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the EU-Azerbaijan Parliamentary Cooperation Committee
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**JOINT STATEMENT BY THE CHAIR OF THE DELEGATION,
MEP Marina KALJURAND, AND THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT'S STANDING
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on the first reading of Constitutional amendments on the new electoral system

Brussels, 22 June 2020 - “Yesterday, the Parliament of Georgia approved the Constitutional amendments on the new electoral system at the first reading. The overwhelming support of the Georgian MPs, who cast 136 votes of favour out of 150, sends a positive signal as it testifies to a broadly consensual approach.

We urge all parties to the 8 March agreement to build on this positive momentum as it will help depolarise Georgia’s political environment and ensure that the democratic will expressed by its citizens will be properly reflected in the next Parliament.

Two more readings should take place as planned on 23 and 29 June, followed by the votes on the electoral legislation reform aimed at incorporating past OSCE/ODIHR recommendations on 1 and 2 July.”

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