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Amendment 74

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on behalf of the ECR Group

Report

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Sven Mikser

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 46 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46a. Regrets that while the Commission continues to spend EU funds on different measures related to migration, which have proven to be ineffective and in some cases even detrimental to efforts to deter migrants and counter their instrumentalisation, it refuses to support and refund physical barriers at the external borders of the EU;

Or. en

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Amendment 75

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 47

Motion for a resolution

47. Calls, in that regard, on all Member States to implement the recommendations of Parliament's resolutions on foreign interference in all democratic processes in the European Union, including disinformation²³;

²³ (2020/2268(INI)) and (2022/2075(INI));https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/TA-9-2022-0064_EN.html;
https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/TA-9-2023-0219_EN.html.

Amendment

47. Calls, in that regard, on all Member States **and EU candidate countries** to implement the recommendations of Parliament's resolutions on foreign interference in all democratic processes in the European Union, including disinformation²³;

²³ (2020/2268(INI)) and (2022/2075(INI));https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/TA-9-2022-0064_EN.html;
https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/TA-9-2023-0219_EN.html.

Or. en

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57. Condemns the policies of ***aggression, including the pre-planned military attack of Azerbaijan against Nagorno-Karabakh***; recalls that ***this attack follows*** months of organised ***starvation and isolation of the Armenians living in Nagorno-Karabakh through the*** blockade of the Lachin corridor; underlines that the so-called Russian peacekeepers on site did not take any action to prevent or end the blockade or to stop the Azeri military ***assault against Nagorno-Karabakh; condemns the military support provided by non-EU countries to Azerbaijan; is seriously concerned about the consequences on the civilian population which amount to de-facto ethnic cleansing; reiterates its view that the attack carried out by Azerbaijan cannot remain without consequences, and calls for the EU to take sanctions against the Azerbaijani authorities responsible for multiple ceasefire violations and to suspend the Memorandum of Understanding on Energy; calls for the EU to suspend negotiations over a new partnership agreement with Azerbaijan in the light of recent events and the country's dramatic human rights situation***;

57. Condemns the policies ***that led to and maintained the conflict over Nagorno-Karabakh for the last decades***; recalls that ***the use of force by Azerbaijan, which conducted an unprovoked military offensive in order to regain by force control over its internationally recognised territory of Nagorno-Karabakh, was preceded by*** months of organised blockade of the Lachin corridor ***and ended with the exodus of the Armenian population of the region***; underlines that the so-called Russian peacekeepers on site did not take any action to prevent or end the blockade or to stop the Azeri military ***offensive; highlights the importance of confidence-building measures and in this regard welcomes the recent prisoner exchanges; welcomes the efforts of the leaders of Armenia and Azerbaijan to work towards normalising relations between the two countries, and calls on the EEAS to support both sides on their way to achieving a historic peace agreement; calls on both sides, as well as on the international community, to remain vigilant and reject any attempts and provocations from outside aimed at preventing both countries from reaching a lasting peace agreement; highlights that renewed hostilities in the South Caucasus are a cause for serious concern and show***

the need for more proactive EU involvement in the region; is concerned that prospects for the normalisation of relations between Armenia and Azerbaijan remain fragile, which is why the EU should support and encourage both sides on their way to achieving this goal, including by offering the prospect of closer integration with the EU if they decide to pursue that path;

Or. en

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Paragraph 58

Motion for a resolution

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***;

Amendment

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;

Or. en

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Amendment 78
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 60

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

60. ***Calls on*** the Council ***to*** be prepared to impose targeted and individual sanctions against perpetrators of aggression, including but not limited to the political and military ***entourage of President Aliyev, and*** suspend imports of oil and gas ***from Azerbaijan, in the event of any military aggression against Armenian territorial integrity by Azerbaijan;***

60. ***Welcomes the recent efforts towards normalising relations between Azerbaijan and Armenia; highlights, however, that among the outstanding issues between the two neighbours is the lack of an agreement on their shared border; supports the peaceful settlement of this issue through the work of the bilateral border commission; stresses, however, that in the event of the failure of this process and the renewal of hostilities, especially any aggression on a neighbour's territory, the Council must*** be prepared to impose targeted and individual sanctions against perpetrators of aggression, including but not limited to the political and military ***leadership, and in the case of Azerbaijan, to*** suspend imports of oil and gas ***to Europe;***

Or. en

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Amendment 79

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 62

Motion for a resolution

62. Reiterates the EU's support for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Moldova and ***for the efforts in the framework of the 5+2 negotiation process to reach a peaceful, lasting, comprehensive, political settlement of the Transnistrian conflict, based on respect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Moldova within its internationally recognised borders, with a special status for Transnistria that would ensure the protection of human rights also on the territories currently not controlled by constitutional authorities;*** expresses concern that Transnistria continues to serve as a safe haven for human smugglers and organised crime, while recognising that EU Border Assistance Mission to Moldova and Ukraine (EUBAM) plays an important role in helping to re-open rail freight through Transnistria and has thwarted multiple smuggling operations;

Amendment

62. Reiterates the EU's support for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Moldova and ***its efforts to re-integrate the region of Transnistria into the country; calls on the Russian Federation to immediately withdraw its forces from the region;*** expresses concern that Transnistria ***under the Russian occupation*** continues to serve as a safe haven for human smugglers and organised crime, while recognising that EU Border Assistance Mission to Moldova and Ukraine (EUBAM) plays an important role in helping to re-open rail freight through Transnistria and has thwarted multiple smuggling operations;

Or. en

Amendment 80**Anna Fotyga**

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64. Strongly condemns the illegal occupation of the Georgian regions of Abkhazia and Tskhinvali/South Ossetia by the Russian Federation and stresses that the Russian Federation continues its illegal occupation and effective control over the occupied territories of Georgia through its military presence, continued installation of barbed wire fences and other artificial barriers along the occupation line, frequent illegal detentions and kidnappings of Georgian citizens and other human rights violations on the ground; calls on the Russian Federation to fulfil its international obligations under the EU-mediated ceasefire agreement of 12 August 2008, in particular its obligation to withdraw all of its military and security personnel from Georgia's occupied territories and to allow the establishment of international security mechanisms therein, and to allow the EU Monitoring Mission (EUMM) unhindered access to the whole territory of Georgia pursuant to its mandate; reiterates its calls for the EU to continue to pursue its engagement for the peaceful resolution of the Russia-Georgia conflict by effectively using all the instruments available, including the Special Representative for the South Caucasus and the crisis in Georgia, the Geneva International Discussions, the Incident Prevention and

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64. Strongly condemns the illegal occupation of the Georgian regions of Abkhazia and Tskhinvali/South Ossetia by the Russian Federation and stresses that the Russian Federation continues its illegal occupation and effective control over the occupied territories of Georgia through its military presence, continued installation of barbed wire fences and other artificial barriers along the occupation line, frequent illegal detentions and kidnappings of Georgian citizens and other human rights violations on the ground; ***strongly condemns Russia's plans to build a permanent naval base at the Black Sea port of Ochamchire in the occupied region of Abkhazia and calls on the international community to support all efforts to punish this gross violation of Georgia's sovereignty and territorial integrity***; calls on the Russian Federation to fulfil its international obligations under the EU-mediated ceasefire agreement of 12 August 2008, in particular its obligation to withdraw all of its military and security personnel from Georgia's occupied territories and to allow the establishment of international security mechanisms therein, and to allow the EU Monitoring Mission (EUMM) unhindered access to the whole territory of Georgia pursuant to its mandate; reiterates its calls for the EU to

Response Mechanisms, the EUMM, and its policy of non-recognition and engagement; welcomes EU's assistance to Georgia under the EPF and calls for the EU to further engage in security cooperation with Georgia across the priority areas identified in the Strategic Compass, in particular to strengthen the resilience of Georgia's security sector in the area of crisis management, counter hybrid threats and upgrade defence capabilities;

continue to pursue its engagement for the peaceful resolution of the Russia-Georgia conflict by effectively using all the instruments available, including the Special Representative for the South Caucasus and the crisis in Georgia, the Geneva International Discussions, the Incident Prevention and Response Mechanisms, the EUMM, and its policy of non-recognition and engagement; welcomes EU's assistance to Georgia under the EPF and calls for the EU to further engage in security cooperation with Georgia across the priority areas identified in the Strategic Compass, in particular to strengthen the resilience of Georgia's security sector in the area of crisis management, counter hybrid threats and upgrade defence capabilities;

Or. en

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Paragraph 72

Motion for a resolution

72. Welcomes the findings and high level of ambition in the recommendations proposed in the new EU space strategy in the area of security and defence; considers safe, secure and **autonomous** access to space to be a critical aspect of the EU's security and defence, as demonstrated by its importance in Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine; welcomes, in that regard, the proposal set out in the strategy to draw up a classified annual space threat analysis document;

Amendment

72. Welcomes the findings and high level of ambition in the recommendations proposed in the new EU space strategy in the area of security and defence; considers safe, secure and **unhindered** access to space to be a critical aspect of the EU's security and defence, as demonstrated by its importance in Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine; welcomes, in that regard, the proposal set out in the strategy to draw up a classified annual space threat analysis document; ***encourages closer transatlantic cooperation on space in order to ensure partnerships aimed at the development and application of joint technology in the space domain for our common security and defence; calls on Member States and allies to address the growing threat of the weaponisation of space, in particular the recent reports on Russia's advances on space-based nuclear weapons technology, which would constitute a blatant violation of the 1967 Outer Space Treaty; calls, in this regard, on the international community to withdraw from any form of cooperation with the Russian Federation in the space domain, in areas where they have not yet done so;***

Or. en

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Paragraph 82

Motion for a resolution

82. Welcomes the update of the EU Maritime Strategy and Action Plan and the commitment to strengthen the Union's role as a provider of international maritime security; welcomes the fact that the review includes the reinforcement of current naval operations; is pleased that the update proposes to explore new areas of interest at sea in which to implement the CMP concept based on the experience gained in the Gulf of Guinea and the North-West Indian Ocean; calls on the Member States to engage actively with those initiatives and to build up their military naval capabilities with a view to enhancing the EU's presence and visibility in the Mediterranean, the Black Sea, the Atlantic, the Indo-Pacific and the global maritime sector;

Amendment

82. Welcomes the update of the EU Maritime Strategy and Action Plan and the commitment to strengthen the Union's role as a provider of international maritime security; welcomes the fact that the review includes the reinforcement of current naval operations; is pleased that the update proposes to explore new areas of interest at sea in which to implement the CMP concept based on the experience gained in the Gulf of Guinea and the North-West Indian Ocean; calls on the Member States to engage actively with those initiatives and to build up their military naval capabilities with a view to enhancing the EU's presence and visibility in the Mediterranean, the Black Sea, the Atlantic, the Indo-Pacific and the global maritime sector ***as well as to effectively tackle threats and challenges in the Baltic Sea;***

Or. en

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Amendment 83

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Paragraph 83

Motion for a resolution

83. Highlights the need to ensure the security of the Black Sea region by assisting in demining Ukraine's seaways and to encourage Member States to offer training exercises in this regard with an emphasis on the development of maritime mine counter measure capabilities and critical seabed infrastructure protection;

Amendment

83. Highlights the need to ensure the security of the Black Sea region by assisting in demining Ukraine's seaways and to encourage Member States to offer training exercises in this regard with an emphasis on the development of maritime mine counter measure capabilities and critical seabed infrastructure protection; ***underlines that similar technology should be tested and deployed in other European seas in which the problem of unexploded ordnance and chemical weapons dumped in the previous century already constitute a threat to security, the environment, health and the economy, such as in the Baltic, Adriatic and North seas; calls on the Commission to increase funding to tackle this growing challenge;***

Or. en