

**Amendment 31**

**Pedro Marques, Sven Mikser**  
on behalf of the S&D Group

**Report**

A9-0403/2023

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**Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 10***Motion for a resolution*

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building on cooperation and exchanges with the European Union Agency for Cybersecurity (ENISA), on the existing agreement with the European Defence Agency (EDA) and on the possibility for Member States to procure on behalf of Ukraine as a recipient of additional quantities within the European defence industry reinforcement through common procurement act (EDIRPA); calls on the EEAS and the Commission to come forward with a plan for a sustainable and long-term package of security commitments for Ukraine that is complementary to ensuring the increasing security requirements of the EU; welcomes the *proposals for* the ‘Ukraine Facility’ and urges all actors to work for its *speedy conclusion and* implementation;

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**Paragraph 22**

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22. Highlights that the RDC should be established as one of the types of EU military capability for crisis response with its own legal identity, to allow for setting up the RDC as a force that is permanently available and trains together with the goal of becoming a standing force; notes that the RDC should conduct regular joint exercises at strategic, joint forces and tactical level within an EU framework based on operational scenarios and following uniform training and certification standards, such as within NATO, in order to improve readiness and interoperability; stresses that the exercises should be scheduled by the EUMS and planned and conducted by the MPCC; calls on the Member States to commit to substantially narrowing critical gaps in strategic enablers by 2025, in particular those linked to the RDC, such as strategic airlift, space communication assets, medical assets, cyber-defence capabilities and intelligence and reconnaissance;

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**Paragraph 25**

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25. Calls to strengthen the EDA, to manage advanced research and capability development and to foster joint procurement in order to strengthen the EU's defence technological and industrial base (EDTIB); calls for improving defence financing through exploring a potential reform of the European Investment Bank's lending policy; calls for the strengthening of the industries' access to private funding to ensure that the European defence industry has sufficient access to public and private finance and investment on a sustainable basis; calls on the Commission to consider developing parameters for a financial product that aims to support investments in European security, including actions by the defence industry;

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35. Emphasises the importance of adequate, flexible and sustainable funding for all security and defence programs and initiatives, including the CFSP budget and the EPF; regrets the fact that the CFSP budget has only marginally increased from the multiannual financial framework (MFF) 2014-2020 to the MFF 2021-2027, while the number of CSDP mission tasks has increased; calls for a substantive increase in funding for the CFSP budget, including a dedicated CFSP budget line establishing a civilian support facility to provide partner countries with equipment and services to enhance their civilian capabilities; ***urges the Member States to increase the resources allocated to security and defence in the next MFF review, in view of the depletion of Heading 5 and in light of the growing security needs of the Union, which will require further initiatives such as the EDIP and further funding for the EDF as proposed in the*** Strategic Technologies for Europe Platform (***STEP***); invites the Member States to bring forward the re-assessment of the scope and definition of common costs to enhance solidarity and stimulate participation in military missions and operations, as well as exercise-related costs in line with the Strategic Compass; calls, further, on the Member States to

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38. Welcomes the revision ***of the CDP and the envisaged*** presentation of the ***results this year***; regrets the limited progress in capability development since the first CDP in 2008; stresses that, especially in the light of Russia's illegal war of aggression against Ukraine and the threat to European security, stronger and more joint efforts by EU Member States are needed in order to deter aggressors and protect European citizens and interests;

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39. Considers that the EDF is regrettably still underfinanced, yet shows the added-value of EU-level action in European defence; recommends the extension of Commission proposals in all defence-related fields of EU policy in coordination with Member States; calls for a further increase of EUR 1 billion to the EDF budget, in addition to the **Commission's suggested** EUR 1.5 billion, as part of the proposal for STEP; urges maximum consistency and coordination between various initiatives in the field of security and defence, such as the CARD, EDF, EDIRPA, ASAP, PESCO and Military Mobility among others, to prevent overlaps, guarantee efficient public investments and address the critical capabilities gap;

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41. Points out that the EDIRPA and ASAP can only be a first step towards improving the EDTIB's capacities to supply Member States with the products and quantities needed and should be complemented with further initiatives, including the envisaged long-term and comprehensive EDIP for which adequate funding needs to be ensured, as well as an effective regulatory framework aimed at encouraging innovation, boosting production and ensuring smarter and more efficient public investments; calls, in that regard, on the EU Member States to provide the necessary funds to all European defence instruments in the upcoming MFF revision; regrets that the EDIP has still not been proposed by the Commission; calls for the fast and efficient implementation of the EDIRPA and ASAP;

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58. Welcomes the establishment of the civilian European Union Mission in Armenia (EUMA), which aims to help increase security in the region by decreasing the number of incidents in conflict-affected and border areas in Armenia, to reduce the level of risks for the population living in such areas and thereby to contribute to the normalisation of relations between Armenia and Azerbaijan on the ground, while at the same time increasing the visibility of the EU in the region; calls on the Council ***to increase the number of experts deployed as part of EUMA, to increase the mission's capacity and*** to extend its deployment timeframe for five more years and its geographical scope to potentially include the Armenia-Türkiye border;

58. Welcomes the establishment of the civilian European Union Mission in Armenia (EUMA), which aims to help increase security in the region by decreasing the number of incidents in conflict-affected and border areas in Armenia, to reduce the level of risks for the population living in such areas and thereby to contribute to the normalisation of relations between Armenia and Azerbaijan on the ground, while at the same time increasing the visibility of the EU in the region; ***welcomes the Council's agreement to strengthen the observation capacity of the mission by increasing its presence on the ground;*** calls on the Council to extend its deployment timeframe for five more years and its geographical scope to potentially include the Armenia-Türkiye border;

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59. Calls on the EEAS to be prepared to provide the necessary technical assistance to Armenia through the EPF instrument, in order for Armenia to reconsider its current military alliances, as this would strengthen the resilience of Armenia in the context of ensuring security, independence and sovereignty and lead to more comprehensive and enhanced defence cooperation between the sides; requests the EEAS to provide, in confidential mode, the EUMA reports on the situation on the ground to Parliament's Committee of the Foreign Affairs (AFET) and Subcommittee on the Security and Defence (SEDE);

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67. Recognises Israel's right to self-defence, as enshrined in and constrained by international law, and emphasises that the actions of Israel must therefore strictly comply with international humanitarian law; reiterates the EU's strong support for the International Criminal Court's work; underlines the importance of differentiating between the Palestinian people and their legitimate aspirations on the one hand, and the Hamas terrorist organisation and its acts of terror on the other hand; calls for opening channels for providing humanitarian aid to civilians in the Gaza Strip and for these to be kept permanently open; reiterates its unwavering support for a negotiated two-state solution on the basis of the 1967 lines with two sovereign, democratic states living side by side in peace and guaranteed security, with Jerusalem as the capital of both states, and in full respect of international law; calls for a thorough investigation into the role of Iran, Qatar and Russia in financing and supporting terrorism in the region; strongly disagrees and expresses its disappointment about *recent* statements made by the President of Türkiye in which he wrongfully claimed that Hamas was not a terrorist organisation;

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