council of Europe and OSCE in

order to respond to diverse global challenges and together ensure greater involvement in international governance.

### **National Parliaments**

There are various forms of cooperation between the AFET Committee and its counterparts in the national parliaments of Member States. These relations can take the form of inter-parliamentary committee meetings on specific issues, joint parliamentary meetings, or parliamentary committee meetings held jointly with the parliament of the country holding the Council presidency. The AFET Committee and its subcommittees may hold committee meetings twice a year in the presence of the national parliaments. During the last joint parliamentary meeting, the EU's Chief Brexit Negotiator, Michel Barnier outlined mechanisms and arrangements through which the EU and the United Kingdom could work when the UK leaves the Union.



PICTURE 4:
INTER-PARLIAMENTARY
COMMITTEE MEETING WITH
REPRESENTATIVES FROM
NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS ON
2/04/2019. AFTER BREXIT:
THE EU'S FUTURE RELATIONS
WITH THE UNITED KINGDOM
- AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS
WITH THE EU'S CHIEF BREXIT
NEGOTIATOR, MICHEL
BARNIER.

Since 2012, an Inter-Parliamentary Conference (IPC) for the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP/CSDP) takes place twice a year, usually in the Member State holding the presidency. The EP plays a very active role in the IPC, given its role of co-organiser. The Conference is an opportunity to exchange views on current topics of the EU CSFP/CSDP policy. It allows the EP to pass strong messages on the common parliamentary positions on foreign affairs, such as the need for a holistic EU approach to migration, deeper cooperation and coordination on global threats and challenges, and continuous support for the European perspective of the Western Balkan countries.

The latest exchange with national parliaments on 2 April 2019 was an opportunity to debate with EU Chief Negotiator Michel Barnier on the Brexit process, with Commissioner Hahn on the Enlargement policy and among parliamentarians on the future of CFSP.

### 4. Relations with third countries

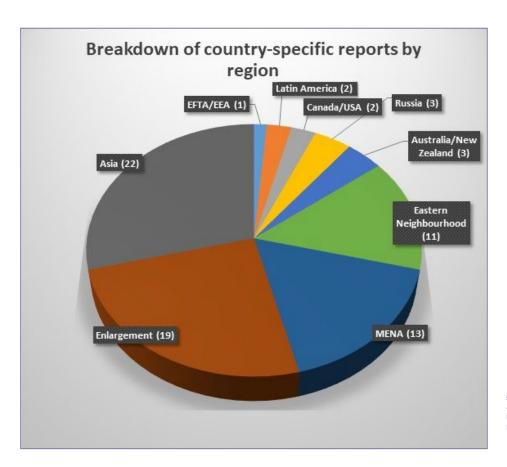


FIGURE 2:
AFET REPORTS BY REGION
DURING THE EIGHTH
LEGISLATIVE TERM.

### I. Enlargement

The Committee on Foreign Affairs is responsible for the implementation and monitoring of the Union's foreign policy as regards the **opening, monitoring and concluding of negotiations** concerning the accession of European States to the Union.

At the beginning of the legislature, the Committee appointed standing rapporteurs for each of the accession countries. The rapporteurs were instrumental in steering and shaping the dialogue with relevant interlocutors both at EU institutional level and with regard to political and policy dialogue with the authorities and civil society in the accession countries. The Committee adopted yearly progress resolutions on each of those countries, following the presentation of the Commission's enlargement reports.

### **Western Balkans**

In its latest 2018 enlargement reports, the Parliament underlined the importance of opening accession negotiations with Albania and North Macedonia in June 2019 as well as delivering visa liberalisation to Kosovo, emphasizing at the same time the need for progress by the Western Balkans on key issues, in

particular fighting corruption, protecting free media and minorities and improving regional cooperation.

AFET debated and followed-up on the Western Balkans Strategy and the outcomes of the Trieste and London summits, which took place in July 2017 and July 2018 respectively. The Committee insisted on keeping the Western Balkans on the list of priorities of each rotating Council presidency and prioritised the region during the Inter-parliamentary Committee Meetings (IPCs).

The Committee also held regular exchanges of views with the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the enlargement countries and contributed to the High-Level Roundtable on the European integration of the Western Balkans with two sessions held in November 2017, bringing together MEPs and national parliamentarians from Western Balkan and EU states. These included a Hearing on the mid-term review of the Instrument for Pre-Accession (IPA II) and an Inter-parliamentary Committee Meeting on the accession of the Western Balkans.



PICTURE 5: HIGH-LEVEL ROUND TABLE ON THE EUROPEAN INTEGRATION PROCESS OF THE WESTERN BALKANS IN A REGIONAL PERSPECTIVE ON 20/11/2017

The Committee also re-constituted the Working Group on the Western Balkans, which held regular meetings with various interlocutors (civil society, academia, United Nations Development Programme) throughout 2014-2018.

### **Turkey**

In its latest 2018 enlargement report [(2018/2150(INI))] the European Parliament, following a recommendation by AFET, recommended suspending formally EU accession negotiations with Turkey. Parliament reiterated its serious concerns about Turkey's poor track record in upholding human rights, the rule of law, media freedom and the fight against corruption, as well as its all-powerful presidential system.

Parliament expressed its intention to stand together with Turkish citizens, to keep the political and democratic dialogue with Turkey open and to make EU funds available for human rights defenders, students and journalists to promote and protect democratic values and principles. Parliament encouraged Turkey to fulfil all 72 benchmarks for EU visa liberalisation, for the benefit of Turkish citizens, particularly students, academics, business representatives and people with family ties in EU countries.

Parliament's resolution also recalled Turkey's important role in responding to the migration crisis and the government's efforts to grant refugees temporary protection. The EP takes the view that the country and its population have shown great hospitality by offering shelter to more than 3.5 million Syrian refugees.

### II. European Neighbourhood Policy

### **Eastern Neighbourhood**

The Committee on Foreign Affairs is responsible for the implementation and monitoring of the Union's foreign policy as regards the negotiations, implementation and conclusion of negotiations of the Association Agreements with the EU's neighbours.

At the beginning of the legislature, the Committee appointed standing rapporteurs for the association countries who were instrumental in steering and shaping the dialogue with relevant interlocutors both at EU institutional level and with regard to political and policy dialogue with the authorities and civil society in partner countries. The rapporteurs, together with the delegations' chairs met regularly with Commissioner Hahn in the format of the Eastern Partnership Working Group to discuss current developments in the region.

On top of standard country-specific reports, the Committee adopted for the first time reports on the implementation of Association Agreements with partner countries (Ukraine, Georgia, Moldova). It also adopted a recommendation to the Council, the Commission and the EEAS on the Eastern Partnership in the run-up to the November 2017 Summit [(2017/2130(INI))]. Finally, it adopted reports for the EP to grant consent to the EU-Armenia agreement (CEPA) and to provide recommendations to the negotiators on the EU-Azerbaijan agreement.

In all these reports, the Committee put a high priority on the promotion of EU values, notably rule of law, good governance, the fight against corruption and the protection of human rights. In some cases (notably Azerbaijan), clear conditionality was expressed in view of the adoption of future EU positions on the country (namely a favourable view on granting consent to future agreements).

In the context of drawing up these reports and in line with other EP prerogatives (notably parliamentary scrutiny), the Committee commissioned a number of publically-available studies, held several hearings and invited EEAS, Commission and foreign dignitaries to hold exchanges of views with the Members throughout the mandate. One notable example was the address by the Prime Minister of Armenia in March 2019 who presented his views on EU-Armenian relations following a positively assessed electoral process.

### **Southern Neighbourhood**

At the end of the legislature, AFET discussed and prepared a plenary resolution, taking stock of the political situation in the Southern Neighbourhood eight years after the Arab Spring [2018/2160(INI)]. The resolution observes that the EU, in spite of its considerable political and economic investments, is still not perceived as a game changer by the countries in the **Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region**, while new and resurgent regional players, such as China and Russia, are emerging on the scene. The Resolution also underlined that all attempts by the EU to work with post-Arab Spring countries on migration, including countries of origin and transit, must go hand in hand with improving human rights conditions within these countries.

The Committee on Foreign Affairs also regularly followed developments related to the **Middle East Peace Process** and held exchanges of views with relevant interlocutors.

AFET continued to monitor and to follow the developments related to the political situation in Syria and its impact in the **Mashreq region** (refugees, stability, and the situation in Lebanon and Jordan). In order to keep Syria high on the EU's political agenda, AFET reaffirmed at several occasions its commitment and support to the efforts of UN Special Envoys for Syria and EU Special Representatives in the region.

During the last term, AFET decided to initiate two key reports on the **Maghreb region**. AFET Members decided to analyse EU relations with Tunisia and the regional context. The EP adopted the Recommendation to the Council, the Commission, and the EEAS on the situation in Libya [2018/2017(INI)] which was prepared by the Foreign Affairs Committee.

During the term, the AFET Working Group on the Southern Neighbourhood held several meetings with various stakeholders (experts, analysts and academics) to share their views on the political and socio-economic developments of the region.

### III. Russia

AFET's formal cooperation with the Russian Duma has been limited since 2014 following the Russian invasion of Ukraine and the annexation of the Crimean Peninsula. After the meeting in February 2015 with Aleksey Pushkov, the Chairman of the Committee on International Affairs of the State Duma no more meetings with Russian state representatives were held in AFET. In 2019 the European Parliament adopted a report by the Foreign Affairs Committee on the state of EU-Russia political relations [(2018/2158(INI))], in which the EP highlighted that the full implementation of the Minsk Agreements and the broader respect of international law remain key preconditions for closer cooperation with Russia.

The Committee on Foreign Affairs also held a hearing with external experts on the state of EU-Russia relations. Informal dialogue was maintained, and so was cooperation within the multilateral fora, such as the Northern dimension. During the term informal meetings took place with the civil society and NGO community, and Members have also actively followed the human rights and security situation in the region.



PICTURE 6: AFET COMMITTEE MEETING ON 02/12/2014 - EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH MIKHAIL KHODORKOVSKY, FOUNDER OF THE OPEN RUSSIA MOVEMENT

### IV. Transatlantic relations

The EU-US partnership is based on strong political, cultural, economic and historic links, on the promotion of shared values and on common goals. However, this partnership has been facing a number of challenges and disruptions lately, including the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action on the Iranian nuclear program, the Middle East, climate change, and the disengagement of the US in multilateral fora and agreements and trade issues. In September 2018, the European Parliament adopted a report on EU-US relations [2017/2271(INI)] prepared by the AFET Committee, which underlined these aspects. At the same time, the report stressed the importance for the EU and the US to continue jointly addressing regional conflicts and global challenges based on the principles of international law. It also highlighted the importance of fostering links across the Atlantic to promote the merits and importance of the transatlantic partnership at different levels.

The Committee also held exchanges of views with the relevant US interlocutors, including the U.S. Ambassador to the EU and the Chargé d'Affaires of the U.S. Mission to the European Union (before the appointment of the current Ambassador).

In November 2017, a joint delegation of AFET and SEDE went to Washington D.C. where they met representatives of NATO, the US Congress and think tanks to discuss issues that were high on the EU-US agenda, namely Iran, North Korea, the Western Balkans, Ukraine and Russia.



<u>PICTURE 7</u>:
AFET COMMITTEE MEETING
ON 28/06/2018. VOTE ON EUUS RELATIONS REPORT.

### V. Africa (Sahel and external aspects of migration)

AFET follows closely the situation in the Sahel by engaging with different stake-holders in different formats of meetings to discuss issues of migration, security, EU Trust Fund for Africa, support to the Joint Force, CSDP missions and the EU G5 Sahel political dialogue. A joint AFET and SEDE delegation visited Niger and addressed these issues in December 2017.

The European Parliament's position on migration, to which AFET has strongly contributed is to call for a holistic EU approach to migration, which ensures coherence between internal and external policies, encompasses all migration routes and is based on solidarity, full respect for human rights, compliance with international law and the values on which the EU is built. In different reports and on numerous occasions the Committee on Foreign Affairs has voiced its view that better-managed international migration is a global responsibility.

### VI. Wider Middle East

AFET ensured continuous dialogue with relevant interlocutors on the **situation in Iraq**. In the context of the Joint Communication to the European Parliament and the Council on 'Elements for an EU strategy for Iraq', the AFET Committee gave its consent to the EU-Iraq Partnership and Cooperation Agreement (PCA) in June 2018. It also adopted a resolution on 4 July 2018 on the EU-Iraq PCA [2010/0310M(NLE)] with a focus on reinforcing political dialogue, supporting sectorial cooperation and promoting institutional relations. In that view, AFET Members undertook a visit to Baghdad in Iraq (17-18 December 2018) to strengthen the political dialogue with Iraqi counterparts and the political dimension of the EU-Iraq PCA.

On Iran, AFET Members initiated a report in 2016 on the EU strategy towards Iran after the nuclear agreement (JCPOA). The final document was adopted in October 2016 [2015/2274(INI)]. In the context of the regional situation and the decision of the US to withdraw from the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), AFET conducted an unprecedented consecutive visit to Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Iran on 10-15 February 2018. The visit allowed AFET to address the regional challenges with key parties and to transmit messages of deescalating tensions and appeasement (Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) cohesion, Saudi Arabia/Iran de-escalation and support for the JCPOA). AFET followed closely the situation in the GCC itself and the conflict in Yemen, particularly in inviting key interlocutors for exchange of views during several Committee meetings.

### VII. Latin America

The partnership between the EU and Latin American countries is founded on historical, cultural, human and economic ties, as both regions share socio-economic relations, valuable trade and investment flows, and are partners in facing global challenges. The European Parliament and AFET contribute to the political dialogue and cooperation at bi-regional, sub-regional and country levels. The European Parliament and AFET interact with the region by participating at summits of the heads of state and government of the EU and the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States, and by engaging in the joint Euro-Latin American Parliamentary Assembly.

Regular delegations to individual countries provide the opportunity for AFET Members to engage in a dialogue with the authorities, legislators, civil society and discuss the political and social situation in the country and address issues of human rights. During this legislature, AFET Members have participated in missions to Nicaragua, Venezuela, Colombia, and Argentina, which were of an exceptional political relevance.

The report on EU political relations with Latin America [2017/2027(INI)]) is the most recent position prepared by AFET and adopted by the European Parliament on this area.

### VIII. Asia

The EU has a number of strategic partners in Asia, namely China, India, Japan, and South Korea.

Following reports adopted in AFET, the Parliament adopted two comprehensive resolutions on bilateral relations with **China**: 'EU-China relations' in December 2015 [2015/2003(INI)] and 'State of EU-China relations' in September 2018 [2017/2274(INI)], the latter of which, besides covering bilateral political relations, also included trade and investment issues. The Committee organised two public hearings on EU-China strategic partnership in May 2015 and in April 2018, and together with its Security and Defence Subcommittee, a public hearing on the 'East and South China Sea tensions' in March 2017.



Committee Members have constantly reminded that the relationship with China is one of the most important for the EU's external relations. Members have also called for the EU to add ambitious content to the partnership and to be more proactive, coordinated and coherent in response to China's major initiatives such as the Belt and Road, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank or China's presence in Europe. Members also raised the issue of human rights in China and supported addressing global concerns together such as climate change and global peace.

Relations with **Japan** progressed favourably during the legislature. Following the AFET recommendation and report, the Parliament adopted consent to the EU-Japan Strategic Partnership Agreement (SPA) and the accompanying resolution in December 2018 [2018/0122M(NLE)]. The Committee also organised a public hearing on 'EU-Japan relations' the week before the adoption of consent by the Parliament. In April 2018, the Committee visited Japan and **South Korea** and discussed the bilateral relations characterized by shared values, responsibilities and the promotion of regional and global peace. The peaceful resolution

of the threats posed by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea nuclear and missile programmes was high on the agenda during the visit to both countries.

On 21 January 2019, the **EU-ASEAN Summit** "agreed in principle to upgrade the bilateral region-to-region relation to a strategic partnership". The Foreign Affairs Committee has been active in promoting these partnerships. Regarding the strategic partnership with ASEAN, the Parliament resolutions, as prepared by the AFET Committee, had already twice earlier urged for upgrading the bilateral relation to strategic. In May 2018 the Committee delegation visited ASEAN headquarters in Jakarta, Indonesia and also suggested that the EU's partnership with Indonesia should be elevated to strategic. Members have been supportive of the ASEAN integration process but raised concerns about developments in the past years affecting negatively the space for civil society and respect for fundamental freedoms and democracy in many ASEAN member countries.

**Myanmar** remained a serious concern in Southeast Asia due to the Rohingya refugee crises, which exacerbated in 2017 and 2018. The Members were dismayed by the events and deeply disappointed that the elected government, led by Nobel and Sakharov Prize winner Aung San Suu Kyi, did not take decisive action to protect the Rohingyas. AFET Members joined its Human Rights Subcommittee mission to refugee camps in Cox' Bazar in Bangladesh and to Myanmar in February 2018.

In its relations with countries of **Central Asia**, AFET continued to follow developments, including the update of the EU regional strategy, followed by the adoption of a report in 2016 [2015/2220(INI)]; the adoption of recommendations to ratify an enhanced partnership agreement with Kazakhstan and a partnership agreement with Mongolia; the monitoring of negotiations on modernised partnership and cooperation agreements and the adoption of an interim report on the Agreement with Turkmenistan in 1998, which remains unratified by Parliament.

In its reports and regular exchanges with the Council, EEAS, and the EU Special Representative for the region, as well as with the Kyrgyz Foreign Minister in 2018 and during its mission to **Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan** in 2018, the Committee on Foreign Affairs reaffirmed the EU's strong interest in political and economic cooperation, based on respect for common values. The Committee insisted on a differentiated and conditional approach, depending on the measurable progress in democratisation, human rights, good governance, sustainable economic development, the rule of law and the fight against corruption.

With regard to **Afghanistan**, AFET exchanged views on the situation in the country, including with the EU Special Representative, and later Special Envoy for the country, in particular on the on-going war and potential peace process, the rule of law, and human rights. AFET monitored, and later adopted in 2019, a recommendation and an accompanying report on an EU-Afghanistan Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development (CAPD) [2015/0302(NLE)].

AFET visited **India and Pakistan** during two separate missions in early 2017 in order to support peaceful settlement of disputes, to show respect for a multilateral rules-based global order, and to boost parliamentary dialogue on issues of common interest such as the fight against terrorism, economic development and building of democratic institutions. An own-initiative report on political relations with India [2017/2025(INI)] was adopted by the Committee, highlighting the strategic nature but also the vast untapped potential in mutual cooperation and understanding.



AFET DELEGATION TO PAKISTAN IN APRIL 2017. VISIT TO AN EU FINANCED PROJECT: GIRLS HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL IN PESHAWAR.

### IX. European Free Trade Association (EFTA), European Economic Area (EEA)

### **Switzerland**

Switzerland and the EU enjoy close, broad and intensive relations, and the economic, political, social, scientific and people-to-people ties are extremely strong. Following more than four years of negotiations, the EU and Switzerland agreed on the final text for the EU-Switzerland Institutional Framework Agreement (IFA) in November 2018. If the agreement comes into force, it will deepen Switzerland's participation in the internal market. AFET adopted a recommendation on the EU-Switzerland IFA Agreement, followed by Parliament's adoption in March 2019 [2018/2262(INI)].

### **Arctic / the High North**

The Committee on Foreign Affairs (AFET) and the Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (ENVI) jointly drafted a report 'Integrated European Union policy for the Arctic', which was adopted in the EP plenary in March 2017 [2016/2228(INI)]. The Parliament reminded of the risks of climate change to the region and stressed the important role of the Arctic Council for maintaining constructive cooperation, peace and stability in the region. The AFET Committee jointly with its SEDE Subcommittee paid an official visit to Norway in August 2018.

### Andorra, Monaco, San Marino

The AFET Committee contributed to the future Association Agreement between the EU and Monaco, Andorra and San Marino by adopting recommendations to the negotiating process stressing, inter alia, the importance of preserving the integrity of the Single Market [2018/2246(INI)].

### X. International Agreements

With regard to international agreements, the Committee used the ratification procedures and monitoring of negotiations to emphasise its priorities.

Within the **consent procedure**, the Committee expressed its positions on and recommended to ratify 41 agreements, of which 20 were association or partnership and cooperation bi- or multi-lateral agreements, and 21 additional protocols to existing agreements. It used the consent procedure as leverage to see some of its concerns taken into consideration, such as suspension of the ratification of the EU - Turkmenistan agreement where the Committee adopted an interim report setting certain benchmarks and conditions instead [1998/0031(NLE)].

AFET also monitored several on-going negotiations of future agreements and adopted six reports leading to EP recommendations. In addition, the Committee adopted three reports on the implementation of existing agreements (association agreements with Ukraine, Moldova, and Georgia).

AFET also monitored the Brexit negotiations but did not vote on any opinion given the lack of ratification of the Withdrawal Agreement in the UK.

For a full list of international agreements dealt with by the AFET Committee during the eighth legislative term, see Annex vi.



OVERVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL
AGREEMENTS DEALT WITH DURING
THE EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE TERM.

During the eighth legislative term, the Foreign Affairs Committee also dealt with other issues of strategic importance, which related to global issues but were not country or region-specific. Among others, AFET prepared reports on EU strategic communication to counteract propaganda [2016/2030(INI)], on addressing refugee and migrant movements [2015/2342(INI)], an EU strategy for international cultural relations [2016/2240(INI)] (jointly with CULT), on climate diplomacy [2017/2272(INI)], a recommendation to the Council, Commission and the EEAS on the scope and mandate for EU Special Representatives [2018/2116(INI)] and building EU capacity on conflict prevention and mediation [2018/2159(INI)]. The Committee also held exchanges of views, hearings and workshops on these issues.

### 5. External Financing Instruments

Legislation for 2021-2027 and parliamentary scrutiny 2014-2019

In the area of the external financing instruments, the AFET Committee exerted its role as co-legislator, provided its strategic guidance and scrutinised their implementation, by being involved as follows:

- 1. Several legislative procedures, including amending the set of tools in 2017 by adding non-lethal capacity building of military actors abroad, approving the new European Fund for Sustainable Development (EFSD) and in 2018-19 establishing Parliament's first reading positions on the new set of instruments for the period 2021-27 (NDICI & IPA III). These positions will constitute the EP negotiating mandates in future inter-institutional negotiations with the Council and the Commission on the final Regulations.
- 2. Non-legislative reports on implementation of those instruments [2017/2280(INI)] and opinions (on the Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-27), giving extensive recommendations on the implementation of instruments and on their future architecture.
- 3. Strategic dialogues with the Commission/EEAS ensuring the EP's involvement in multiannual programming of the current instruments at the beginning of implementation in 2014 and at mid-term 2017/18.
- 4. Regular scrutiny, by means of exchanges of views and recommendations of the Committee's Working Group on External Financing Instruments to the Commission and the EEAS.
- 5. Participation of AFET Committee Members in observer capacity in management boards of EU Trust Funds for Syrian Refugees ('Madad'), and in support of the Colombian peace process, of the EFSD, as well as in the Facility for refugees in Turkey. The Committee is also involved when Commission requests Parliament's agreement for the extension of such funds/facilities.

Recommendations and scrutiny by AFET were given to the following current Instruments valid for 2014-2020:

- Instrument for Pre-Accession (IPA II): This instrument operates in the candidate countries and potential candidate countries of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia, Turkey and North Macedonia. The instrument has a financial envelope of €11.7 billion, dispersed over seven years, which is used to enable these countries to adopt progressive reforms that will align the countries more closely with EU rules and regulations, with a view to eventual EU accession.
- European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI): This instrument is the main financial tool used in the European Neighbourhood Policy and benefits the following countries: Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Egypt, Georgia, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, the Republic of Moldova, Morocco, the Occupied Palestinian Territory, Syria, Tunisia and Ukraine. The financial envelope for this instrument is €15.4 billion over seven years. The aim of the instrument is to strengthen relations between the EU and its neighbouring countries by creating greater economic integration between the EU and its neighbourhood, and encouraging the growth of sustainable democracies in beneficiary countries.
- ◆ Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace (ISP): This instrument has a financial envelope of €2.5 billion, which can be used in any non-EU country to address a crisis situation, or for the purposes of conflict-prevention and peace-building. The instrument is intended to finance civil society organisations as well as governments and international organisations.
- ◆ European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR): This instrument has a financial envelope of €1.33 billion, and is used to fund activities in any non-EU country, which contribute to the development of greater democracy and respect for human rights. One quarter of the budget for this instrument is allocated each year for EU election observations missions.
- ◆ Partnership Instrument (PI): This instrument has a budget of €954.8 million over seven years, and can be used in any non-EU country where the EU has a particular strategic interest, including prominent partners such as the United States of America, Canada, Brazil, Mexico, India, China, Japan, Korea, and South Africa. The instrument is used to promote EU values in relations with the partner country, as well as promoting constructive relations in general, including foreign affairs and trade as well as the external dimension of internal EU policies (environment, energy, education, etc.).
- European Fund for Sustainable Development (EFSD): The EFSD aims to support investments primarily in Africa and the Union's Neighbourhood as a means of contributing to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals. By supporting such investments, the EFSD aims to address specific socioeconomic root causes of migration, including irregular migration, and to contribute to the sustainable reintegration of migrants returning to their countries of origin and to the strengthening of transit and host communities.



PICTURE 9: AFET COMMITTEE MEETING ON 15/10/2018. WORKSHOP ON 'THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE NEW EXTERNAL FINANCING INSTRUMENTS"

At the end of the eighth legislature, AFET was involved in the on-going legislative procedures on the following future external financing instruments that should enter into force in 2021- 2027:

Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument (NDICI):

On the basis of the report adopted jointly by the Committees on Foreign Affairs and on Development on 4 March 2019, the European Parliament adopted its position on the proposed Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument (NDICI) on 27 March 2019 [2018/0243(COD)].

The new financial instrument would, once agreed by both Parliament and the Council, be used to distribute a large part of EU external action funding, with a proposed budget of  $\in$ 93,154 billion for the 2021-2027 period, an increase of almost  $\in$  4 billion compared to the Commission's proposal.

The NDICI merges most of the EU's current external financing instruments mentioned above, including the European Development Fund, into one broad instrument. Once in force, it will be the EU's main tool to foster cooperation with non-EU countries in the neighbourhood and beyond, and to implement its international commitments deriving from the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Agreement on climate change. Concretely, Parliament proposes that 45% of NDICI funds should support climate and environmental objectives.

The EP considers the promotion of democracy, peace and security, the rule of law and respect for human rights to be central objectives of EU external action. Countries that backslide in those areas could therefore face full or partial suspension of their EU funding. On top of that, Parliament proposes to increase the funds for human rights and democracy activities worldwide to at least  $\in$  2 billion. Given the shrinking space for civil society all over the world, the EP wishes to increase the EU's financing for civil society organisations to  $\in$  2.2 billion, with an additional  $\in$  0.5 billion to go to local authorities.

### The Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA III)

The Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA) is an EU programme for enlargement countries that was established for the 2007 to 2013 programming period and that replaced several former pre-accession assistance programmes. The pre-accession funds help candidate and potential candidate countries to cope with political and economic reforms and to progressively align with the EU's rules, standards, policies and practices on their path towards EU membership.

The proposed budget for the implementation of IPA III, which is part of the EU's long-term budget (MFF) for the period 2021-2027, is  $\in$  14.5 billion with the EP's position being  $\in$  14.66 billion.

On the basis of the Committee report adopted on 4 February 2019 on IPA III, the EP adopted its position on 27 March 2019 [2018/0247(COD)], which will form its mandate for the upcoming inter-institutional negotiations. The final text of this regulation is subject to agreement with the Council of the EU.

The EP welcomes that the proposed IPA III programming framework would be based on priorities and 'a fair share principle' rather than country envelopes (used under IPA II), since this will introduce more flexibility to address the evolving needs of the 'enlargement partners' and make it possible to reward the countries' progress and performance towards meeting the EU membership criteria.

While supporting a reinforced performance-based approach, the EP has included conditionality provisions, meaning that enlargement countries that backslide in areas of democracy, the rule of law or human rights would face clear consequences in terms of funding. They want to compel the European Commission to suspend or partially suspend EU assistance in cases of consistent breaches by a country of one or more of the Copenhagen criteria, which are the rules that define whether a country is eligible to join the EU or not.

The position also requires the authorities in the 'enlargement countries' to do more in raising awareness about the EU funds and provide information to both local media and the general public about what the EU is contributing to in the area.

# 6. Democracy, the rule of law and human rights

Human rights and the promotion of democracy worldwide are priorities of the Parliament which fall under the remit of AFET. While human rights are discussed in depth by its Subcommittee on Human Rights (DROI), the Committee on Foreign Affairs makes a point of raising human rights concerns in debates, reports, during delegation visits, and ensuring the inclusion of human rights clause in agreements with third countries.

Every year, since 1988, the European Parliament awards the Sakharov Prize for freedom of thought, to honour exceptional individuals who fight for human rights and freedom of thought, combat intolerance, fanaticism and oppression. Together with the Committee for Development and the Human Rights Subcommittee, AFET is responsible for organising the debates and votes on the Sakharov Prize, which is then awarded in EP plenary.

The laureates of the eighth legislature were:

- Denis Mukwege 2014, Democratic Republic of Congo
- ◆ Raif Badawi 2015, Saudi Arabia
- Nadia Murad and Lamya Haji Bashar 2016, Yazidi community Iraq
- Democratic Opposition in Venezuela 2017, Venezuela
- Oleg Sentsov 2018, Ukraine

Election observation activities carried out by the Parliament reflect the commitment to promoting democracy, human rights and the rule of law. The oversight of the election observation activities lies with the Group responsible for Election Coordination, co-chaired by the Chairs of the Foreign Affairs and Development Committees. The Group identifies the priority countries for parliamentary election observation. The High Representative consults the Group on the priority countries to be selected for the European Union Election Observation Missions (EU EOMs). Furthermore, the High Representative, after consultation with the Group, nominates an MEP as Chief Observer for the EU EOM.

For more information, please refer to the <u>DROI activity report</u>.

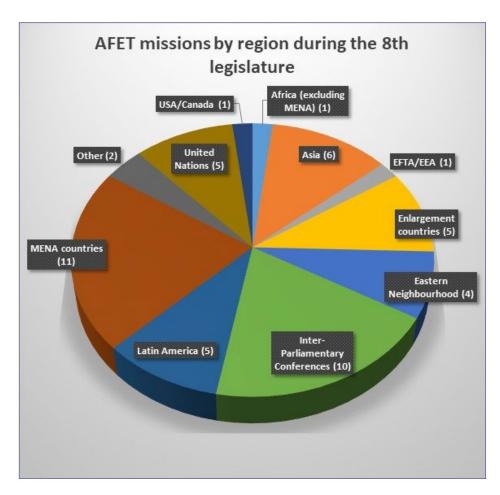


FIGURE 4:
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### i. AFET reports adopted in 8th legislature (including DROI and SEDE)

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2013/0151A(NLE)	Association Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Ukraine, of the other part, with the exception of the provisions relating to the treatment of third country nationals legally employed as workers in the territory of the other party	EPP: Saryusz-Wolski	16 September 2014
2014/0083(NLE)	Association Agreement between the EU and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part	ALDE: Auštrevičius	13 November 2014
2014/2817(INI)	Conclusion of an Association Agreement between the European Union, of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part	ALDE: Auštrevičius	13 November 2014
2014/0086(NLE)	Association Agreement between the EU and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and Georgia, of the other part	S&D: Mamikins	15 December 2014
2014/2816(INI)	Conclusion of an Association Agreement between the European Union, of the one part, and Georgia, of the other part	S&D: Mamikins	15 December 2014
2009/0174(NLE)	Conclusion of a protocol to the Euro- Mediterranean Agreement between the EC and Tunisia, to take account of the accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the EU	EPP: Brok	13 January 2015
2014/2216(INI)	Annual Report on Human Rights and Democracy in the World 2013 and the European Union's policy on the matter	S&D: Panzeri	11 March 2015
2014/2219(INI)	Annual Report from the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy to the European Parliament	EPP: Brok	11 March 2015
2014/0052(NLE)	Protocol to the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement establishing a partnership between the EC and Russia to take account of the accession of Croatia to the EU	EPP: Landsbergis	28 April 2015

PROCEDURE	TITLE	RAPPORTEUR(S)	DATE OF ADOPTION IN PLENARY
2015/2037(INI)	The impact of developments in European defence markets on the security and defence capabilities in Europe	S&D: Gomes	18 May 2015
2014/2220(INI)	The implementation of the Common Security and Defence Policy (based on the Annual Report from the Council to the European Parliament on the Common Foreign and Security Policy)	EPP: Danjean	20 May 2015
2014/2258(INI)	Financing the Common Security and Defence Policy	EPP: Kukan	20 May 2015
2015/2036(INI)	The strategic military situation in the Black Sea Basin following the illegal annexation of Crimea by Russia	S&D: Paşcu	8 June 2015
2015/2001(INI)	The state of EU-Russia relations	EPP: Landsbergis	10 June 2015
2014/2229(INI)	The security challenges in the MENA region and the prospects for political stability	S&D: Peillon	6 July 2015
2014/2231(INI)	The EU's new approach to human rights and democracy – evaluating the activities of the European Endowment for Democracy (EED) since its establishment	EPP: Grzyb	6 July 2015
2013/0386(NLE)	Protocol to the EC-former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Stabilisation and Association Agreement to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union	ALDE: Vajgl	8 July 2015
2014/0039(NLE)	Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Serbia, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the EU	EPP: McAllister	8 July 2015
2015/2002(INI)	The review of the European Neighbourhood policy	EPP: Kukan	8 July 2015
2014/2232(INI)	Human rights and technology: the impact of intrusion and surveillance systems on human rights in third countries	ALDE: Schaake	7 September 2015

PROCEDURE	TITLE	RAPPORTEUR(S)	DATE OF ADOPTION IN PLENARY
<u>2014/0118(NLE)</u>	Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the EC and Tunisia on a Framework Agreement between the EU and Tunisia on the general principles for the participation of Tunisia in Union programmes	S&D: Panzeri	7 October 2015
2015/2104(INI)	The role of the EU within the UN - how to better achieve EU foreign policy goals	ALDE: Väyrynen	23 November 2015
2015/2003(INI)	EU-China Relations	ECR: Belder	14 December 2015
2015/2114(INI)	Arms export: implementation of Common Position 2008/944/CFSP	Greens/EFA: Valero	14 December 2015
2015/2229(INI)	Annual Report on Human Rights and Democracy in the World 2014 and the European Union's policy on the matter	EPP: Preda	14 December 2015
2013/0440(NLE)	Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, of the other part	Greens/EFA: Lochbihler	16 December 2015
2014/0222(NLE)	Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Partnership and Cooperation between the EU and its Member States, of the one part, and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the EU	EPP: Kalniete	16 December 2015
2015/2096(INI)	Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Partnership and Cooperation between the EU and its Member States, of the one part, and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, of the other part	Greens/EFA: Lochbihler	16 December 2015
2015/0094(NLE)	Conclusion of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and of Kosovo	Greens/EFA: Lunacek	19 January 2016
2015/2220(INI)	Implementation and review of the EU- Central Asia Strategy	Greens/EFA: Meszerics	13 April 2016

PROCEDURE	TITLE	RAPPORTEUR(S)	DATE OF ADOPTION IN PLENARY
2015/2272(INI)	The EU in a changing global environment - a more connected, contested and complex world	EPP: Kalniete	13 April 2016
2015/2275(INI)	Peace Support Operations - EU engagement with the UN and the African Union	ECR: Van Orden	6 June 2016
2015/2276(INI)	Space capabilities for European security and defence	EPP: Zdrojewski	6 June 2016
2013/0441(NLE)	Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of the Philippines, of the other part	EPP: Brok	7 June 2016
2014/0224(NLE)	Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the EU and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of the Philippines, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the EU	EPP: Brok	7 June 2016
2015/2234(INI)	Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of the Philippines, of the other part	EPP: Brok	7 June 2016
2007/0078(NLE)	Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement between the EC and Lebanon to take account of the enlargement in 2004	EPP: Mănescu	22 June 2016
2008/0027(NLE)	Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the EC and Lebanon to take account of the accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the EU	EPP: Mănescu	22 June 2016
2014/0110(NLE)	Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the EC and Lebanon on a Framework Agreement between the EU and Lebanon on the general principles for the participation of Lebanon in Union programmes	EPP: Mănescu	22 June 2016
2015/2340(INI)	The fight against trafficking in human beings in the EU's external relations	Greens/EFA: Lochbihler	4 July 2016

PROCEDURE	TITLE	RAPPORTEUR(S)	DATE OF ADOPTION IN PLENARY
2016/2020(INI)	Recommendation on the 71st session of the United Nations General Assembly	EPP: Kovatchev	5 July 2016
2013/0420(NLE)	Protocol to the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Azerbaijan, of the other part on a Framework Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Azerbaijan on the general principles for the participation of the Republic of Azerbaijan in Union programmes	ALDE: Nicolai	6 July 2016
2015/2273(INI)	EU relations with Tunisia in the current regional context	EFDD: Castaldo	12 September 2016
2015/2274(INI)	EU strategy towards Iran after the nuclear agreement	S&D: Howitt	24 October 2016
2015/2315(INI)	Corporate liability for serious human rights abuses in third countries	EFDD: Corrao	24 October 2016
2015/2316(INI)	Human rights and migration in third countries	GUE/NGL: Vergiat	24 October 2016
2016/2030(INI)	EU strategic communication to counteract propaganda against it by third parties	ECR: Fotyga	21 November 2016
2016/2052(INI)	European Defence Union	ALDE: Paet	21 November 2016
2016/2067(INI)	The implementation of the Common Security and Defence Policy (based on the Annual Report from the Council to the European Parliament on the Common Foreign and Security Policy)	S&D: Paşcu	22 November 2016
2016/2036(INI)	Implementation of the Common Foreign and Security Policy	EPP: Brok	12 December 2016
2014/0195(NLE)	Framework Agreement between the EU and the Republic of Algeria on the general principles for the participation of the Republic of Algeria in Union programmes	S&D: Panzeri	13 December 2016
2016/2219(INI)	Annual Report on Human Rights and Democracy in the World and the European Union's policy on the matter 2015	S&D: Weidenholzer	13 December 2016

PROCEDURE	TITLE	RAPPORTEUR(S)	DATE OF ADOPTION IN PLENARY
2016/0120(NLE)	Conclusion of the Agreement continuing the International Science and Technology Center between the European Union and EURATOM acting as one Party, and Georgia, Japan, the Kingdom of Norway, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Armenia, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Tajikistan, and the United States of America	EPP: Brok	17 January 2017
2015/0114(NLE)	Proposal for a Council decision on the conclusion of the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, of the other part	GUE/NGL: Scholz	14 February 2017
2016/2231(INI)	Motion for a resolution accompanying the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, of the other part	GUE/NGL: Scholz	14 February 2017
2016/2312(INI)	Report on the 2016 Commission Report on Albania	S&D: Fleckenstein	14 February 2017
2016/2313(INI)	Report on the 2016 Commission Report on Bosnia and Herzegovina	EPP: Preda	14 February 2017
2016/0373(NLE)	Strategic Partnership Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Canada, of the other part	ECR: Tannock	15 February 2017
2015/0292(NLE)	Association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Lebanon, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the EU	EPP: Mănescu	1 March 2017
2016/2309(INI)	Report on the 2016 Commission Report on Montenegro	ECR: Tannock	15 March 2017
2015/2343(INI)	Constitutional, legal and institutional implications of a common security and defence policy: possibilities offered by the Lisbon Treaty	EPP: Gahler, González Pons	15 March 2017

PROCEDURE	TITLE	RAPPORTEUR(S)	DATE OF ADOPTION IN PLENARY
2016/2228(INI)	An integrated European Union policy for the Arctic	ALDE: Paet EPP: Pietikäinen	15 Mar 2017
2015/2342(INI)	Addressing Refugee and Migrant Movements: the Role of EU External Action	EPP: Díaz De Mera García Consuegra S&D: Valenciano	4 April 2017
2015/0113(NLE)	Conclusion of the Protocol to the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, on the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union	GUE/NGL: Scholz	16 May 2017
2016/0311(NLE)	Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Bosnia and Herzegovina, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the EU	EPP: Preda	16 May 2017
2016/2220(INI)	Statelessness in South and South East Asia	ECR: Bashir	12 June 2017
2016/2311(INI)	Report on the 2016 Commission Report on Serbia	EPP: McAllister	13 June 2017
2016/2314(INI)	Report on the 2016 Commission Report on Kosovo	Greens/EFA: Lunacek	13 June 2017
2016/2310(INI)	Report on the 2016 Commission Report on the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	ALDE: Vajgl	14 June 2017
2016/2238(INI)	Private Security Companies	ALDE: Vautmans	3 July 2017
2016/2239(INI)	Addressing human rights violations in the context of war crimes, and crimes against humanity, including genocide	EPP: Preda	3 July 2017
2016/2308(INI)	Report on the 2016 Commission Report on Turkey	S&D: Piri	3 July 2017
2013/0115(NLE)	Framework Agreement between the EU and Kosovo on the general principles for the participation of Kosovo in Union programmes	Greens/EFA: Lunacek	4 July 2017

PROCEDURE	TITLE	RAPPORTEUR(S)	DATE OF ADOPTION IN PLENARY
2016/0298(NLE)	Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Cuba, of the other	S&D: Valenciano	4 July 2017
2016/2240(INI)	Towards an EU strategy for international cultural relations	EPP: Brok S&D: Costa	4 July 2017
2016/0281(COD)	European Fund for Sustainable Development (EFSD) and establishing the EFSD Guarantee and the EFSD Guarantee Fund	EPP: Kukan S&D: Gardiazabal, Rubial, Frunzulică	5 July 2017
2017/2025(INI)	EU political relations with India	EPP: Preda	11 September 2017
2017/2028(INI)	Corruption and human rights in third countries	ALDE: Auštrevičius	11 September 2017
2017/2029(INI)	Arms export: implementation of Common Position 2008/944/CFSP	Greens/EFA: Valero	11 September 2017
2017/2027(INI)	EU political relations with Latin America	S&D: López	12 September 2017
2017/2026(INI)	EU political relations with ASEAN	Greens/EFA: Bütikofer	2 October 2017
2016/0217(NLE)	Conclusion of the Agreement establishing the EU-LAC International Foundation	GUE/NGL: Couso Permuy	3 October 2017
2017/2130(INI)	Recommendation to the Council, the Commission and the EEAS on the Eastern Partnership, in the run-up to the November 2017 Summit	EPP: Andrikienė S&D: Fleckenstein	13 November 2017
2016/0366(NLE)	Conclusion of the Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation between the EU and its Member States, of the one part, and New Zealand, of the other part	ECR: Tannock	16 November 2017
2016/0207(COD)	Establishing an instrument contributing to stability and peace	EPP: Danjean	29 November 2017
2017/2121(INI)	Annual Report on the implementation of the Common Foreign and Security Policy	EPP: McAllister	11 December 2017
2017/2122(INI)	Annual Report on Human Rights and Democracy in the World 2016 and the European Union's policy on the matter	EPP: Quisthoudt- Rowohl	11 December 2017

PROCEDURE	TITLE	RAPPORTEUR(S)	DATE OF ADOPTION IN PLENARY
2017/2123(INI)	Annual Report on the implementation of the Common Security and Defence Policy	EPP: Gahler	12 December 2017
2017/2204(INI)	Recommendation to the Council, Commission and the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy concerning Hong Kong, 20 years after handover	Greens/EFA: Smith	12 December 2017
2016/0166(NLE)	Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the EU and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Kazakhstan, of the other part	S&D: Jaakonsaari	13 December 2017
2017/2035(INI)	Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the EU and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Kazakhstan, of the other part	S&D: Jaakonsaari	13 December 2017
2017/2203(INI)	Recommendation to the Council, the Commission, and the EEAS on cutting the sources of income for Jihadists - targeting the financing of terrorism	ALDE: Nart	1 March 2018
2017/2280(INI)	Implementation of the EU external financing instruments: mid-term review 2017 and the future post-2020 architecture	ALDE: Schaake	16 April 2018
2016/0367(NLE)	Conclusion of the Framework Agreement between the EU and its Member States, of the one part, and Australia, of the other part	EPP: Millán Mon	17 April 2018
2017/2227(INI)	Accompanying resolution to the consent on the Conclusion of the Framework Agreement between the EU and its Member States, of the one part, and Australia, of the other part	EPP: Millán Mon	17 April 2018
2015/0138(NLE)	Framework Agreement between the EU and its Member States, on the one hand, and the Republic of Korea, on the other hand, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the EU	EPP: Saïfi	2 May 2018

PROCEDURE	TITLE	RAPPORTEUR(S)	DATE OF ADOPTION IN PLENARY
2017/0083(NLE)	Protocol to the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement establishing a partnership between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Uzbekistan, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union	ALDE: Radoš	2 May 2018
2018/2017(INI)	Recommendation to the Council, the Commission, and the EEAS on Libya	S&D: Panzeri	28 May 2018
2017/2276(INI)	EU-NATO relations	S&D: Paşcu	11 June 2018
2018/2004(INI)	Cyber defence	ALDE: Paet	11 June 2018
2018/2018(INI)	Recommendation to the Council, Commission and the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy on the negotiations on the modernisation of the EU-Chile Association Agreement.	ECR: Tannock	11 June 2018
2017/2056(INI)	Recommendations to the Council, the Commission and the EEAS on the negotiations on the EU-Azerbaijan Comprehensive Agreement	ALDE: Nicolai	2 July 2018
2017/2206(INI)	Violation of the rights of indigenous peoples in the world, including land grabbing	S&D: Assis	2 July 2018
2017/2275(INI)	Towards an EU external strategy against early and forced marriages - next steps	ALDE: Goerens	2 July 2018
2018/2040(INI)	Recommendation to the Council on the 73rd Session of the United Nations General Assembly	S&D: Freund	2 July 2018
2017/2272(INI)	Climate diplomacy	S&D: Leinen, Lietz	2 July 2018
2017/0238(NLE)	Comprehensive and Enhanced Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Armenia, of the other part	EPP: Tőkés	3 July 2018

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<u>2017/2269(INI)</u>	Accompanying resolution to the consent on the Comprehensive and Enhanced Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Armenia, of the other part	EPP: Tőkés	3 July 2018
2010/0310M(NLE)	Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the EU and Iraq	EPP: Saïfi	4 July 2018
2017/2271(INI)	State of EU-US relations	EPP: Brok	11 September 2018
2017/2274(INI)	State of EU-China relations	ECR: Belder	11 September 2018
2017/2281(INI)	Implementation of the EU association agreement with Moldova	ALDE: Auštrevičius	13 November 2018
2017/2282(INI)	Implementation of the EU association agreement with Georgia	S&D: Mamikins	13 November 2018
2018/2157(INI)	Arms export: implementation of Common Position 2008/944/CFSP	GUE/NGL: Lösing	13 November 2018
2018/2147(INI)	Report on the 2018 Commission Report on Albania	S&D: Fleckenstein	28 November 2018
2018/2146(INI)	Report on the 2018 Commission Report on Serbia	EPP: McAllister	28 November 2018
2018/2149(INI)	Report on the 2018 Commission Report on Kosovo	Greens/EFA: Šoltes	28 November 2018
<u>2018/2117(INI)</u>	Recommendation to the Council, Commission and the Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy on defence of academic freedom in the EU's external action	S&D: Khan	28 November 2018
2018/2144(INI)	Report on the 2018 Commission Report on Montenegro	ECR: Tannock	28 November 2018
2018/2145(INI)	Report on the 2018 Commission Report on the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	ALDE: Vajgl	28 November 2018
2018/2156(INI)	Military Mobility	EPP: Kelam	10 December 2018
2018/0122(NLE)	Strategic Partnership Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Japan, of the other part	EPP: Peterle	11 December 2018

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2018/2097(INI)	Annual report on the implementation of the Common Foreign and Security Policy	EPP: McAllister	11 December 2018
2018/2098(INI)	Annual report on Human Rights and Democracy in the World 2017 and the European Union's policy on the matter	ALDE: Auštrevičius	11 December 2018
2017/0185(NLE)	Protocol to the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement establishing a partnership between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Kyrgyz Republic, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union	EPP: Preda	14 January 2019
2018/2118(INI)	Recommendation to the Council, Commission and the Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy on the comprehensive agreement between the EU and the Kyrgyz Republic	EPP: Preda	14 January 2019
2018/2155(INI)	EU Guidelines and the mandate of the EU Special Envoy on the promotion of freedom of religion or belief outside the EU	EPP: Grzyb	14 January 2019
2018/0403(NLE)	Council decision on the conclusion of the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the EU and the Republic of Singapore	EPP: López-Istúriz White	12 February 2019
2018/2148(INI)	Report on the 2018 Commission Report on Bosnia and Herzegovina	EPP: Preda	13 February 2019
2018/2150(INI)	Report on the 2018 Commission Report on Turkey	S&D: Piri	11 March 2019
2018/2158(INI)	State of EU-Russia political relations	EPP: Kalniete	11 March 2019
2018/2159(INI)	Building EU capacity on conflict prevention and mediation	S&D: Post	11 March 2019
2015/0302(NLE)	Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development between the EU and the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan	ECR: Fotyga	12 March 2019

PROCEDURE	TITLE	RAPPORTEUR(S)	DATE OF ADOPTION IN PLENARY
2016/0121(NLE)	Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Arab Republic of Egypt, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the EU	EPP: Mănescu	12 March 2019
2018/2115(INI)	Recommendation to the Vice President/ High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and to the Council on taking stock of the follow up taken by the EEAS two years after the EP Report on EU strategic communication to counteract propaganda against it by third parties	ECR: Fotyga	12 March 2019
2018/2246(INI)	Recommendation to the Council, to the Commission and to the Vice-President/ High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy on the Association Agreement between the EU and Monaco, Andorra, and San Marino	S&D: López Aguilar	12 March 2019
2018/2116(INI)	Recommendation to the Council, Commission and the Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy on the scope and mandate for EU Special Representatives	ALDE: Vautmans	13 March 2019
2018/0243(COD)	Establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument	ALDE: Goerens EPP: Engel, Preda S&D: Panzeri	25 March 2019
2018/2160(INI)	Post-Arab Spring: Way forward for the MENA region	S&D: Benefei	25 March 2019
2018/2236(INI)	Recommendation to the Council, to the Commission and to the Vice-President/ High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy on the new comprehensive agreement between the EU and Uzbekistan	EPP: McAllister	25 March 2019

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2018/2262(INI)	Recommendation to the Council, the Commission and the Vice President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy on the Institutional Framework Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation	S&D: Frunzulică	25 March 2019
2018/0080(NLE)	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, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union	EPP: Preda	26 March 2019
2018/0247(COD)	Establishing the Instrument for Preaccession Assistance (IPA III)	EPP: Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra S&D: Fleckenstein	26 March 2019
2018/2237(INI)	Recommendation to the High Representative and to the Council on the Proposal of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, with the support of the Commission, to the Council, for a Council Decision establishing a European Peace Facility	ALDE: Vautmans	27 March 2019

## ii. AFET missions during 8th legislature

(Including 10 Inter-Parliamentary Conferences, not including missions with one MEP, e.g. rapporteur or Chair)

MISSION	DATES
UN General Assembly, New York	27 - 28 October 2014
Rome, Italy 5th Inter-Parliamentary Conference CFSP and CSDP	5 - 7 November 2014
Lebanon and Jordan	16 - 18 February 2015
Riga, Latvia 6th Inter-Parliamentary Conference CFSP and CSDP	4 - 6 March 2015
Kurdish region of Northern Iraq	18 - 20 March 2015
Turkey	16 - 19 March 2015
Iran	5 - 7 June 2015
Ukraine and Georgia	22 - 26 July 2015
Luxembourg 7th Inter-Parliamentary Conference CFSP and CSDP	5 - 6 September 2015
Serbia and Kosovo	23 - 25 September 2015
UN General Assembly, New York	1 - 3 November 2015
Venezuela EP exploratory mission	4 - 7 November 2015
Berlin Prep for DE Presidency	12 - 13 November 2015
Tunisia	6 - 8 January 2016
Egypt	6 - 8 February 2016
Saudi Arabia and Qatar	8 - 12 February 2016
Argentina	29 - 31 March 2016
Den Hague, The Netherlands 8th Inter-Parliamentary Conference CFSP and CSDP	6 - 8 April 2016

MISSION	DATES
Bosnia and Herzegovina	18 - 19 May 2016
Colombia	20 - 22 July 2016
Bratislava, Slovakia 9th Inter-Parliamentary Conference CFSP and CSDP	2 - 4 September 2016
Colombia EP ad hoc delegation to accompany the plebiscite on the peace agreement	28 September - 3 October 2016
UN General Assembly, New York	31 October - 4 November 2016
Israel and Jordan	2 - 6 January 2017
Armenia, Georgia and Azerbaijan	22 - 26 May 2017
Pakistan	17 - 21 April 2017
India	21 - 24 February 2017
Valletta, Malta 10th Inter-Parliamentary Conference CFSP and CSDP	26 - 28 April 2017
Morocco	17 - 21 July 2017
Tallinn, Estonia 11th Inter-Parliamentary Conference CFSP and CSDP	7 - 9 September 2017
UN General Assembly (with DROI), New York	30 October - 3 November 2017
Washington DC (with SEDE)	31 October - 3 November 2017
Niger (with SEDE)	18 - 22 December 2017
Myanmar (Burma) (with DROI)	11 - 16 February 2018
Iran, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait (Iran jointly with DROI)	12 - 16 February 2018

MISSION	DATES
South Korea and Japan	2 - 6 April 2018
Moldova and Ukraine	2 - 6 April 2018
Sofia, Bulgaria 12th Inter-Parliamentary Conference CFSP and CSDP	15 - 17 April 2018
ASEAN Headquarters, Indonesia and Thailand	7 - 11 May 2018
Armenia	18 June 2018
Algeria and Tunisia	16 - 20 July 2018
Oslo and Northern Norway	20 - 24 August 2018
Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan	17 - 21 September 2018
UN General Assembly, New York	29 October - 2 November 2018
Buenos Aires, Argentina G20 Parliamentary Conference (with INTA)	31 October - 1 November 2018
Vienna, Austria 13th Inter-Parliamentary Conference CFSP and CSDP	11 - 12 October 2018
Iraq and Oman	17 - 20 December 2018
Nicaragua (with EUROLAT)	23 - 26 January 2019
Serbia and Kosovo	27 February - 2 March 2019
North Macedonia and Albania	27 February - 1 March 2019
Bucharest, Romania 14th Inter-Parliamentary Conference CFSP and CSDP	6 - 8 March 2019

## iii. AFET hearings during 8th legislature

TITLE	DATE
The state of EU-Russia relations	24 February 2015
Access to justice and rights in the zones affected by protracted conflicts - with a particular focus on the countries of the Eastern Partnership  Jointly with Euronest	26 February 2015
The review of the European Neighbourhood Policy	2 March 2015
A security strategy for Libya	5 May 2015
The challenges and perspectives in the EU-China Strategic Partnership	26 May 2015
The CFSP under the Lisbon Treaty: unlocking its full potential Jointly with AFCO	13 October 2015
The EU's strategy towards Iran after the nuclear agreement	19 October 2015
Proxy Wars in the EU Neighbourhood	10 November 2015
Security and Stability in the Middle East and North Africa	13 April 2015
The Global Strategy - What way forward for the EU	14 January 2016
Hearing on the Columbian peace process	28 January 2016
EU Strategic Communication to Counteract Propaganda against it by Third Parties	19 April 2016
EU policy in the Sahel Region In association with DEVE	14 November 2016
The situation in the African Great Lakes region	5 December 2016
The Nordstream 2 and its geopolitical implications	31 January 2017
EU-Latin America relations	21 March 2017
The East and South China Sea Tensions Implications for Global Security	22 March 2017
Responsibility to Protect	20 June 2017
International Criminal Court	2 May 2017
The role of the future Comprehensive Agreements with Armenia and Azerbaijan	20 July 2017

TITLE	DATE
Mid-term evaluation of the EU Enlargement Policy and the way forward	21 November 2017
Prospects for Libya in the current regional context	4 December 2017
EU-US relations	16 May 2018
EU-China relations	24 April 2018
External Financing Instruments within AFET's remit	1 February 2018
Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA): EU policy options in case of U.S. decertification	12 April 2018
EU-Russia political relations	22 November 2018
EU-Japan Relations	6 December 2018
Post-Arab Spring: Way forward for the MENA region	22 January 2019
Rule of law in the EU accession process  Jointly with LIBE	18 March 2019

## iv. AFET workshops during 8th legislature

DATE	COMMITTEE/DELEGATION	WORKSHOP/STUDY
17 November 2016	AFET/DEVE/Delegation for relations with Afghanistan	Afghanistan: Challenges and perspectives until 2020
24 January 2017	AFET	Workshop on EU-Turkmenistan relations
3 May 2017	AFET	Sectarianism in the MENA region
20 February 2018	AFET	Climate diplomacy
9 October 2018	AFET/DEVE	The European Parliament and the new external financing instruments (joint AFET-DEVE)

## v. Speakers invited to AFET meetings during 8th legislature

SPEAKER	TITLE	DATE
<b>David O'Sullivan</b> Head of the EU Delegation in Washington	Exchange of views with David O'Sullivan, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation in Washington (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP)	14 July 2014
Jari Vilen Head of the EU Delegation to the Council of Europe	Exchange of views with Jari Vilen, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to the Council of Europe (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/ VP)	14 July 2014
Hans Dietmar Schweisgut Head of the EU Delegation in China and Mongolia	Exchange of views with Hans Dietmar Schweisgut, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation in China and Mongolia (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP)	1 September 2014
<b>János Herman</b> Head of the EU Delegation in Georgia	Exchange of views with János Herman, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation in Georgia (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP)	1 September 2014
Eneko Landaburu Fondation Notre Europe Kevin Watkins European think tanks group	Exchange of views on the global challenges facing the EU's foreign policy with Eneko Landaburu (Fondation Notre Europe) and Kevin Watkins (European think tanks group) on the occasion of the release of studies on "Engaging Europe in the world" and on "Why Europe's problems need global solutions and the world's problems need European action" respectively	1 September 2014
<b>Federica Mogherini</b> Italian Minister for Foreign Affairs	Exchange of views with Federica Mogherini, Minister for Foreign Affairs, on the Italian Presidency priorities on enlargement	2 September 2014
Ertugrul Apakan Chief Monitor of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine Peter Balas Head of the European Commission Support Group for Ukraine Jana Hybášková Head of the EU Delegation in Iraq	<ul> <li>Exchange of views on crises in the EU wider neighbourhood with:</li> <li>Ertugrul Apakan, Chief Monitor of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine, and Peter Balas, Head of the European Commission Support Group for Ukraine</li> <li>Jana Hybášková, Head of the EU Delegation in Iraq</li> </ul>	2 September 2014
	<ul> <li>Third Annual Conference of EU Heads of Delegations (EEAS) - Parallel sessions of the regional/geographic groups:</li> <li>"Revamping EU policy for the broader neighbourhood"</li> <li>"Toward an EU economic, political and security strategy in Asia-Pacific region and transatlantic relations"</li> <li>"Challenges for EU development cooperation in Africa and Latin America"</li> </ul>	2 September 2014

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Shawqy Ibrahim Abdul Kareem Allam Grand Mufti of Egypt	Exchange of views with Shawqy Ibrahim Abdul Kareem Allam, the Grand Mufti of Egypt	8 September 2014
<b>Romana Vlahutin</b> Head of the EU Delegation in Albania	Exchange of views with Romana Vlahutin, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation in Albania (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP)	22 September 2014
	Exchange of views on topical issues, follow-up on adopted resolutions:	
	<ul> <li>Ukraine: political situation and ratification of the Association Agreement</li> <li>Iraq-Syria, Gaza and Libya</li> </ul>	23 September 2014
<b>Viorel Isticioaia-Budura</b> Head of the EU Delegation in Japan	Exchange of views with Viorel Isticioaia-Budura, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation in Japan (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP)	23 September 2014
<b>Szabolcs Fazakas</b> Member responsible for the European Court of Auditors	Joint presentation CONT/AFET of the Special Report "The establishment of the European External Action Service" in the presence of the Member responsible for the European Court of Auditors, Szabolcs Fazakas	23 September 2014
<b>Robert Turner</b> Director of UNRWA	Exchange of views with Robert Turner, Director of UNRWA Operations in Gaza	23 September 2014
	Presentation of the 2014 Sakharov Prize nominees	23 September 2014
Johannes Hahn Commissioner-designate for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	Hearing of Johannes Hahn, Commissioner-designate for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	30 September 2014
Federica Mogherini High Representative of the Union for Foreign Policy and Security Policy and Vice- President-designate	Hearing of Federica Mogherini, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Policy and Security Policy and Vice- President-designate of the European Commission	6 October 2014
	Exchange of views on European defence policy and capabilities Follow-up of the European Council of December 2013 (Jointly with SEDE)	7 October 2014
<b>Štefan Füle</b> Commissioner for Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy	Presentation of the 2014 Enlargement package by Štefan Füle, Commissioner for Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy	8 October 2014

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<b>Tea Tsulukiani</b> Minister of Justice of Georgia	Exchange of views with Tea Tsulukiani, Minister of Justice of Georgia	16 October 2014
<b>Volkan Bozkır</b> Minister for EU Affairs of Turkey	Exchange of views with Volkan Bozkır, Minister for EU Affairs of Turkey	16 October 2014
Jean-Paul Laborde UN Executive Director of Counter-Terrorism Committee	Exchange of views with Jean-Paul Laborde, United Nations Executive Director of Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED) (joint LIBE)	16 October 2014
Herbert Salber EU Special Representative for the South Caucasus and the crisis in Georgia	Herbert Salber, European Union Special Representative for the South Caucasus and the crisis in Georgia	3 November 2014
Kenneth Deane Civilian Operations Commander / Director of CPCC Fernando Gentilini Director for Western Europe and Balkans of EEAS	Kenneth Deane, Civilian Operations Commander / Director of CPCC, and Fernando Gentilini, Director for Western Europe and Balkans of EEAS on EULEX Kosovo	3 November 2014
Jerzy Pomianowski EED Executive Director	Exchange of views with Jerzy Pomianowski, European Endowment For Democracy (EED) Executive Director on the presentation of the EED Annual Report	4 November 2014
Masrour Barzani Chancellor of the Security Council of the Kurdistan Region of Iraq	Masrour Barzani, Chancellor of the Security Council of the Kurdistan Region of Iraq	4 November 2014
Stavros Lambrinidis EU Special Representative for Human Rights	Stavros Lambrinidis, European Union Special Representative for Human Rights, on his recent visits to Egypt and Pakistan	4 November 2014
Juan Manuel Santos Calderón President of Colombia	Juan Manuel Santos Calderón, President of Colombia	4 November 2014
<b>Federica Mogherini</b> VP/HR for the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy	Exchange of views with Federica Mogherini, Vice President of the European Commission and EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy on the preparation of the Foreign Affairs Council	12 November 2014
<b>Lamberto Zannier</b> Secretary General of the OSCE	Lamberto Zannier, Secretary General of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE)	12 November 2014

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<b>Pavlo Klimkin</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine	Pavlo Klimkin, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, on the situation in Ukraine	17 November 2014
Hugues Mingarelli EEAS Managing Director for North Africa, Middle East, the Arabian Peninsula, Iran and Iraq	Exchange of views on the latest developments in Syria and Iraq with Hugues Mingarelli, Managing Director for North Africa, the Middle East, the Arabian Peninsula, Iran and Iraq at the European External Action Service	17 November 2014
Pierre Vimont  Executive Secretary General of the EEAS	Debriefing on the Foreign Affairs Council of 17 November 2014 by Pierre Vimont, Executive Secretary General of the European External Action Service	17 November 2014
Johannes Hahn Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	Exchange of views with Johannes Hahn, European Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	1 December 2014
<b>Federica Mogherini</b> VP/HR of the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy	Exchange of views with Federica Mogherini, Vice-President of the European Commission and High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy	1 December 2014
Pieter de Gooijer Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the EU	Debriefing by Pieter de Gooijer, Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the EU, on the state of investigations on the MH17 crash in Ukraine	1 December 2014
	Exchange of views on the working document on the Annual Report from the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy to the European Parliament	2 December 2014
Ditmir Bushati Foreign Minister of Albania Zlatko Lagumdžija Foreign Minister of Bosnia and Herzegovina Nikola Poposki Foreign Minister of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Enver Hoxhaj Foreign Minister of Kosovo Igor Lukšić Foreign Minister of Montenegro Ivica Dačić Foreign Minister of Serbia	Exchange of views with Foreign Ministers of the countries of the Western Balkans on the enlargement progress reports	2 December 2014

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<b>Mikhail Khodorkovsky</b> Founder of the Open Russia Movement	Exchange of views with Mikhail Khodorkovsky, founder of the Open Russia Movement (In association with DROI and with the Delegation to the EU-Russia Parliamentary Cooperation Committee)	2 December 2014
<b>Tammam Salam</b> Prime Minister of Lebanon	Exchange of views with Tammam Salam, Prime Minister of Lebanon (In association with the Delegation for relations with the Mashreq countries)	2 December 2014
Bernardino León UN Special Representative and Head of the UN Support Mission in Libya	Exchange of views with Bernardino León, UN Special Representative and Head of the UN Support Mission in Libya	2 December 2014
	Exchange of views on Neighbourhood Policy with a delegation of the Committee on European Union Affairs of the Bundestag	11 December 2014
<b>Thorbjørn Jagland</b> Secretary General of the Council of Europe	Exchange of views with Thorbjørn Jagland, Secretary General of the Council of Europe, on current issues of common interest to the European Union and Council of Europe	12 January 2015
	Exchange of views on Russia and the European Eastern Neighbourhood	12 January 2015
<b>Edgars Rinkēvičs</b> Latvian Minister for Foreign Affairs	Exchange of views with Edgars Rinkēvičs, Minister for Foreign Affairs, on the Latvian Presidency priorities on enlargement and debriefing of the Foreign Affairs Council	19 January 2015
Nabil El Araby Secretary General of the League of the Arab States	Exchange of views with Nabil El Araby, Secretary General of the League of the Arab States	20 January 2015
	Exchange of views with the Conference of Delegation Chairs on EU external relations challenges and cooperation between Delegations and Committees	20 January 2015
	European Youth Event (EYE) Speed Hearing	20 January 2015
Mohamed Bihi Yonis Minister for Foreign Affairs of Somaliland	Exchange of views with Mohamed Bihi Yonis, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Somaliland	20 January 2015
	Exchange of views on the latest developments in Ukraine	26 January 2015
Maciej Popowski Deputy Secretary General of the EEAS and Chief Negotiator on Switzerland on EU-Swiss negotiations	Exchange of views with Maciej Popowski, Deputy Secretary General of the EEAS and Chief Negotiator on Switzerland on EU-Swiss negotiations	2 February 2015

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<b>Staffan de Mistura</b> UN Special Envoy to Syria	Exchange of views with Staffan de Mistura, United Nations Special Envoy to Syria	2 February 2015
<b>Jan Eliasson</b> Deputy Secretary General of the UN	Exchange of views with Jan Eliasson, Deputy Secretary General of the United Nations	2 February 2015
Alexey Pushkov Chairman of the Committee on International Affairs of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation	Exchange of views on the state of EU-Russia relations with Alexey Pushkov, Chairman of the Committee on International Affairs of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation	9 February 2015
<b>Volodymyr Groysman</b> Speaker of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine	Exchange of views with Volodymyr Groysman, Speaker of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine	24 February 2015
Pierre Krähenbühl Commissioner-General of UNRWA	Exchange of views with Pierre Krähenbühl, Commissioner- General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA)	2 March 2015
Johannes Hahn Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations	Review of the European Neighbourhood Policy - presentation of the Green Paper by Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations	9 March 2015
	Exchange of views on cultural diplomacy and the follow- up to the Commission preparatory action on "Culture in the external relations of the European Union" (see separate programme) (joint CULT)	23 March 2015
<b>Jens Stoltenberg</b> NATO Secretary General	Exchange of views with Jens Stoltenberg, NATO Secretary General	30 March 2015
<b>Gilles de Kerchove</b> EU Counter-Terrorism Coordinator	Exchange of views with Gilles de Kerchove, EU Counter- Terrorism Coordinator	30 March 2015
Lars Gunnar Wigemark EU Special Representative and Head of the EU Delegation in Bosnia and Herzegovina	Exchange of views with Lars Gunnar Wigemark, newly appointed EU Special Representative and Head of the EU Delegation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR) (In camera)	31 March 2015
	Conference on Research Projects in the neighbourhood (Jointly with ITRE)	31 March 2015
	Topical debate on the situation in Yemen	14 April 2015
	Exchange of views with a high level group of parliamentarians from Tanzania	4 May 2015

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Johannes Hahn Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	(Inter-parliamentary meeting with delegations from the Foreign Affairs Committees of the National Parliaments) Exchange of views with Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations, on the Review of the European Neighbourhood Policy	5 May 2015
Alain Le Roy EEAS Executive Secretary General	Exchange of views on the preparation of the June European Summit on Defence with Alain Le Roy, EEAS Executive Secretary General (Inter-parliamentary meeting with delegations from the Security and Defence Committees of the National Parliaments. In association with the Subcommittee on Security and Defence)	5 May 2015
<b>Giorgi Margvelashvili</b> President of Georgia	Exchange of views with Giorgi Margvelashvili, President of Georgia (In association with the Delegation to the EU-Armenia and EU-Azerbaijan Parliamentary Cooperation Committees, and to the EU-Georgia Parliamentary Association Committee)	11 May 2015
Peter Maurer President of the International Committee of the Red Cross	Exchange of views with Peter Maurer, President of the International Committee of the Red Cross (joint DEVE)	26 May 2015
Catherine Samba-Panza President of the Central African Republic	Exchange of views with Catherine Samba-Panza, President of the Central African Republic (joint with DEVE and SEDE)	26 May 2015
Christos Stylianides Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid & Crisis Management Kyung-wha Kang Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator	Introductory remarks on the Launch of the new Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) for Iraq with the participation of Christos Stylianides, Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid & Crisis Management, and Kyung-wha Kang, Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator	4 June 2015
Salim Abdullah al-Jabouri Speaker of the Iraqi Parliament Anthony Lake UNICEF Executive Director Margaret Chan WHO Director General	<ul> <li>Key Note speeches on the launch of the new HRP for Iraq by:</li> <li>◆ Salim Abdullah al-Jabouri, Speaker of the Iraqi Parliament,</li> <li>◆ Anthony Lake, UNICEF Executive Director</li> <li>◆ Margaret Chan, WHO Director General</li> </ul>	4 June 2015
<b>Lise Grande</b> DSRSG/HC/RC for Iraq	Presentation of the revised HRP by Lise Grande, DSRSG/HC/RC for Iraq	4 June 2015

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Volker Türk  UNHCR Assistant High Commissioner for Protection Barbara Noseworthy WFP Deputy Executive Director  Patrick Youssef International Committee of the Red Cross Jan Egeland Secretary General of the Norwegian Refugee Council Ali Sindi Minister of Planning, Kurdistan Regional Government	<ul> <li>Humanitarian Panel with the participation of:</li> <li>Volker Türk, UNHCR Assistant High Commissioner for Protection,</li> <li>Barbara Noseworthy, WFP Deputy Executive Director,</li> <li>Patrick Youssef, International Committee of the Red Cross, Head of Office, Baghdad,</li> <li>Jan Egeland, Secretary General of the Norwegian Refugee Council;</li> <li>and</li> <li>Debate with the participation of Ali Sindi, Minister of Planning, Kurdistan Regional Government</li> </ul>	4 June 2015
Fernando Gentilini EU Special Representative for the Middle East Peace Process	Exchange of views with Fernando Gentilini, EU Special Representative for the Middle East Peace Process (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR) (In camera)	15 June 2015
Michel Dominique Reveyrand-de Menthon EU Special Representative for the Sahel	Exchange of views with Michel Dominique Reveyrand-de Menthon, EU Special Representative for the Sahel	15 June 2015
Gilles de Kerchove EU Counter-Terrorism Coordinator	Exchange of views with Gilles de Kerchove, EU Counter- Terrorism Coordinator, on the state of play of cooperation with third countries	15 June 2015
	Exchange of views on EU-UN cooperation with the UN Resident Coordinators in the Eastern Partnership countries	16 June 2015
Philippe Douste-Blazy Under-Secretary-General of the UN	Exchange of views with Philippe Douste-Blazy, Under- Secretary-General of the United Nations, on the financing of EU and UN priorities	16 June 2015
Fathallah Sijilmassi Secretary General of the Union for the Mediterranean	Exchange of views with Fathallah Sijilmassi, Secretary General of the Union for the Mediterranean, on the annual activity report	22 June 2015
<b>João Vale de Almeida</b> Head of EU Delegation to the UN	Exchange of views with João Vale de Almeida, newly appointed Head of EU Delegation to the UN (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR)	22 June 2015

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Federica Mogherini VP/HR of the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy	Debriefing on the Foreign Affairs Council of 22 June 2015 and preparation for the Defence Council of 25 June 2015 by VP/HR Federica Mogherini	23 June 2015
Madeleine Majorenko Head of the European Economic and Trade Office in Taiwan	Exchange of views with Madeleine Majorenko, newly appointed Head of the European Economic and Trade Office in Taiwan (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR)	23 June 2015
Marc Vanheukelen Head of EU Delegation to WTO in Geneva	Exchange of views with Marc Vanheukelen, newly appointed Head of EU Delegation to WTO in Geneva (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR)	23 June 2015
	Debriefing by the EEAS on the EU-CELAC Summit, Brussels, 10-11 June 2015	23 June 2015
	Exchange of views on the results of the European Council on Defence and Security	29 June 2015
<b>Jean-Francois Cautain</b> Head of the EU Delegation to Pakistan	Exchange of views with Jean-Francois Cautain, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Pakistan (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR)	15 July 2015
	Exchange of views with a group of Ukrainian Deputy Ministers in charge of European integration, on the implementation of the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement (In association with the Delegation to the EU-Ukraine Parliamentary Association Committee)	15 July 2015
Jean Asselborn Minister for Foreign and European Affairs of Luxembourg	Exchange of views with Jean Asselborn , Minister for Foreign and European Affairs of Luxembourg, on the priorities of the Luxembourg Presidency on enlargement	15 July 2015
<b>Francisco Fontan Pardo</b> Head of EU Delegation to ASEAN	Exchange of views with Francisco Fontan Pardo, newly appointed Head of EU Delegation to ASEAN (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR)	31 August 2015
	Exchange of views on the external dimension of the migration crisis	31 August 2015
<b>Hansjörg Haber</b> Head of EU Delegation to Turkey	Exchange of views with Hansjörg Haber, newly appointed Head of EU Delegation to Turkey (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR) (In camera)	14 September 2015
Ralph-Joseph Tarraf Head of EU Delegation to West Bank and Gaza	Exchange of views with Ralph-Joseph Tarraf, newly appointed Head of EU Delegation to West Bank and Gaza (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR) (In camera)	14 September 2015

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<b>Tomasz Kozlowski</b> Head of EU Delegation to India	Exchange of views with Tomasz Kozlowski, newly appointed Head of EU Delegation to India (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR) (In camera)	14 September 2015
	Topical debate on the situation on Turkey	14 September 2015
Miklós Haraszti UN Special Rapporteur Valiantin Stefanovic Vice-President of the Belarusian Human Rights Centre	Exchange of views on the situation in Belarus with Miklós Haraszti, UN Special Rapporteur, and Valiantin Stefanovic , Vice-President of the Belarusian Human Rights Centre "Viasna" (in association with the Delegation for relations with Belarus)	22 September 2015
	Exchange of views on the situation in Libya	22 September 2015
Mohammed bin Amin Al-Jefri Vice Speaker of Majlis Al-Shura, Consultative Assembly of Saudi Arabia	Exchange of views with Mohammed bin Amin Al-Jefri, Vice Speaker of Majlis Al-Shura, Consultative Assembly of Saudi Arabia	28 September 2015
Christian Leffler Deputy Secretary General of the EEAS for Economic and Global Issues	Exchange of views with Christian Leffler, Deputy Secretary General of the EEAS for Economic and Global Issues, on EU- Cuba relations	12 October 2015
<b>Federica Mogherini</b> VP/HR of the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy	Debriefing by Federica Mogherini, Vice-President of the European Commission and High Representative of the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, on the Foreign Affairs Council of 12 October 2015	13 October 2015
	Exchange of views with Ambassadors of Mexico, Korea, Turkey and Australia and Charge d'Affaires of Indonesia representing MIKTA Group	19 October 2015
Pierre Vimont Personal envoy of the President of the European Council	Exchange of views with Ambassador Pierre Vimont, personal envoy of the President of the European Council for the Valletta Conference on migration, 11-12 November	9 November 2015
Johannes Hahn Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	Presentation of the 2015 Enlargement Package by Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	10 November 2015 (ICM)

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Nikola Poposki Foreign Affairs Minister of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Roksanda Ninčić State Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia Esen Altuğ Deputy Director General for Migration, Asylum and Visa Issues, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkey Volker Türk UNHCR Assistant High Commissioner for Protection Christian Leffler Deputy Secretary-General of the EEAS	Exchange of views on migration through the Western Balkans with: Nikola Poposki, Foreign Affairs Minister of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; Roksanda Ninčić, State Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia; Esen Altuğ, Deputy Director General for Migration, Asylum and Visa Issues, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkey; Volker Türk, UNHCR Assistant High Commissioner for Protection; and Christian Leffler, Deputy Secretary-General of the European External Action Service.	10 November 2015 (ICM)
Fernando Gentilini EU Special Representative for the Middle East Peace Process	Exchange of views with Fernando Gentilini, EU Special Representative for the Middle East Peace Process	10 November 2015 (ICM)
<b>Giorgi Kvirikashvili</b> Vice Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia	In association with the Delegation to the EU-Georgia Parliamentary Association Committee Exchange of views with Giorgi Kvirikashvili, Vice Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia, on the political situation in Georgia (In camera)	16 November 2015
Frank-Walter Steinmeier Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs of Germany	Exchange of views with Frank-Walter Steinmeier, Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs of Germany	16 November 2015
<b>Andrian Candu</b> President of the Parliament of Moldova	In association with the Delegation to the EU-Moldova Parliamentary Association Committee Exchange of views with Andrian Candu, President of the Parliament of Moldova, on the political situation in Moldova	16 November 2015
Federica Mogherini VP/HR of the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Johannes Hahn Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	Presentation by the VP/HR Federica Mogherini and Commissioner Johannes Hahn on the joint communication on the "Review of the European Neighbourhood Policy"	18 November 2015

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Yassine Brahim Tunisian Minister for Investment and International Cooperation and Development	Exchange of views with Yassine Brahim, Minister for Investment and International Cooperation and Development of Tunisia	10 December 2015
<b>Bert Koenders</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands	Exchange of views with Bert Koenders, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands, on the priorities of the Netherlands Presidency of the European Council on enlargement	14 January 2016
	Exchange of views on "Association commitments: what progress in reforms in Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine" (In association with the Euronest Parliamentary Assembly and in cooperation with Open Society Foundations)	14 January 2016
	Exchange of views on the future of EU-Armenia relations with the Members of the EU-Armenia Parliamentary Cooperation Committee in occasion of the 16th meeting (In association with the Delegation to the EU-Armenia Parliamentary Association Committee)	21 January 2016
<b>Mohammad Javad Zarif</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran	Exchange of views with Mohammad Javad Zarif, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran	16 February 2016
<b>Tzachi Hanegbi</b> Chairman of the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee of the Knesset	Exchange of views with Tzachi Hanegbi, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee of the Knesset (In association with the Delegation for relations with Israel)	16 February 2016
Mogens Lykketoft UN General Assembly President	Exchange of views with Mogens Lykketoft, UN General Assembly President (Jointly with the Committee on Development and in association with the Subcommittee on Human Rights)	16 February 2016
<b>Federica Mogherini</b> VP/HR of the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy	Exchange of views with VP/HR Federica Mogherini on the current priorities in CFSP/CSDP	23 February 2016
<b>Nabih Berri</b> Speaker of the Lebanese Parliament	Exchange of views with Nabih Berri, Speaker of the Lebanese Parliament	23 February 2016
<b>Jens Stoltenberg</b> Secretary General of NATO	Exchange of views with the Secretary General of NATO, Jens Stoltenberg, on NATO priorities for 2016 and the July 2016 NATO Summit in Warsaw (Jointly with the Subcommittee on Security and Defence and in association with the Delegation for relations with the NATO Parliamentary Assembly)	23 February 2016

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Martin Kobler UN Secretary General Special Representative for Libya	Exchange of views with the UN Secretary General Special Representative for Libya, Martin Kobler	23 February 2016
<b>Janos Herman</b> Head of EU Delegation to Georgia	Exchange of views with Janos Herman, Head of EU Delegation to Georgia (In camera)	29 February 2016
<b>Aude Maio-Coliche</b> Head of EU Delegation to Venezuela	Exchange of views with Aude Maio-Coliche, Head of EU Delegation to Venezuela (In camera)	29 February 2016
<b>Roland Schäfer</b> Director for the Americas at the EEAS	Exchange of views with Roland Schäfer, Director for the Americas at the EEAS, on the modernisation of the EU-Mexico Global Agreement (In camera)	29 February 2016
Jeremy Nagoda EEAS representative in Gaziantep, Turkey	The situation in the South East of Turkey - exchange of views with Jeremy Nagoda, EEAS representative in Gaziantep, Turkey (In camera)	29 February 2016
Jerzy Pomianowski EED Director	Exchange of views with Jerzy Pomianowski, European Endowment For Democracy (EED) Executive Director on the presentation of the EED Annual Report	15 March 2016
Nicholas Westcott  EEAS Managing Director for the Middle East and North Africa  Michael Koehler  DG NEAR Director for Neighbourhood South	Exchange of views with Nicholas Westcott, EEAS Managing Director for the Middle East and North Africa and Michael Koehler, DG NEAR Director for Neighbourhood South, on the current state of play of EU-Morocco cooperation (In association with the Delegation for relations with the Maghreb countries and the Arab Maghreb Union)	15 March 2016
Carlos Moedas  Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science	Exchange of views with Carlos Moedas, Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science, on Science Diplomacy	15 March 2016
<b>Pavel Filip</b> Prime Minister of Moldova	Exchange of views with Pavel Filip, Prime Minister of Moldova (In association with the Delegation to the EU-Moldova Parliamentary Association Committee)	15 March 2016
<b>Thomas Mayr-Harting</b> EEAS Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia	Exchange of views with Thomas Mayr-Harting, EEAS Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia, on the current state of play of EU-Russia relations (In association with the Delegation to the EU-Russia Parliamentary Cooperation Committee)	15 March 2016

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<b>Tsetska Tsacheva</b> Bulgarian Speaker and Chair-in-Office of the SEECP PA	Exchange of views on the situation in the region and inter-parliamentary cooperation with Tsetska Tsacheva, Bulgarian Speaker and Chair-in-Office of the Parliamentary Assembly of the South East European Cooperation Process (SEEPC PA), and the delegation of the SEECP PA	21 March 2016
Shawki Ibrahim Abdel- Karim Allam Grand Mufti of Egypt	Exchange of views with Shawki Ibrahim Abdel-Karim Allam, Grand Mufti of Egypt	22 March 2016
<b>Riad Al-Malki</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of Palestine	Exchange of views with Riad Al-Malki, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Palestine	22 March 2016
<b>Peter Burian</b> EU Special Representative for Central Asia	Exchange of views with Peter Burian, EU Special Representative for Central Asia, on EU-Turkmenistan relations	11 April 2016
Fathallah Sijilmassi Secretary General of the Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean	Exchange of views with Fathallah Sijilmassi, Secretary General of the Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean	18 April 2016
Joëlle Jenny EEAS Director for Security Policy and Conflict Prevention	Exchange of views on the EU Wide Strategic Framework on Security Sector Reform with Joëlle Jenny, EEAS Director for Security Policy and Conflict Prevention (Jointly with the Committee on Development)	19 April 2016
<b>Gunnar Wiegand</b> EEAS Managing Director Asia and Pacific	Debriefing on the EU-India Summit in Brussels on 30 March 2016 by Gunnar Wiegand, EEAS Managing Director Asia and Pacific	19 April 2016
<b>Denis Zvizdić</b> Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Exchange of views with Denis Zvizdić, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina	12 May 2016
Alain Le Roy Secretary General of the EEAS	Debriefing of the Foreign Affairs Council on 23 May 2016 by Alain Le Roy, Secretary General of the EEAS	24 May 2016
Gilles de Kerchove EU Counter-Terrorism Coordinator	Exchange of views with Gilles de Kerchove, EU Counter- Terrorism Coordinator	24 May 2016
Johannes Hahn Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations	Exchange of views with Johannes Hahn, EU Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations, on the Commission working programme for the year 2017	6 June 2016

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<b>Giorgi Margvelashvili</b> President of Georgia	Exchange of views with Giorgi Margvelashvili, President of Georgia, on the EU-Georgia relations	6 June 2016
Ranieri Sabatucci Head of the EU Delegation to the African Union	Exchange of views with Ranieri Sabatucci, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to the African Union (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR) (In camera)	13 June 2016
Pierre Krähenbühl Commissioner General for UNRWA	Exchange of views on the situation of Palestine refugees with Pierre Krähenbühl, Commissioner General for the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) (Jointly with the Committee on Development)	13 June 2016
Natalya Apostolova Head of the EU Delegation to Kosovo	Exchange of views with Natalya Apostolova, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Kosovo (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR) (In camera)	13 June 2016
Selahattin Demirtaş Co-leader of the Peoples' Democratic Party in Turkey	Exchange of views with Selahattin Demirtaş, co-leader of the Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP) in Turkey	13 June 2016
<b>Bruce Stokes</b> Pew Research Center	Presentation of the Pew Research Center's survey on Europe's place in the world by Bruce Stokes	14 June 2016
	Exchange of views with representatives from the EEAS on the situation in Azerbaijan	14 June 2016
Jacques de Watteville State Secretary of the Swiss Federal Department of Finance Christian Leffler EEAS Deputy Secretary General in charge of Economic and Global Issues	Exchange of views on EU-Swiss relations with chief negotiators Jacques de Watteville, State Secretary of the Swiss Federal Department of Finance and Christian Leffler, EEAS Deputy Secretary General in charge of Economic and Global Issues	27 June 2016
Federica Mogherini VP/HR of the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Lassina Zerbo Executive Secretary of the Comprehensive Nuclear- Test-Ban Treaty Organization	Exchange of views on the 20th anniversary of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) with Federica Mogherini, High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the European Commission and Lassina Zerbo, Executive Secretary of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization	7 July 2016
Samuel Zbogar  Head of the EU Delegation to the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Exchange of views with Samuel Zbogar, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR) (In camera)	11 July 2016

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<b>Hugues Mingarelli</b> Head of the EU Delegation to Ukraine	Exchange of views with Hugues Mingarelli, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Ukraine (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR)	11 July 2016
<b>Roland Schäfer</b> Director for the Americas at the EEAS	Exchange of views on the current situation in Venezuela with Roland Schäfer, Director for the Americas at the European External Action Service	12 July 2016
<b>Miroslav Lajčák</b> Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of Slovakia	Exchange of views with Miroslav Lajčák, Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of Slovakia, on the priorities of the Slovak Presidency of the Council of the EU on enlargement	12 July 2016
	<ul> <li>Addressing the challenge of forced displacement</li> <li>Presentation of the European Commission Communication on Forced Displacement and Development (COM(2016)234 final) and exchange of views with experts (Jointly with DEVE)</li> </ul>	12 July 2016
Johannes Hahn EU Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations Thomas Mayr-Harting EEAS Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia	The reform of the judiciary in Albania  ◆ Exchange of views with Johannes Hahn, EU Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations and Thomas Mayr-Harting, EEAS Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia	19 July 2016
Johannes Hahn EU Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations Thomas Mayr-Harting EEAS Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia	Situation in Turkey following the attempted coup - Exchange of views with Johannes Hahn, EU Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations and Thomas Mayr-Harting, EEAS Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia	19 July 2016
<b>Jean-Michel Dumond</b> Head of the EU Delegation to Sudan	Exchange of views with Jean-Michel Dumond newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Sudan (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR) (In camera)	29 August 2016
<b>Bettina Muscheidt</b> Head of the EU Delegation to Libya	Exchange of views with Bettina Muscheidt newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Libya (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR) (In camera)	29 August 2016
	Exchange of views on the situation in Turkey	29 August 2016

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Gunnar Wiegand  Managing Director of the EEAS Asia/Pacific  Pierre Amilhat  DG DEVCO Director for Development Coordination - Asia, Central Asia, Middle East/Gulf and Pacific	In association with the Subcommittee on Security and Defence and the Delegation for relations with Afghanistan Exchange of views with Gunnar Wiegand, Managing Director of the EEAS Asia/Pacific and Pierre Amilhat, Director for Development Coordination - Asia, Central Asia, Middle East/Gulf and Pacific (DG DEVCO-EC) in view of the Afghanistan Donor Conference (Brussels, 5 October 2016)	29 August 2016
Karoline Popp Regional Liaison and Policy Officer, International Organization for Migration	Exchange of views on "Migration, displacement and development in a changing Arab world" with Karoline Popp, Regional Liaison and Policy Officer, International Organization for Migration - MENA Regional Office	29 August 2016
Mbarka Bouaida Minister attached to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Morocco Ambassador Hisham Badr Assistant Foreign Minister of Multilateral Affairs of Egypt	Exchange of views on "EU cooperation with third countries: ambitions and results following the Valletta Summit (11-12 November 2015)" with Mbarka Bouaida, Minister attached to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Morocco and Ambassador Hisham Badr, Assistant Foreign Minister of Multilateral Affairs of Egypt	29 August 2016
Lamberto Zannier OSCE Secretary General Gernot Erler Special Representative of Germany for the OSCE Chairmanship	Exchange of views on "Security in the OSCE Region" with Lamberto Zannier, OSCE Secretary General and Gernot Erler, Special Representative of Germany for the OSCE Chairmanship	29 August 2016
Julie Bishop Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia Steven Ciobo Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment of Australia	(Jointly with the Committee on International Trade) Exchange of views with Julie Bishop, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia, and Steven Ciobo, Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment of Australia	8 September 2016
Frank Brenner Director General of EUROCONTROL	Exchange of views with Frank Brenner, Director General of EUROCONTROL	8 September 2016
Johannes Hahn  Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations	Exchange of views with Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations	12 September 2016
<b>Helga Schmid</b> Secretary General of the EEAS	Exchange of views with Helga Schmid, Secretary General of the European External Action Service	10 October 2016

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	Exchange of views with young people of the European Youth Event (EYE) on the role of EU external action in dealing with migratory flows	11 October 2016
<b>Mohammad Al-Jefri</b> Deputy Speaker of the Shura Council of Saudi Arabia	Exchange of views with Mohammad Al-Jefri, Deputy Speaker of the Shura Council of Saudi Arabia (In association with the Delegation for relations with the Arab Peninsula)	11 October 2016
	Exchange of views with ASEAN Parliamentarians	11 October 2016
Christian Berger Head of the EU Delegation to Turkey	Exchange of views with Christian Berger newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Turkey (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR) (In camera)	20 October 2016
<b>Ranil Wickremesinghe</b> Prime Minister of Sri Lanka	Exchange of views with Ranil Wickremesinghe, Prime Minister of Sri Lanka	20 October 2016
Johannes Hahn Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	Presentation of the 2016 Enlargement Package by Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	9 November 2016
Andrew McDowell EIB Vice-President	Exchange of views with Andrew McDowell, EIB Vice- President, on the contribution of the European Investment Bank to EU external policies	29 November 2016
<b>Arseniy Yatsenyuk</b> Former Prime Minister of Ukraine	Exchange of views with Arseniy Yatsenyuk (former Prime Minister of Ukraine)	29 November 2016
Staffan de Mistura UN Special Envoy for Syria Stephen O'Brien UN Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator	(Jointly with the Committee on Development) Exchange of views on the political and humanitarian situation in Syria with Staffan de Mistura, UN Special Envoy for Syria, and Stephen O'Brien, UN Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator	29 November 2016
	Exchange of views on the Middle East peace process	29 November 2016
Raed Al Saleh Head of the Syrian Civil Defence	Exchange of views with Raed Al Saleh, Head of the Syrian Civil Defence (White Helmets)	5 December 2016
Nicholas Westcott EEAS Managing Director Middle East and North Africa	Exchange of views with Nicholas Westcott, EEAS Managing Director Middle East and North Africa, on EU-Morocco relations after the ECJ ruling on Council vs. Front Polisario	9 January 2017
	Exchange of views on the current situation and growing tensions in the Western Balkans	24 January 2017

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Ahmed Said Chair of the Committee for Foreign Affairs, Parliament of the Arab Republic of Egypt	Exchange of views with Ahmed Said, Chair of the Committee for Foreign Affairs, Parliament of the Arab Republic of Egypt	24 January 2017
<b>George Vella</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of Malta	Exchange of views with George Vella, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Malta, on the priorities of the Maltese Presidency of the Council of the EU on enlargement policy	24 January 2017
Daniel J. Costello Ambassador of Canada to the EU Christian Leffler Deputy Secretary General and EU Chief Negotiator for the EU-Canada SPA	Exchange of views with Daniel J. Costello, Ambassador of Canada to the European Union, and Christian Leffler, Deputy Secretary General and EU Chief Negotiator for the EU-Canada SPA, on the Strategic Partnership Agreement between the European Union and Canada	24 January 2017
<b>Børge Brende</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway	Exchange of views with Børge Brende , Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway	30 January 2017
<b>João Vale de Almeida</b> Head of the EU Delegation to the UN	Exchange of views with João Vale de Almeida, Head of the EU Delegation to the United Nations (In camera)	31 January 2017
Gunnar Wiegand EEAS Managing Director Asia and Pacific Manjeev Singh Puri Ambassador of India to the EU	Exchange of views on EU-India relations with Gunnar Wiegand, EEAS Managing Director Asia and Pacific, and Manjeev Singh Puri, Ambassador of India to the EU	9 February 2017
Ivan Surkos Head of the EU Delegation to Egypt	Exchange of views with Ivan Surkos, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Egypt (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the VP/HR) (In camera)	9 February 2017
Jacques de Watteville Swiss State Secretary and Chief EU Negotiator on institutional issues Christian Leffler EEAS Deputy Secretary- General for Global and Economic issues	Exchange of views on EU-Swiss relations with Jacques de Watteville, Swiss State Secretary and Chief EU Negotiator on institutional issues, and Christian Leffler, EEAS Deputy Secretary-General for Global and Economic issues	13 February 2017
<b>Srdjan Darmanović</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of Montenegro	Exchange of views with Srdjan Darmanović, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Montenegro	27 February 2017

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	Exchange of views on the situation in Venezuela with EEAS representatives	27 February 2017
	Impact and implementation of the ECJ ruling Council vs Front Polisario (C104/16P) on EU trade relations and cooperation with Morocco (Jointly with INTA and in association with the Delegation for relations with the Maghreb countries and the Arab Maghreb Union)	20 March 2017
<b>Jerzy Pomianowski</b> EED Director	Exchange of views with Jerzy Pomianowski, European Endowment For Democracy (EED) Executive Director on the presentation of the EED Annual Report	20 March 2017
	Exchange of views on the current situation in Libya (In camera)	20 March 2017
<b>Adam Shub</b> Chargé d'Affaires of the U.S. Mission to the EU	Exchange of views with Adam Shub, Chargé d'Affaires of the U.S. Mission to the European Union (In association with the Delegation for relations with the United States)	20 March 2017
Johannes Hahn  Commissioner on European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations	Strategic dialogue with Johannes Hahn, European Commissioner on European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations, on the implementation of the European Neighbourhood Instrument in 2017/2018-2020 (In camera)	3 April 2017
<b>Igor Crndak</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Exchange of views with Igor Crndak, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina	11 April 2017
Valentin Inzko UN High Representative for Bosnia and Herzegovina	Exchange of views with Valentin Inzko, UN High Representative for Bosnia and Herzegovina	11 April 2017
Gunnar Wiegand  EEAS Managing Director for Asia-Pacific  Ludo Cuyvers  Director, Centre for ASEAN Studies, University of Antwerp	Exchange of views on EU-ASEAN relations with Gunnar Wiegand, Managing Director for Asia-Pacific, EEAS, and Ludo Cuyvers, Director, Centre for ASEAN Studies, University of Antwerp	2 May 2017
	Exchange of views on the fight against impunity with particular focus on the International Criminal Court and the Kampala Amendments to the Rome Statute	2 May 2017
<b>Enver Hoxhaj</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kosovo	Exchange of views with Enver Hoxhaj, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kosovo	3 May 2017

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Roland Schäfer  EEAS Deputy Managing Director for the Americas Stavros Lambrinidis EU Special Representative for Human Rights	Exchange of views on the Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and Cuba with Roland Schäfer, EEAS Deputy Managing Director for the Americas, and Stavros Lambrinidis, European Union's Special Representative for Human Rights (In camera)	29 May 2017
Patrick Ky Executive Director of the European Aviation Safety Agency	Exchange of views with Patrick Ky, Executive Director of the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)	29 May 2017
<b>Denis Zvizdić</b> Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Exchange of views with Denis Zvizdić, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina	19 June 2017
Colin Scicluna EEAS Director Deputy Managing Director Middle East and North Africa	Exchange of views on the current crisis in the Gulf with Colin Scicluna, EEAS Director Deputy Managing Director Middle East and North Africa (In camera)	19 June 2017
Martin Kobler Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Support Mission in Libya	Exchange of views with Martin Kobler, Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Support Mission in Libya	20 June 2017
Peter Burian EU Special Representative for Central Asia Luc Devigne EEAS Deputy Managing Director for Central Asia	Exchange of views on the minor EU-Central Asia strategy review with Peter Burian, EU Special Representative for Central Asia, and Luc Devigne, Deputy Managing Director for Central Asia, EEAS (In association with the Delegation to the EU-Kazakhstan, EU-Kyrgyzstan, EU-Uzbekistan and EU-Tajikistan Parliamentary Cooperation Committees and for relations with Turkmenistan and Mongolia)	20 June 2017
Oleksii Makeiev Director-General for Policy and Communications at Ukrainian Foreign Ministry Andreas Prothmann Special Envoy for Ukraine, German Federal Foreign Office Raphaël Martin de Lagarde Deputy Director for Russia and Eastern Europe, French Ministry for Foreign Affairs	Exchange of views on the implementation of the Minsk Peace Agreements with Oleksii Makeiev, Director-General for Policy and Communications, Ukrainian Foreign Ministry; Andreas Prothmann, Special Envoy for Ukraine, Head of the Ukraine Task Force, German Federal Foreign Office; Raphaël Martin de Lagarde, Deputy Director for Russia and Eastern Europe, French Ministry for Foreign Affairs	20 June 2017

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Ján Figel Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion or belief outside the EU	Exchange of views with Ján Figel, Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion or belief outside the European Union	20 June 2017
	Exchange of views with the EEAS on the situation in the Maldives	26 June 2017
<b>Tosca Barucco</b> Chargé d'Affaires for Syria	Exchange of views with Tosca Barucco, newly appointed Chargé d'Affaires for Syria (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP)	26 June 2017
<b>Emanuele Giaufret</b> Head of Delegation for Israel	Exchange of views with Emanuele Giaufret, newly appointed Head of Delegation for Israel (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP)	10 July 2017
Ayman Safadi Minister of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan	Exchange of views with Ayman Safadi, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan	11 July 2017
<b>Sven Mikser</b> Foreign Minister of Estonia	Exchange of views with Sven Mikser, Foreign Minister of Estonia on the Estonian Presidency priorities	11 July 2017
<b>Sem Fabrizi</b> Head of Delegation for Serbia	Exchange of views with Sem Fabrizi, newly appointed Head of Delegation for Serbia (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP) (In camera)	11 July 2017
<b>Gunnar Wiegand</b> EEAS Managing Director Asia and Pacific	Exchange of views on Australia and New Zealand with Gunnar Wiegand, EEAS Managing Director Asia and Pacific	30 August 2017
Michele Giacomelli Special Envoy of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the Western Balkans Summit	Debriefing on the 2017 Western Balkans Summit in Trieste with Michele Giacomelli, Special Envoy of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the Western Balkans Summit	30 August 2017
Alexander Rondos EU Special Representative for the Horn of Africa	Exchange of views with Alexander Rondos, EU Special Representative for the Horn of Africa	30 August 2017
<b>Markus Ederer</b> Head of the EU Delegation to Russia	Exchange of views with Markus Ederer, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Russia (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP) (In camera)	31 August 2017

SPEAKER	TITLE	DATE
<b>Ketil Karlsen</b> Head of the EU Delegation to Nigeria	Exchange of views with Ketil Karlsen, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Nigeria (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP) (In camera)	31 August 2017
	Exchange of views on the perspectives for the November 2017 Eastern Partnership Summit with the Bureau of the Euronest Parliamentary Assembly	14 September 2017
<b>Gunnar Wiegand</b> EEAS Managing Director, Asia and the Pacific	EU strategy of critical engagement with North Korea - Exchange of views with Gunnar Wiegand, EEAS Managing Director, Asia and the Pacific	9 October 2017
Pierre Kraehenbuehl UNRWA Commissioner General	Exchange of views with Pierre Kraehenbuehl, UNRWA Commissioner General (Jointly with the Committee on Development)	10 October 2017
<b>Nikola Dimitrov</b> Foreign Minister of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Exchange of views with Nikola Dimitrov, Foreign Minister of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	10 October 2017
<b>Ana Brnabić</b> Prime Minister of Serbia	Exchange of views with Ana Brnabić, Prime Minister of Serbia	10 October 2017
<b>Isabel Brilhante Pedrosa</b> Head of the EU Delegation to Venezuela	Exchange of views with Isabel Brilhante Pedrosa, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Venezuela (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP) (In camera)	19 October 2017
<b>Mikheil Janelidze</b> Foreign Minister of Georgia	Exchange of views with Mikheil Janelidze, Foreign Minister of Georgia	19 October 2017
Andrew Tabler Washington Institute	Exchange of views on the situation in Syria with Andrew Tabler, Washington Institute	6 November 2017
Claudia Wiedey Head of the EU Delegation to Morocco	Exchange of views with Claudia Wiedey, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Morocco (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP) (In camera)	20 November 2017
	Exchange of views - Africa: challenges and opportunities for the 21st century	20 November 2017
<b>Ditmir Bushati</b> Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Albania	Exchange of views with Ditmir Bushati, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Albania	4 December 2017
	Exchange of views with the EEAS on the situation of the Rohingyas of Myanmar	23 January 2018

SPEAKER	TITLE	DATE
Alaeddin Boroujerdi Chairman for the Committee for Foreign Policy and National Security of the Islamic Consultative Assembly of Iran	Exchange of views with Alaeddin Boroujerdi, Chairman for the Committee for Foreign Policy and National Security of the Islamic Consultative Assembly of Iran	23 January 2018
Ekaterina Zaharieva Deputy Prime Minister for Judicial Reform and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria	Exchange of views with Ekaterina Zaharieva, Deputy Prime Minister for Judicial Reform and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria on the priorities of the Bulgarian Presidency	23 January 2018
Representative of International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons  Alexander Kmentt  Permanent Representative to the Political and Security Committee, Permanent Representation of Austria to the EU  Jacek Bylica  EEAS Principal Adviser and Special Envoy for Non-proliferation and Disarmament	The 2017 Nobel Peace Prize and the UN Nuclear Ban Treaty Exchange of views with:  - Leo Hoffmann-Axthelm, Representative of International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), Nobel Peace Prize 2017  - Alexander Kmentt, Ambassador, Permanent Representative to the Political and Security Committee, Permanent Representation of Austria to the European Union  - Jacek Bylica, EEAS Principal Adviser and Special Envoy for Non-proliferation and Disarmament	23 January 2018
José Ramos Horta Minister of State and former President of Timor Leste	Exchange of views with José Ramos Horta, Minister of State and former President of Timor Leste, Nobel Peace Prize 1996	23 January 2018
Michele Klein Solomon Director, Global Compact for Migration, at International Organization for Migration	Exchange of views on the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration with Michele Klein Solomon, Director, Global Compact for Migration, Office of the Director General, International Organization for Migration (Jointly with the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs and the Committee on Development)	1 February 2018
<b>Edward Nalbandian</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	Exchange of views with Edward Nalbandian, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia  Debriefing by the EEAS on the International Conference for	21 February 2018
	the Reconstruction of Iraq, held in Kuwait City from 12 to 14 February 2018, and on the Anti-Daesh Coalition Meeting held in Kuwait City on 13 February 2018	21 February 2018

SPEAKER	TITLE	DATE
<b>Adel Al-Jubeir</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	Exchange of views with Adel Al-Jubeir, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	22 February 2018
<b>João Vale de Almeida</b> Head of the EU Delegation to the UN	Exchange of views with João Vale de Almeida, Ambassador of the European Union to the United Nations	8 March 2018
Raul Mateus Paula Head of the EU Delegation to the Republic of Niger	Exchange of views with - Raul Mateus Paula, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Niger (Jointly with the Subcommittee on Security and Defence)	8 March 2018
<b>Thorbjørn Jagland</b> Secretary General of the Council of Europe	Exchange of views with Thorbjørn Jagland, Secretary General of the Council of Europe	12 March 2018
	Exchange of views on the crisis situation in gas supplies to Ukraine	12 March 2018
Louise Arbour UN Special Representative of the Secretary General for International Migration	Exchange of views with Louise Arbour, UN Special Representative of the Secretary General for International Migration, on the Global Compact for Migration (Jointly with the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs and the Committee on Development)	19 March 2018
<b>Ine Eriksen Søreide</b> Foreign Minister of Norway	Exchange of views with Ine Eriksen Søreide, Foreign Minister of Norway	20 March 2018
<b>Behgjet Pacolli</b> First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kosovo	Exchange of views with Behgjet Pacolli, First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kosovo	20 March 2018
<b>Jerzy Pomianowski</b> Executive Director of EED	Presentation of the 2017 Annual Report of the European Endowment for Democracy (EED) by Jerzy Pomianowski, Executive Director of EED	20 March 2018
<b>Zoran Pažin</b> Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Justice of Montenegro	Exchange of views with Zoran Pažin, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Justice of Montenegro	20 March 2018
Johannes Hahn Commissioner on European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations	Strategic Dialogue with Johannes Hahn, European Commissioner on European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations, on the external financing instruments (In camera)	20 March 2018

SPEAKER	TITLE	DATE
Thomas Mayr-Harting EEAS Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia	Debriefing on the negotiations on the Association Agreements with Andorra, Monaco and San Marino by Thomas Mayr-Harting, Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia, EEAS (In camera)	12 April 2018
	Recent incidents in the Exclusive Economic Zone of the Republic of Cyprus	23 April 2018
Johannes Hahn Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	Presentation of the 2018 Enlargement Package by Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	23 April 2018
Youssef Chahed Head of Government of Tunisia	Exchange of views with Youssef Chahed, Head of Government of Tunisia	24 April 2018
<b>Nizar Khairallah</b> Deputy Foreign Minister of Iraq	Exchange of views with Nizar Khairallah, Deputy Foreign Minister of Iraq	24 April 2018
Suma Chakrabarti President of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development	Exchange of views with Sir Suma Chakrabarti, President of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) on the role of the EBRD in Europe's neighbourhood	24 April 2018
Pierre Krähenbühl Commissioner-General of UNRWA	Exchange of views with Pierre Krähenbühl, Commissioner- General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)	24 April 2018
	The situation in Armenia	16 May 2018
Alexandra Papadopoulou Head of EULEX Kosovo	Exchange of views with Alexandra Papadopoulou, Head of EULEX Kosovo	16 May 2018
	Update on the negotiations of the global compacts for migration and refugees and presentation of the Proposals for a Council recommendation authorising the Commission to approve the Global Compact for Migration  • Exchange of views with the EEAS, European Commission and Bulgarian presidency  (Jointly with the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs and the Committee on Development)	20 June 2018
<b>Kazem Sadjadpour</b> Deputy Foreign Minister of Iran	Exchange of views with Dr. Kazem Sadjadpour, Deputy Foreign Minister of Iran	20 June 2018

SPEAKER	TITLE	DATE
Ali Abdel Aal Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Arab Republic of Egypt	Exchange of views with Dr. Ali Abdel Aal, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Arab Republic of Egypt	21 June 2018
	Exchange of views on Moldova	21 June 2018
Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman bin Jassim Al-Thani Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the State of Qatar	Exchange of views with H.E. Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman bin Jassim Al-Thani, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the State of Qatar	21 June 2018
Rüdiger König German Federal Foreign Office Stefano Tomat EEAS Head of PRISM	Exchange of views with Rüdiger König, Director General, Crisis Prevention, Stabilisation, Post-Conflict Peacebuilding and Humanitarian Assistance, Federal Foreign Office, Germany, and Stefano Tomat, Head of PRISM (Prevention of conflicts, Rule of law/SSR, Integrated approach, Stabilisation and Mediation) Division, EEAS	21 June 2018
<b>Karin Kneissl</b> Minister for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs of Austria	Exchange of views with Karin Kneissl, Minister for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs of Austria, on the priorities of the Austrian Presidency	10 July 2018
<b>Nikola Dimitrov</b> Foreign Minister of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Exchange of views with Nikola Dimitrov, Foreign Minister of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	29 August 2018
<b>Alan Bugeja</b> Head of the EU Delegation to Libya	Exchange of views with Alan Bugeja, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Libya (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP) (In camera)	29 August 2018
<b>Luigi Soreca</b> Head of the EU Delegation to Albania	Exchange of views with Luigi Soreca, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Albania (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP) (In camera)	29 August 2018
<b>Nicolas Chapuis</b> Head of the EU Delegation to China	Exchange of views with Nicolas Chapuis, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to China (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP) (In camera)	29 August 2018
	Exchange of views with the members of the UN Fact- Finding Mission on Myanmar (In association with the Subcommittee on Human Rights)	29 August 2018

SPEAKER	TITLE	DATE
Patricia Flor Head of the EU Delegation to Japan	Exchange of views with Patricia Flor, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Japan (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP) (In camera)	3 September 2018
Carl Hartzell Head of the EU Delegation to Georgia	Exchange of views with Carl Hartzell, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Georgia (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP) (In camera)	3 September 2018
<b>Timo Olkkonen</b> Head of the EU Delegation to Zimbabwe	Exchange of views with Timo Olkkonen, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to Zimbabwe (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP) (In camera)	3 September 2018
Christian Leffler EEAS Deputy Secretary General Roberto Balzaretti Secretary of State and Director for European Affairs of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland	Overview of the EU-Switzerland Institutional Framework Agreement (IFA) negotiations by Christian Leffler, EEAS Deputy Secretary General, and Roberto Balzaretti, Secretary of State and Director for European Affairs of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland	8 October 2018
Avi Dichter Chair of the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee of the Knesset	Exchange of views with Avi Dichter, Chair of the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee of the Knesset	8 October 2018
<b>David Zalkaliani</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia	Exchange of views with David Zalkaliani, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia	21 November 2018
<b>Gordon Sondland</b> U.S. Ambassador to the EU	Exchange of views with Ambassador Gordon Sondland, U.S. Ambassador to the EU (In association with the Delegation for relations with the United States of America (D-US))	21 November 2018
Aidarbekov Chingiz Azamatovich Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kyrgyzstan	Exchange of views with Aidarbekov Chingiz Azamatovich, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kyrgyzstan	22 November 2018
<b>Carlos Holmes Trujillo</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of Colombia	Exchange of views with Carlos Holmes Trujillo, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Colombia (In association with the Delegation to the Euro-Latin American Parliamentary Assembly (DLAT) and the Delegation for relations with the countries of the Andean Community (DAND))	26 November 2018

SPEAKER	TITLE	DATE
Paola Pampaloni EEAS Deputy Managing Director for Asia and the Pacific	Exchange of views with Paola Pampaloni, European External Action Service (EEAS) Deputy Managing Director for Asia and the Pacific, on EU-Afghanistan relations	21 January 2019
Saifuddin Abdullah Minister of Foreign Affairs of Malaysia	Exchange of views with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Malaysia, Saifuddin Abdullah	22 January 2019
Susanna Terstal EU Special Representative to the Middle East	Exchange of views with the EU Special Representative to the Middle East Susanna Terstal (In camera)	22 January 2019
<b>Teodor Meleşcanu</b> Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania	Exchange of views with Teodor Meleşcanu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania, on the priorities of the Romanian presidency	22 January 2019
<b>Gunnar Wiegand</b> EEAS Managing Director for Asia Pacific	Exchange of views on the EU-India strategy with Gunnar Wiegand, EEAS Managing Director for Asia Pacific (In association with the Delegation for relations with India)	22 January 2019
Stavros Lambrinidis Head of the EU Delegation to the US	Exchange of views with Stavros Lambrinidis, newly appointed Head of the EU Delegation to the United States (in compliance with the Declaration on Political Accountability of the HR/VP) (In camera)	28 January 2019
Colin Scicluna EEAS Deputy Managing Director for Middle East & North Africa	Exchange of views with Colin Scicluna, EEAS Deputy Managing Director for Middle East & North Africa, on the situation in Syria and on preparations for the third Brussels Conference on Supporting the Future of Syria and the Region in March 2019	28 January 2019
<b>João Vale de Almeida</b> Head of EU Delegation to the UN	Exchange of views with João Vale de Almeida, Ambassador of the European Union to the United Nations	28 January 2019
José Valencia Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility, Ecuador	Exchange of views with José Valencia, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility, Ecuador (In association with the EP Delegation to the Euro-Latin American Parliamentary Assembly (DLAT))	28 January 2019
María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés President of the 73rd session of UNGA	Exchange of views with María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés, President of the 73rd session of the UN General Assembly (UNGA)	4 March 2019
<b>Nikol Pashinyan</b> Prime Minister of Armenia	Exchange of views with Nikol Pashinyan, Prime Minister of Armenia	4 March 2019

SPEAKER	TITLE	DATE
<b>Gunnar Wiegand</b> EEAS Managing Director	Exchange of views on the EU-China Summit of 9 April 2019 with Gunnar Wiegand, EEAS Managing Director (In association with the Delegation for relations with the People's Republic of China) (In camera)	1 April 2019
<b>Jerzy Pomianowski</b> Annual Report of the EED	Presentation of the 2018 Annual Report of the European Endowment for Democracy (EED) by Jerzy Pomianowski, Executive Director of EED, and debate	1 April 2019
	Conflict prevention and mediation – current EU capacities and future perspectives (exchange of views with representatives of the European Institute of Peace and the EEAS mediation unit)	1 April 2019
	Strengthening the EU's foreign & security policy, the case for qualified majority voting on CFSP (Inter-parliamentary Committee Meeting with representatives from the National Parliaments)	2 April 2019
<b>Michel Barnier</b> EU Chief Brexit Negotiator	After Brexit: The EU's future relations with the United Kingdom - an exchange of views with the EU's Chief Negotiator, Michel Barnier (Inter-parliamentary Committee Meeting with representatives from the National Parliaments)	2 April 2019
Johannes Hahn Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	The future of enlargement and neighbourhood policy. Exchange of views with Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations (Inter-parliamentary Committee Meeting with representatives from the National Parliaments)	2 April 2019
<b>Federica Mogherini</b> VP/HR of the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy	Exchange of views with Federica Mogherini, Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy	17 April 2019
<b>Federica Mogherini</b> VP/HR of the EU for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy	Presentation by Federica Mogherini, Vice-President of the Commission / High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, of the "Joint Communication to the European Parliament and to the Council: European Union, Latin America and the Caribbean – joining forces for a common future" (In association with the Delegation to the Euro-Latin American Parliamentary Assembly (DLAT))	17 April 2019
Johannes Hahn Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	Presentation of the 2019 Enlargement Package by Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations	29 May 2019

## vi. Business related to international agreements requiring EP (AFET) consent

## 1. EP CONSENT COMPLETED: Agreements given <u>consent</u> by the EP (AFET) during the 8th legislature<sup>12</sup>

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
	2015/0094(NLE)	Scientific and technological cooperation agreement in support	Procedure completed
AFET Norway, Kyrgyzstan, Arm Kazakhstan, Korea, Tajikis USA Agreement: continu the International Science	EU/Euratom/Georgia, Japan, Norway, Kyrgyzstan, Armenia, Kazakhstan, Korea, Tajikistan, USA Agreement: continuing the International Science and Technology Center	of civilian use of former WMD USSR scientists (transfer of the centre	EP consent adopted on 19 January 2017 (Rapporteur: AFET Chair Elmar BROK/ EPP)
	2014/0039(NLE)	Addition of Croatia to the	Procedure completed
AFET	EC/Serbia Stabilisation and Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU.	existing agreement with Serbia	EP gave consent on 8 July 2015 (Rapporteur: David MCALLISTER /
	Protocol	Technical file	EPP)
	2015/0094(NLE)		Procedure completed
AFET	EU/Kosovo Stabilisation and Association Agreement	Agreement associating Kosovo to the EU	EP <u>gave consent</u> on 21 January 2016. (Rapporteur: Ulrike LUNACEK / Greens)
	2013/0115(NLE)	A sure and a sea letter of	Procedure completed
AFET	EU/Kosovo Framework Agreement: participation of Kosovo in Union programmes	Agreement enabling participation of Kosovo in EU's programmes	EP gave consent on 4 July 2017 (Rapporteur: Ulrike LUNACEK / Greens)
	2016/0311(NLE)	Addition of Croatia to the	Procedure completed
AFET	EC/Bosnia and Herzegovina Stabilisation and Association	existing agreement with Bosnia and Herzegovina	EP gave consent on 16 May 2017
	Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Technical file	(Rapporteur: Cristian Dan PREDA / EPP)
	2013/0386(NLE)		Duo soduus sommistad
AFET	EC/Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Stabilisation and Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Technical file	EP gave consent on 8 July 2015. (Rapporteur: Ivo VAJGL / ALDE)

<sup>1</sup> CONSENT PROCEDURE: RULE 99(1) AND (4) AND RULE 108(7); ACCOMPANYING PROCEDURE: RULE 99(2).

<sup>2</sup> REPORTS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF EXISTING AGREEMENTS BASED ON RULE 52 & ARTICLE 1(1)(E) OF, AND ANNEX 3 TO, THE DECISION OF THE COP OF 12 DECEMBER 2002 ON THE PROCEDURE FOR GRANTING AUTHORISATION TO DRAW UP OWN-INITIATIVE REPORTS

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
AFET	2013/0151A(NLE)  EU/Ukraine Association Agreement	A political agreement associating Ukraine to the EU	Procedure completed  EP gave consent to the agreement on 16 December 2014.  (Rapporteur: Jacek SARYUSZ-WOLSKI /EPP)
AFET	2017/0238(NLE)  EU/Euratom/Armenia Comprehensive and Enhanced Partnership Agreement	A comprehensive partnership agreement with Armenia	Procedure completed  EP consent given and an accompanying resolution adopted on 4 July 2018.  (Rapporteur: László TŐKÉS /EPP)
AFET	2014/0086(NLE)  EU/Georgia Association Agreement	A political agreement associating Georgia to the EU	EP consent given and an accompanying resolution adopted on 18 December 2014. (Rapporteur: Andrejs MAMIKINS/ S&D)
AFET	2014/0083(NLE)  EU/Moldova Association Agreement	A political agreement associating Georgia to the EU	EP consent given and an accompanying resolution adopted on 13 November 2014. (Rapporteur: Petras AUŠTREVIČIUS / ALDE)
AFET	2013/0420(NLE)  EU/Azerbaijan Framework Agreement: general principles for the participation of Azerbaijan in Union programmes. Protocol to the EC/Azerbaijan Partnership and Cooperation Agreement	Participation of Azerbaijan in Union programmes	Procedure completed  EP gave consent on 6 July 2016. (Rapporteur: Norica NICOLAI / ALDE)
AFET	2014/0052(NLE)  EC/Russia Partnership and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia to the existing agreement with Russia Technical file	Procedure completed  EP gave consent on 28 April 2015. (Rapporteur: Gabrielius LANDSBERGIS / EPP).

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
AFET	2010/0310(NLE)  EU/Iraq Partnership and Cooperation Agreement	Renewed consent procedure on the comprehensive partnership agreement with Iraq procedure due to an ECJ ruling forcing change of the legal basis	Procedure completed  EP gave consent and adopted an accompanying resolution on 4 July 2018.  (Rapporteur: Tokia SAÏFI / EPP)  Previous European Parliament resolution of 17 January (2012/2850(RSP))
AFET	2016/0121(NLE)  EC/Egypt Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia to the existing Association Agreement with Egypt Technical file	Procedure completed  EP consent given on 12 March 2019.  (Rapporteur: Ramona Nicole MĂNESCU / EPP)
AFET	2007/0078(NLE)  EC/Lebanon Euro- Mediterranean Association Agreement: Protocol after the 2004 enlargement	Addition of MS acceding to the EU in 2004 to the existing Agreement with Lebanon  Technical file	Procedure completed  EP gave consent on 23 June 2016. (Rapporteur: Ramona Nicole MĂNESCU / EPP)
AFET	EC/Lebanon Euro- Mediterranean Association Agreement: accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Bulgaria and Romania to the existing Agreement with Lebanon Technical file	Procedure completed  EP gave consent on 23 June 2016. (Rapporteur: Ramona Nicole MĂNESCU / EPP)
AFET	EC/Lebanon Euro- Mediterranean Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia to the existing Agreement with Lebanon Technical file	Procedure completed  EP gave consent on 2 March 2017. (Rapporteur: Ramona Nicole MĂNESCU / EPP)

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
AFET	EU/Lebanon Framework Agreement: participation of Lebanon in Union programmes. Protocol to the EC/Lebanon Euro- Mediterranean Association Agreement	Protocol enabling participation of Lebanon in EU programmes	Procedure completed  EP gave consent on 23 June 2016. (Rapporteur: Ramona Nicole MĂNESCU / EPP)
AFET	2014/0195(NLE)  EU/Algeria Framework Agreement: participation of Algeria in Union programmes. Protocol to the EC/Algeria Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement	Protocol enabling participation of Algeria in EU programmes	Procedure completed  EP gave consent on 13 December 2016. (Rapporteur: Pier Antonio PANZERI / S&D)
AFET	EU/Tunisia Framework Agreement: participation of Tunisia in Union programmes. Protocol to the EC/Tunisia Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement	Protocol enabling participation of Tunisia in EU programmes	Procedure completed  EP gave consent on 7 October 2015. (Rapporteur: Pier Antonio PANZERI / S&D)
AFET	2009/0174(NLE)  EC/Tunisia Euro-Mediterranean Agreement: accession of Bulgaria and Romania. Protocol	Addition of Bulgaria and Romania to the existing Agreement with Tunisia Technical file	EP Procedure completed Awaiting final Council decision  EP gave consent on 13 January 2015. (Rapporteur: Elmar BROK / EPP / AFET Chair ex officio)
AFET	2018/0080(NLE)  EC/Israel Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia to the existing Agreement with Israel Technical file	EP Procedure completed Awaiting final Council decision  EP gave consent on 26 March 2019. (Rapporteur: Cristian Dan PREDA / EPP)
AFET	2016/0373(NLE)  EU/Canada Strategic  Partnership Agreement	A first political partnership agreement with Canada	EP Procedure completed Awaiting final Council decision  EP gave consent on 15 February 2017. (Rapporteur: Charles TANNOCK / ECR)

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
AFET	2016/0298(NLE)  EU/Cuba Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement	A first political dialogue agreement with Cuba	EP Procedure completed Awaiting final Council decision  EP gave consent and adopted an accompanying resolution on 5 July 2017. (Rapporteur: Elena VALENCIANO / S&D)
AFET	2016/0217(NLE)  Agreement establishing the EU-LAC International Foundation	International Agreement establishing the European Union – Latin America and Caribbean Foundation	EP Procedure completed Awaiting final Council decision  EP gave consent on 4 October 2017. (Rapporteur: Javier COUSO PERMUY / GUE)
AFET	2016/0025(NLE)  EU/Andean Community Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement	Political agreement with Andean community	EP Procedure completed Awaiting final Council decision  03 February 2016 New Commission legislative proposal published  As the EP approved conclusion of this agreement already on 31 March 2004, the EP should not repeat the ratification again. The Commission withdrew the legislative proposal on 3 July 2018.

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
AFET	2016/0166(NLE)  EU/Kazakhstan Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement (PCA)	New comprehensive agreement replacing an older PCA	EP gave consent (Rule 99(1) and (4) and Rule 108(7)) and adopted an accompanying resolution (Rule 99(2)) on 1/12/2017 (Rapporteur: Liisa JAAKONSAARI /S&D)  Based also on its previous recommendation on negotiations on an enhanced partnership and cooperation agreement between the EU and Kazakhstan. Recommendations to the Council, the Commission and the EEAS  22 November 2012  Vote in Parliament Text T7-0459/2012 adopted by Parliament
AFET	2017/0185(NLE)  EC/Kyrgyzstan Partnership and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia to the existing Partnership and Cooperation agreement Technical file	Procedure completed  EP consent given on 15 January 2019. (Rapporteur: Cristian Dan PREDA / EPP)
AFET	2017/0083(NLE)  EC/Uzbekistan Partnership and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia to the existing Partnership and Cooperation agreement Technical file	Procedure completed  EP consent given on 3 May 2018. (Rapporteur: Jozo RADOS /ALDE)

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
AFET	2015/0114(NLE)  EU/Mongolia Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation	A first PCA with Mongolia	EP gave consent and adopted and accompanying resolution on 15 February 2017. (Rapporteur: Helmut SCHOLZ / GUE)
AFET	2015/0113(NLE)  EU/Mongolia Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia to the Partnership and Cooperation agreement Technical file	Procedure completed  EP gave consent on 16 May 2017. (Rapporteur: Helmut SCHOLZ / GUE)
AFET	2018/0122(NLE)  EU/Japan Strategic Partnership Agreement	A political framework agreement with Japan	Procedure completed, awaiting publication in Official Journal  EP gave consent and adopted an accompanying resolution on 12 December 2018. (Rapporteur: Alojz PETERLE /EPP)
AFET	2015/0138(NLE)  EU/Korea Framework Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia to the existing political agreement with South Korea	Procedure completed  EP gave consent on 3 May 2018. (Rapporteur: Tokia SAÏFI /EPP)
AFET	2015/0302(NLE)  EU/Afghanistan Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development	A first legally binding comprehensive partnership and development agreement with Afghanistan	Procedure completed  EP gave consent and adopted an accompanying resolution on 13 March 2019.
AFET	2013/0440(NLE)  EU/Viet Nam Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Partnership and Cooperation	Comprehensive partnership agreement with Viet Nam	Procedure completed  EP gave consent and adopted an accompanying resolution on 17 December 2015. (Rapporteur: Barbara LOCHBIHLER/ Greens)

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
AFET	EU/Viet Nam Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Partnership and Cooperation: accession of Croatia to the EU	Addition of Croatia to the PCA Technical file	Procedure completed  EP gave consent on 17 December 2015. (Rapporteur: Sandra KALNIETE/EPP)
AFET	2018/0403(NLE)  EU/Singapore Partnership and Cooperation Agreement	Political agreement with Singapore	Procedure completed  EP gave consent and adopted an accompanying resolution on 13 February 2019. (Rapporteur: Antonio LÓPEZ-ISTÚRIZ WHITE / EPP)
AFET	2013/0441(NLE)  EU/Philippines Partnership and Cooperation Framework Agreement	Political framework agreement with the Philippines	EP gave consent and adopted an accompanying resolution on 8 June 2016. (Rapporteur: Elmar BROK/ EPP/ AFET Chair ex officio)
AFET	2014/0224(NLE)  EU/Philippines Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia to the PCA Technical file	Procedure completed  EP gave consent on 8 June 2016. (Rapporteur: Elmar BROK/ EPP/ AFET Chair ex officio)
AFET	2016/0367(NLE)  EU/Australia Framework Agreement	Political framework agreement with Australia	EP Procedure completed Awaiting final Council decision  EP gave consent and adopted an accompanying resolution on 18 April 2018. (Rapporteur: Francisco José MILLÁN MON / EPP)
AFET	2016/0366(NLE)  EU/New Zealand Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation	Political framework agreement with New Zealand	EP Procedure completed Awaiting final Council decision  EP gave consent and adopted an accompanying resolution on 16 November 2017. (Rapporteur: Charles TANNOCK / ECR)

2. EP CONSENT PENDING (negotiations completed): Agreements where <u>consent</u> was requested by the Council but was <u>not yet granted</u> by the EP (AFET), or where Commission proposal was published but Council has not requested consent yet <sup>3</sup>

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
AFET	2018/2262(INI) Institutional Framework Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation. Recommendation	A new comprehensive agreement with Switzerland replacing over 120 sectorial agreements and deepening Swiss participation in the internal market	Awaiting signature/ Council request for consent Negotiations completed on 23 November 2018. Swiss approval to the agreement pending. EP adopted a recommendation on 26 March 2019. (Rapporteur: Doru-Claudian FRUNZULICĂ / S&D)
AFET	2017/0033(NLE) EU/Iraq Partnership and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia of the PCA Technical file	Preparatory phase in Parliament Awaiting Council request 20 February 2017 Legislative proposal published
AFET	2014/0270(NLE) EC/Morocco Euro- Mediterranean Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia of the Agreement Technical file	Preparatory phase in Parliament Awaiting Council request 22 September 2014 Legislative proposal published
AFET	2018/0310(NLE) EC/Tunisia Euro- Mediterranean Agreement: accession of Croatia. Protocol	Addition of Croatia of the Agreement Technical file	Preparatory phase in Parliament Awaiting Council request 24 August 2018 Legislative proposal published (Rapporteur: Lorenzo CESA, EPP)
AFET	Modernisation of the EU-Mexico Global Agreement	Modernisation of the existing association agreement, including a free trade agreement	Awaiting signature/ Council request for consent An agreement in principle was reached on 21 April 2018. The text is currently undergoing legal scrubbing.
AFET	1998/0031(NLE) EU-Turkmenistan Partnership and Cooperation Agreement	Partnership Agreement with Turkmenistan	Interim report procedure completed  Consent Procedure suspended by the EP  Signed 1996. Council renewed request to ratify.  Procedure suspended by the EP/AFET in 2015.  (Rapporteur: Ramona Nicole MĂNESCU / EPP)

<sup>3</sup> INTERIM PROCEDURE PRIOR TO CONSENT: RULE 99(5)

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
AFET	2016/0041 (NLE) EC/Turkmenistan Partnership and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Croatia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovenia and Slovakia to the EU. Protocol	Protocol adding 13 Member States to the PCA with Turkmenistan	Preparatory phase in Parliament Awaiting Council request for consent 18/02/2016 Legislative proposal published Depending on the result of the main EU- Turkmenistan PCA ratification by the EP.
AFET	2016/0055(NLE) EC/Tajikistan Partnership and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia to the existing PCA Technical file	Preparatory phase in Parliament Awaiting Council request for consent 2 February 2016 Legislative proposal published
AFET	2016/0243(NLE) EU/Malaysia Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation	Political framework agreement with Malaysia	Preparatory phase in Parliament Negotiations completed. Commission proposals on signature and conclusion published on 4 August 2016. Not signed yet.
AFET	EU/Thailand Partnership and Cooperation Agreement	Political framework with Thailand	<b>Negotiations completed.</b> Not signed due to non-democratic government in Thailand.
AFET	2014/0220(NLE) EC/Indonesia Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Partnership and Cooperation: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	Addition of Croatia to the Agreement Technical file	Preparatory phase in Parliament Awaiting Council request. 23 July 2014 Legislative proposal published

## 3. DURING NEGOTIATIONS: Agreements where <u>negotiations are going on</u> subject to future consent procedure by the EP (AFET)<sup>4</sup>

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBL	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
AFET	2018/2246(INI)  Association agreement between the EU and Monaco, Andorra, and San Marino.	A new association agreement with European microstates	Awaiting finalisation of negotiations / signature/Council request for consent  EP adopted a recommendation on 13 March 2019. (Rapporteur: Juan Fernando LÓPEZ AGUILAR / S&D)
AFET	2017/2056(INI)  EU-Azerbaijan Comprehensive Agreement	A new comprehensive agreement replacing the existing partnership agreement	Awaiting finalisation of negotiations / signature/Council request for consent  EP adopted a recommendation on 4 July 2018.  (Rapporteur: Norica NICOLAI/ ALDE)
AFET	2018/2018(INI)  Modernisation of the association agreement between the EU and Chile	Modernisation of the existing association agreement with Chile, including a free trade agreement	EP adopted a <u>recommendation</u> on 13 June 2018. (Rapporteur: Charles TANNOCK / ECR)
AFET	EU-Mercosur Association Agreement	Bi-regional association agreement, including a free trade agreement	Awaiting finalisation of negotiations / signature/Council request for consent  Negotiations were re-launched in 2016, after a break of several years.
AFET	2018/2118(INI)  Comprehensive Agreement EU- Kyrgyzstan	New generation partnership and cooperation agreement, replacing the older PCA	Awaiting finalisation of negotiations / signature/Council request for consent  Negotiations launched in December 2017.  EP recommendation adopted on 15/01/2019 (Monitoring rapporteur: C. PREDA / EPP)
AFET	2018/2236(INI)  Comprehensive agreement between EU/Uzbekistan	New generation partnership and cooperation agreement, replacing the older PCA	Awaiting finalisation of negotiations / signature/Council request for consent  Negotiations launched in November 2018.  EP recommendation adopted on 26/03/2019 (monitoring rapporteur: D. McAllister/ EPP / AFET Chair ex officio - )

<sup>4</sup> RULE 108(4) AND 52; OR RULE 113.

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBL	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
			No negotiations expected in the foreseeable future.
AFET	EU-China Partnership and Cooperation Framework Agreement	Potential legal framework for partnership and cooperation with China	Negotiations launched in January 2007.
			European Parliament resolution of 12 September 2018 on the state of EU-China relations (2017/2274(INI))

## 4. BEFORE NEGOTIATIONS: Possible negotiations on future Agreements subject to future consent procedure by the EP (AFET)<sup>5</sup>

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE	TITLE	SUBJECT MATTER	STATE OF PLAY AND PAST KEY EVENTS IN THE EP
AFET	EU-Iran (Comprehensive) Trade and Cooperation Agreement		Talks started in 2002; broken off in 2005.
AFET	EU-India Strategic Partnership Agreement	Potential replacement of the EU-India cooperation agreement of 1994	No negotiations yet as both parties need to agree No legislative proposal made

<sup>5</sup> RULE 113; OR RULE 108 (3 AND 4) AND RULE 52: PARLIAMENT COULD PRONOUNCE ITSELF ON ITS OWN INITIATIVE BEFORE THE START OF NEGOTIATIONS, AND COULD ASK COUNCIL NOT TO ADOPT MANDATE UNTIL EP ADOPTS IT POSITION.



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