#### Amendment 20 Jan-Christoph Oetjen on behalf of the Renew Group

# Report

#### **Cornelia Ernst**

Report on the ongoing negotiations on a status agreement on operational activities carried out by the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) in Senegal (2023/2086(INI))

# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 2

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2. Acknowledges, despite the country's difficult human rights situation, the efforts by the Senegalese Government to uphold or improve human rights, through its active membership of the UN Human Rights Council between 2018 and 2023; expresses its concern about the increasing reports of human rights violations in Senegal, specifically those concerning the use of force or abuse of migrants during border control checks and the increased criminalisation of civil society; highlights and condemns the repeated pushbacks of migrants and refugees from the Mauritanian and Mali borders to Senegal; reiterates and underlines that Frontex should not take part in any form of pushbacks; considers that the possible conclusion of a status agreement between the EU and Senegal providing for the exercise of executive powers by Frontex in the country would entail a high risk for Frontex of becoming complicit in direct and indirect violations of fundamental rights or international protection obligations; believes that these risks are of a serious nature and are likely to persist;

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2. Acknowledges that Frontex's deployment in Senegal, acting in line with the EU acquis, has the potential to have a positive effect on respect for fundamental *rights;* acknowledges, despite the country's difficult human rights situation, the efforts by the Senegalese Government to uphold or improve human rights, through its active membership of the UN Human Rights Council between 2018 and 2023; expresses its concern about the increasing reports of human rights violations in Senegal, specifically those concerning the use of force or abuse of migrants during border control checks and the increased criminalisation of civil society; highlights and condemns the repeated pushbacks of migrants and refugees from the Mauritanian and Mali borders to Senegal: reiterates and underlines that Frontex should not take part in any form of pushbacks; considers that the possible conclusion of a status agreement between the EU and Senegal providing for the exercise of executive powers by Frontex in the country would entail a high risk for Frontex of becoming complicit in direct and indirect violations of fundamental rights or international protection obligations; believes that these risks are of a serious nature and are likely to persist;

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

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8. Acknowledges the fact that the Senegalese Government has expressed its unwillingness to pursue this kind of cooperation; *expresses its reservations regarding* the possible conclusion of a status agreement, *taking* into account the abovementioned *concerns*;

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8. Acknowledges the fact that the Senegalese Government has expressed its unwillingness to pursue this kind of cooperation; *considers that* the possible conclusion of a status agreement *should take* into account the abovementioned *recommendations*;

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# Motion for a resolution Paragraph 9 – point 9.1 – point d

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d. ensure safe and legal pathways to the EU for Senegalese nationals and migrants, including refugees living in or transiting Senegal, *including by facilitating the granting of Schengen visas*;

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