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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 54 a (new)

54a. Reiterates its support for the introduction of human rights clauses in international agreements between the EU and third countries; highlights, nevertheless, the failure of their introduction in trade agreements with third countries, as such agreements may even have led to the violation of basic economic and social rights, including the impoverishment of the populations concerned and the monopolisation of resources by transnational companies; sees a need, moreover, for ex ante monitoring mechanisms prior to any framework agreement being concluded and on which such conclusion is made conditional as a fundamental part of the agreement, and for ex post monitoring mechanisms which enable tangible consequences to be drawn from infringements of these clauses, including the possible suspension of the agreements concerned; believes that besides these clauses there is a need to implement new forms of cooperation to facilitate the economic and social development of third countries based on the needs of their peoples;
Amendment 8
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 57 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

57a. Reaffirms that the activities of EU companies operating in third countries should be in full compliance with international human rights standards; calls, therefore, on the Member States to ensure that companies which come under their national law do not disregard human rights or the social, health and environmental standards to which they are subject when moving to, or doing business in, a third country; calls on the Commission and Member States to take the necessary action against European companies which do not comply with these standards or which do not adequately compensate victims of human rights violations falling directly or indirectly under their responsibility;

Or. fr
Amendment 9
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 63 a (new)

Motion for a resolution Amendment

63a. Deplores the way in which the financial and economic crisis and the sovereign debt crisis, together with the budgetary restrictions imposed, have negatively affected people’s economic, civil, social and cultural rights, often resulting in increasing unemployment, poverty and precarious working and living conditions, as well as exclusion and isolation, particularly in the countries in which economic adjustment programmes have been adopted; stresses that the UN has repeatedly criticised the management by the European institutions of the debt issue and its consequences for human rights; deplores the fact that almost none of the Member States voted for the UN resolution of 10 September 2015 recognising the right of any state to restructure its sovereign debt;
Amendment 10
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 67 a (new)

*Motion for a resolution*

67a. Takes note of the counter-terrorism guidance document drafted by the EEAS and the Commission and endorsed by the Council; deplores the fact that counter-terrorism policies are simply used as a pretext to introduce purely repressive policies which apply to all citizens and violate fundamental rights and freedoms; calls for the implementation of significant preventive measures and expresses concern at the lack of attention being awarded to independent control mechanisms;

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Amendment 11
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<td>Stresses that the EU and its Member States have a responsibility for refugees and migrants trying to escape war, chaos, economic misery, hunger and death; expresses also its deep sorrow at the tragic loss of lives of people seeking asylum in the EU;</td>
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 70

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70. Stresses the urgent need to tackle the root causes of migration flows and, therefore, to address the external dimension of the refugee crisis, including by finding sustainable solutions to conflicts in our neighbourhood, through building cooperation and partnerships with the third countries concerned and through EU external policies; underlines the need for a comprehensive human rights-based approach to migration, and calls on the EU to reinforce its collaboration with the UN, including its agencies, as well as with regional organisations, governments and NGOs, in order to address the root causes of migration flows and improve the situation in refugee camps located near conflict areas; reiterates its call on the EU to ensure that all migration cooperation and readmission agreements with non-EU states comply with international law; recalls that a global strategy on migration is closely linked with development and humanitarian policies, including setting up humanitarian corridors and delivering humanitarian visas, as well as other external policies; takes note of the

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70. Stresses that responses must be found to the current crisis based on the principles of solidarity and an overall strategy which promotes safe and legal migration and fully respects human rights and fundamental values; calls on the European Union and its Member States to promote peace and reject all calls for military intervention as a basis for foreign policy; underlines the need for a comprehensive human-rights-based approach to migration, and calls on the EU to cooperate with the UN, regional organisations, governments and NGOs; points out that this comprehensive strategy will also involve humanitarian aid and development aid;
operation of the European Union Naval Force – Mediterranean (EUNAVFOR Med) against smugglers and traffickers in the Mediterranean; also stresses the urgent need to develop stronger policies at Union level in order to deal with the pressing issues related to migrants and refugees and find an effective, fair and sustainable mechanism for burden-sharing among Member States; highlights the measures proposed by the Commission on 9 September 2015 to address the refugee crisis, such as the foreseen revision of the Dublin regulation;
Amendment 13
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Motion for a resolution
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71. Calls on the EU and the Member States to increase their support for the fight against trafficking of human beings through external policies, with a particular focus on the protection of victims and especially minors; strongly considers that the EU should strengthen cooperation with third countries and other relevant actors in order to exchange good practices and contribute to the dismantling of international trafficking networks; reiterates the need for all EU Member States to implement the EU Directive on preventing and combating trafficking in human beings and protecting its victims and the Strategy towards the Eradication of Trafficking in Human Beings 2012-2016;

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71. Expresses disquiet at the proliferation of negotiations on migration policy which link development and readmission and return agreements; particularly condemns the negotiations being conducted with countries that openly flout human rights such as Turkey, Sudan and Eritrea; calls for the suspension of all readmission agreements with countries that do not respect fundamental human rights; rejects any attempt to outsource EU migration policies, and accordingly condemns the proposals from Member States and the Commission to set up processing or detention centres in third countries; calls on the Member States to observe the international principle of non-refoulement of asylum speakers; urges that special measures be taken in order to ensure the protection of vulnerable population groups and particularly

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disabled people, children, unaccompanied minors and young women;

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