

Amendment 29**Saskia Bricmont**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Report**A9-0160/2020****Jürgen Warborn**Implementation of the common commercial policy – annual report 2018
(2019/2197(INI))**Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 3***Motion for a resolution**Amendment*

3. Insists that the EU trade strategy must continue to promote the Union's interests and values when contending with new challenges worldwide, increase the competitiveness of EU industry, and generate economic growth ***in line with the European Green Deal objectives***; considers, therefore, that an ambitious multilateral, plurilateral and bilateral agenda, the conclusion of trade agreements that are fair and fruitful for both parties, ensuring a strict reciprocity and respecting Europe's high norms and standards in sensitive sectors, human rights and their effective protection, the elimination of unjustified trade barriers, and the use of trade defence tools where necessary constitute the best way to make the EU more competitive in a globalised world;

3. Insists that the EU trade strategy must continue to promote the Union's interests and values when contending with new challenges worldwide, increase the competitiveness of EU industry, and generate economic growth; ***highlights that the EU climate goals as expressed in the Green Deal must be mainstreamed into EU trade policy***; considers, therefore, that an ambitious multilateral, plurilateral and bilateral agenda, the conclusion of trade agreements that are fair and fruitful for both parties, ensuring a strict reciprocity and respecting Europe's high norms and standards in sensitive sectors, human rights and their effective protection, the elimination of unjustified trade barriers, and the use of trade defence tools where necessary constitute the best way to make the EU more competitive in a globalised world;

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Paragraph 33

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33. Welcomes the entry into force of the EU-Singapore trade agreement of 21 November 2019; welcomes the progress towards implementation of the EU-Vietnam agreement and calls for continued speedy progress, notably in the establishment of joint institutions and the ratification of outstanding core ILO conventions **and commitments on** human rights issues, **urging** the Commission **to ensure their concrete enforcement** in liaison with the EEAS; calls on the Member States to proceed with ratification of the EU-Vietnam Investment Protection Agreement (EVIPA) **so that it can, together with the EU-Vietnam Free Trade Agreement (EVFTA), enter into force as soon as possible**; notes that in 2018 the EU exported around EUR 13.8 billion worth of goods to Vietnam, and points out that the rules-based free trade agreements (FTAs) and investment protection agreements (IPAs) will ensure predictability and rule of law for investors, as well as positively increasing exports in both ways and creating stability and trust for SMEs; views these agreements as a step towards concluding an FTA with the entire Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) region;

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33. Welcomes the entry into force of the EU-Singapore trade agreement of 21 November 2019; welcomes the progress towards implementation of the EU-Vietnam agreement and calls for continued speedy progress, notably in the establishment of joint institutions and the ratification of outstanding core ILO conventions; **is concerned by the worsening of the human rights situation despite the entry into force of the EVFTA and urges** the Commission in liaison with the EEAS **to ensure the concrete enforcement of the commitments made by Vietnam, to monitor them and to report regularly to the European Parliament**; calls on the Member States to proceed with ratification of the EU-Vietnam Investment Protection Agreement (EVIPA) **only if an improvement of the human rights situation is observed and this positive dynamic is guaranteed**; notes that in 2018 the EU exported around EUR 13.8 billion worth of goods to Vietnam, and points out that the rules-based free trade agreements (FTAs) and investment protection agreements (IPAs) will ensure predictability and rule of law for investors, as well as positively increasing exports in both ways and creating stability and trust for SMEs; views these agreements as a step towards concluding an FTA with the entire

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(ASEAN) region;

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Amendment 31

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36. ***Stresses the importance of the recently concluded modernisation of the EU-Mexico association agreement and the conclusion of the Mercosur association agreement, which both have the potential to deepen our strategic partnership with Latin America, to create additional opportunities in our trade relations with those countries, and to help diversify supply chains for the European economy; considers that the association agreement between the EU and Mercosur represents the largest ‘bloc to bloc’ deal of its kind and has the potential to create a mutually beneficial open market area encompassing approximately 800 million citizens; points out that this agreement, like all EU trade agreements, must ensure fair competition and guarantee that European production standards and methods are upheld; points out that the agreement contains a binding chapter on sustainable development that must be applied, implemented and fully assessed, as well as specific commitments on labour rights and environmental protection, including the implementation of the Paris climate agreement and the relevant implementing rules;***

36. ***Considers that, despite a TSD chapter, the EU-Mercosur agreement is not compatible with the European Green Deal and fails to address problems flagged in the impact assessment released more than one year after its conclusion; recalls that the Paris agreement must be an essential element of the FTA, as must the Convention on Biological Diversity; considers that the adoption of a Protocol or an Interpretative Statement will not be sufficient to ensure that the FTA will be sustainable and respectful of indigenous populations which face deforestation, land-grabbing and systemic violence; points out that this agreement, like all EU trade agreements, must ensure fair competition and guarantee that European production standards and methods are upheld; reiterates, in this context and given the persistent shortcomings in the text, that the EU-Mercosur agreement cannot be ratified as it stands;***

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43. Recalls the positive developments concerning the EU-Canada trade agreement (CETA); notes that during its first full calendar year of implementation, bilateral trade in goods, including agri-food products, grew by 10.3 %, compared to the average of the previous three years; ***recalls that the EU's trade surplus with Canada rose by 60 % and created additional opportunities for our exporters; also*** recalls that since the provisional entry into force of the agreement the two parties have created a solid partnership by accompanying the original text with important recommendations on trade, climate action and the Paris agreement, trade and gender, and SMEs, ***and considers this to be proof of the dynamic of a trade agreement in its*** implementation; ***invites*** the Commission to ***transmit to Parliament more recent data relating to exports by EU SMEs and the overall sustainability of the agreement;*** recalls the importance of strengthening implementation and follow-up of the TSD chapter;

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43. Recalls the positive developments concerning the EU-Canada trade agreement (CETA); notes that during its first full calendar year of implementation, bilateral trade in goods, including agri-food products, grew by 10.3 %, compared to the average of the previous three years; recalls that since the provisional entry into force of the agreement the two parties have created a solid partnership by accompanying the original text with important recommendations on trade, climate action and the Paris agreement, trade and gender, and SMEs; ***is, however, deeply concerned by the failure to preserve EU sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) standards in the implementation of CETA, as shown in the 2020 Audit Report on the Canadian control systems that govern the production of bovine and pig meat intended for export to the EU; calls*** on the Commission to ***temporarily suspend such imports as long as new evidence shows full compliance with CETA SPS provisions, and to examine the enforcement of the SPS chapter in all FTAs, especially the impact of provisions regarding the precautionary principle, and the tracking and control schemes;*** recalls the importance of strengthening implementation and follow-up of the TSD chapter;

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Paragraph 52

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52. Welcomes the Commission's initiative for a European Green Deal, and underlines that it should be actively supported by an EU trade strategy that is ecologically, economically and socially balanced; welcomes the Commission's commitment to make compliance with the Paris climate agreement an 'essential clause' in trade agreements;

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52. Welcomes the Commission's initiative for a European Green Deal, and underlines that it should be actively supported by an EU trade strategy that is ecologically, economically and socially balanced; welcomes the Commission's commitment to make compliance with the Paris climate agreement an 'essential clause' in trade agreements; **warns that the Energy Charter Treaty is a major impediment to the achievement of these climate goals; calls on the Commission and the Member States to ensure that the presently ongoing reform of the Energy Charter Treaty will eliminate its potentially adverse effects on the European Green Deal;**

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Paragraph 56

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56. Believes that TSD chapters in trade agreements should be one of the drivers of the external dimension of the European Green Deal; underlines that ***any new carbon adjustment mechanism should be compatible with WTO rules as well as EU FTAs; stresses that EU companies should not be put at a competitive disadvantage;***

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56. Believes that TSD chapters in trade agreements should be one of the drivers of the external dimension of the European Green Deal; ***calls on the Commission to bring the introduction of a WTO-compatible Carbon Border Adjustment (CBA) mechanism forward as part of the Commission Work Programme for 2021;*** underlines that ***the CBA mechanism should be a cornerstone for achieving European carbon neutrality by 2050 and that, in order to actively integrate SMEs, must envisage measures specifically designed to cater to SMEs' needs;***

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