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# **AMENDMENTS**

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**Draft report**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**  
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Human rights and democracy in the world and the European Union's policy on the matter – annual report 2023  
(2023/2118(INI))



**Amendment 1**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 6 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the International  
Covenant on Economic, Social and  
Cultural Rights,*

Or. en

**Amendment 2**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the United  
Nations 1951 Refugee Convention and its  
1967 Protocol,*

Or. en

**Amendment 3**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the United  
Nations 1951 Refugee Convention and its  
1967 protocol,*

Or. en

**Amendment 4**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to the United Nations Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment of 10 December 1984,*

Or. en

**Amendment 5**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 8 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD),*

Or. en

**Amendment 6**  
**Rosa Estaràs Ferragut, Leopoldo López Gil**  
**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 8 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities,*

Or. es

**Amendment 7**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 8 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid of 1976,*

Or. en

**Amendment 8**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 11 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Defenders, adopted by consensus on 9 December 1998,*

Or. en

**Amendment 9**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 12 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organised Crime (Palermo Protocol) and its Protocol to Prevent,*

***Suppress and Punish Trafficking in  
Persons Especially Women and Children  
Resolution 55/25 of 15 November 2000,***

Or. en

**Amendment 10  
Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution  
Citation 14**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the United Nations Beijing Declaration of September 1995,*

*deleted*

Or. en

**Amendment 11  
Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution  
Citation 15**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development adopted on 25 September 2015, in particular goals 1, 4, 5, 8 **and 10** thereof,*

– *having regard to the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development adopted on 25 September 2015, in particular goals 1, 4, 5, 8, **10 and 16** thereof,*

Or. es

**Amendment 12  
Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution  
Citation 15 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- ***having regard to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration of 2016 and the Global Compact on Refugees of 2018,***

Or. en

**Amendment 13**  
**Francisco José Millán Mon**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 15 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- ***having regard to the eighth review of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, adopted on 22 June 2023,***

Or. es

**Amendment 14**  
**Francisco José Millán Mon**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 15 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- ***having regard to the resolutions adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine, in particular the resolution of 2 March 2022 on the aggression against Ukraine (A/RES/ES-11/L.1), of 7 April 2022 on the suspension of the rights of membership of the Russian Federation in the Human Rights Council (A/RES/ES-11/L.4) and of 12 October 2022 on the territorial integrity of Ukraine: defending the principles of the***

**Amendment 15**

**Miriam Lexmann, György Hölvényi**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Citation 17**

*Motion for a resolution*

– *having regard to the Council of Europe Convention of 11 May 2011 on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (the Istanbul Convention), which not all Member States have ratified,*

*Amendment*

*deleted*

**Amendment 16**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Citation 17**

*Motion for a resolution*

– having regard to the Council of Europe Convention of 11 May 2011 on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (the Istanbul Convention), which *not all* Member States have ratified,

*Amendment*

– having regard to the Council of Europe Convention of 11 May 2011 on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (the Istanbul Convention), which **6** Member States have *not* ratified, *namely Bulgaria, Lithuania, Latvia, Czechia, Hungary and Slovakia,*

**Amendment 17**

**Bert-Jan Ruissen**



**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 17 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to Opinion 1/19 of the Court of Justice of the European Union stating that the EU accession to the Istanbul Convention will take place in a limited manner, respecting the national competence and subsidiarity of Member States,*

Or. en

**Amendment 18**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 18**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- having regard to **Protocol No. 6** to the Council of Europe Convention of 28 April 1983 for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms concerning the Abolition of the Death Penalty,

- having regard to **Protocols No. 6 and No. 13** to the Council of Europe Convention of 28 April 1983 for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms concerning the Abolition of the Death Penalty,

Or. en

**Amendment 19**  
**Miriam Lexmann, György Hölvényi**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 23**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to the EU Action Plan on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in External Action 2021-*

*deleted*

**2025 (GAP III),**

Or. en

**Amendment 20**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 24 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– ***having regard to the EU Strategy  
on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities  
2021-2030,***

Or. en

**Amendment 21**  
**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 24 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– ***having regard to the EU Strategy  
on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities  
2021-2030,***

Or. en

**Amendment 22**  
**Rosa Estaràs Ferragut, Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 24 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– ***having regard to the Commission's  
Strategy for the Rights of Persons with  
Disabilities 2021-2030,***

**Amendment 23**  
**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 24 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to the LGBTIQ Equality Strategy 2020-2025,*

Or. en

**Amendment 24**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 25**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- having regard to the EU Guidelines on human rights defenders, adopted by the Council on 14 June 2004,

- having regard to the EU Guidelines on human rights defenders, adopted by the Council on 14 June 2004 *and revised in 2008, and having regard to the second guidance note on the Guidelines' implementation, endorsed in 2020,*

Or. en

**Amendment 25**  
**Anja Haga, Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 30 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to the EU Guidelines on the promotion and*

*protection of freedom of religion or belief,  
adopted by the Council on 24 June 2013,*

Or. en

**Amendment 26**

**György Hölvényi, Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Citation 30 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the EU  
Guidelines on the promotion and  
protection of freedom of religion or belief,  
adopted on 24 June 2013,*

Or. en

**Amendment 27**

**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga, György Hölvényi**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Citation 30 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the EU  
Guidelines on the promotion and  
protection of freedom of religion or belief  
of 24 June 2013,*

Or. en

**Amendment 28**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Citation 30 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the EU Anti-Racism Action Plan 2020-2025,*

Or. en

**Amendment 29**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Citation 35 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the Commission proposal for a Council Regulation on restrictive measures against serious acts of corruption of 5 May 2023,*

Or. en

**Amendment 30**

**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Citation 36 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to the Commission proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on prohibiting products made with forced labour on the Union market 2022/0269 (COM(2022)0453),*

Or. en

**Amendment 31**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 36 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to the Commission proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on prohibiting products made with forced labour on the Union market (COM(2022)0453),*

Or. en

**Amendment 32**  
**Francisco José Millán Mon**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 36 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to the roadmap on the Pact on Asylum and Migration agreed on 7 September 2022 by the European Parliament and five rotating Council presidencies,*

Or. es

**Amendment 33**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 37 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to the report of the Fundamental Rights Agency "Protecting human rights defenders at risk: EU entry, stay and support" of 11 July 2023,*

**Amendment 34**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Citation 38**

*Motion for a resolution*

– having regard to its Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought,

*Amendment*

– having regard to its Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought ***and its laureates, including the people of Ukraine who were awarded collectively the prize in 2022,***

**Amendment 35**

**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Citation 43**

*Motion for a resolution*

– ***having regard to its resolution of 8 July 2021 on the EU Global Human Rights Sanctions Regime (EU Magnitsky Act)<sup>7</sup>,***

*Amendment*

*deleted*

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<sup>7</sup> OJ C 99, 1.3.2022, p. 152.

**Amendment 36**

**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Citation 43 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- ***having regard to the EU's restrictive measures against Russia for its actions in Ukraine (since 2014),***

Or. es

**Amendment 37**  
**Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 45 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- ***having regard to the Council of Europe Resolution CM/Res(2023)3 establishing the Enlarged Partial Agreement on the Register of Damage Caused by the Aggression of the Russian Federation Against Ukraine,***

Or. en

**Amendment 38**  
**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 45 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- ***having regard to the UN Human Rights High Commissioner's Assessment of human rights concerns in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, People's Republic of China of 31 August 2022,***

Or. en



**Amendment 39**  
**Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 45 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to the Council of Europe Reykjavik Declaration ‘United around our values’ of 16-17 May 2023,*

Or. en

**Amendment 40**  
**Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 45 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to the OSCE Joint Statement of May 4 2023 on the Report by the Rapporteurs under the OSCE Moscow Mechanism on the Forcible Transfer and/or Deportation of Ukrainian children,*

Or. en

**Amendment 41**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group  
**Hannah Neumann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 46 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

- *having regard to its resolution on the EU Guidelines on Human Rights Defenders of 17 February 2023,*

Or. en

**Amendment 42**  
**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 47 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to its resolution of 20 April 2023 concerning the risk of death penalty and execution of singer Yahaya Sharif Aminu for blasphemy in Nigeria,*

Or. en

**Amendment 43**  
**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 47 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to its resolution of 13 July 2023 on India, the situation in Manipur,*

Or. en

**Amendment 44**  
**Miriam Lexmann, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Citation 47 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

– *having regard to its resolution of 15 June 2023 on the deterioration of fundamental freedoms in Hong Kong, notably the case of Jimmy Lai,*

Or. en

**Amendment 45**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital -A (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**-A. whereas this year marks the 75th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the 30th anniversary of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action, the 25th anniversary of the UN Declaration on Human Rights Defenders and the Rome Statute;**

Or. en

**Amendment 46**  
**David McAllister**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital A**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

A. whereas the Union is ***founded on*** the values ***of*** respect for human dignity, ***freedom, democracy, equality***, the rule of law and ***respect for human rights, as set out in Article 2 TEU; whereas the Union's action worldwide is guided by*** the universality and indivisibility of human rights;

A. whereas the ***European*** Union is ***guided in its external action by*** the values ***and principles enshrined in Article 2, Article 3(5) and Article 21 TEU, which have inspired the EU's own creation, development and enlargement; whereas these values include first and foremost the*** respect for human dignity, ***fundamental freedoms***, the rule of law and the universality and indivisibility of human rights, ***the principles of equality and solidarity and respect for the principles of the UN Charter and international law;***

Or. en

**Amendment 47**  
**Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital A**

*Motion for a resolution*

A. whereas the Union is founded on the values of respect for human dignity, freedom, democracy, equality, the rule of law and respect for human rights, as set out in Article 2 TEU; whereas the Union's action worldwide *is* guided by the universality and indivisibility of human rights;

*Amendment*

A. whereas the Union is founded on the values of respect for human dignity, freedom, democracy, equality, the rule of law and respect for human rights, as set out in Article 2 TEU; whereas the Union's action worldwide ***must be*** guided by the universality and indivisibility of human rights;

Or. en

**Amendment 48**  
**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital A a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

Aa. *whereas the right to equal treatment and non-discrimination is a fundamental right enshrined in the Treaties and in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and should be fully respected;*

*Amendment*

*whereas the right to equal treatment and non-discrimination is a fundamental right enshrined in the Treaties and in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and should be fully respected;*

Or. en

**Amendment 49**  
**Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital A a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

Aa. *whereas Article 21 TEU stipulates*

*Amendment*

*whereas Article 21 TEU stipulates*

*that the Union's actions on the international scene shall be guided by the principles which have inspired its own creation, development and enlargement;*

Or. en

**Amendment 50**  
**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital A b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*Ab. whereas gender equality is a core value of the EU; whereas the human rights of women and girls, including their sexual and reproductive rights, are not guaranteed across the world; whereas women human rights defenders and civil society organisations working on gender equality, women's rights and sexual and reproductive health and rights continue to experience shrinking space for their critical work as well as threats of violence, harassment and intimidation;*

Or. en

**Amendment 51**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital B**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

B. whereas, according to the Treaties, the effective protection and defence of human rights and democracy is at the core of the EU's external action;

B. whereas, according to the Treaties, the effective protection and defence of human rights and democracy is at the core of the EU's external action; *whereas the Union, within its external action, shall define and pursue common policies and actions to consolidate and support*

*democracy and human rights, according to Art. 21.2 TEU; whereas this can be only achieved by successfully placing them at the core of all of the EU's policies and tools, including trade, development, security and defence, enlargement, among others;*

Or. en

**Amendment 52**  
**Carina Ohlsson**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital B**

*Motion for a resolution*

B. whereas, according to the Treaties, the effective protection and defence of human rights and *democracy is* at the core of the EU's external action;

*Amendment*

B. whereas, according to the Treaties, the effective protection and defence of *democracy, the rule of law, the universality and indivisibility of* human rights and *fundamental freedoms, respect for human dignity, equality and solidarity, and respect for the principles of the United Nations Charter of 1945 and international law are* at the core of the EU's external action;

Or. en

**Amendment 53**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital B**

*Motion for a resolution*

B. whereas, according to the Treaties, the effective protection and *defence* of human rights *and* democracy *is* at the core of the EU's external action;

*Amendment*

B. whereas, according to the Treaties, the effective protection and *promotion* of human rights, *rule of law, democracy and the principles of international law should*

*be* at the core of the EU's external action;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 54**

**Miriam Lexmann, György Hölvényi**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Recital B**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

B. whereas, according to the Treaties, the effective protection and defence of human rights and democracy *is* at the core of the EU's external action;

##### *Amendment*

B. whereas, according to the Treaties, ***the EU's founding principles such as*** the effective protection and defence of human rights and democracy ***must be*** at the core of the EU's external action;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 55**

**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Recital B a (new)**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

##### *Amendment*

***Ba. whereas governments across the world, including within the EU, are increasingly adopting new kinds of tactics and restrictive measures against Human Rights Organisations and Defenders (HRODs) in order to censor their work and silence and harass them; whereas such measures include strategic lawsuits against public participation, restrictive government policies, defamation campaigns, discrimination and intimidation or violence, including killings, abductions, arbitrary arrest and detention;***

Or. en

**Amendment 56**

**Salima Yenbou, Engin Eroglu, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital B a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Ba. whereas Human Rights Organisations and Defenders (HRODs) and civil society organisations (CSOs) are essential allies in the EU's efforts to protect and promote human rights, democracy and the rule of law and prevent conflicts worldwide; whereas the space for civil society is shrinking, including due to the adoption by authoritarian regimes around the world of increasingly strict licensing procedures for CSOs, bans or caps on financing that CSOs can receive from donors, and through attaching a "foreign agent" stigma to CSOs; whereas it is therefore in the core interest of the EU and its Member States to support their work and protect them and the space where they operate;***

Or. en

**Amendment 57**

**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital B a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Ba. whereas in recent years there has been an increase in murders, assaults and other forms of violence against people who defend human rights, the environment and people's access to their land and natural resources;***



**Amendment 58**  
**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital B b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Bb. whereas in recent years there has been a concerning increase in murders, assaults and other forms of violence against people who defend human rights, the environment and access for peoples to their land and natural resources; whereas attacks against Human Rights Defenders are increasingly also targeting their families and communities; whereas a climate of impunity for violations committed against HRODs is prevailing in numerous countries around the world;***

**Amendment 59**  
**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Engin Eroglu, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital B b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Bb. whereas authoritarian governments, but also a worrying number of long-established democratic countries across the world, including within the EU, are increasingly adopting new kinds of tactics and restrictive measures against HRODs in order to censor their work and silence and harass them; whereas such measures include strategic lawsuits against public participation, restrictive government policies, defamation campaigns, discrimination and***

*intimidation or violence, including killings, abductions, arbitrary arrest and detention; whereas a climate of impunity for violations committed against HRODs is prevailing in numerous countries around the world;*

Or. en

**Amendment 60**  
**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital B c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*Bc. whereas women human rights defenders and civil society organisations working on gender equality, women's rights and sexual and reproductive health and rights continue to experience shrinking space for their critical work as well as threats of violence, harassment and intimidation;*

Or. en

**Amendment 61**  
**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga, György Hölvényi**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital C**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

C. whereas consistency and coherence among the EU's internal and external policies are key for achieving an effective EU human rights policy;

C. whereas consistency and coherence among the EU's internal and external policies ***based on the Union's founding principles*** are key for achieving an effective EU ***democracy support and*** human rights policy;

Or. en

**Amendment 62**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital C**

*Motion for a resolution*

C. whereas consistency and coherence among the EU's internal and external policies are key for achieving an effective EU human rights policy;

*Amendment*

C. whereas consistency and coherence among the EU's internal and external policies are key for achieving an effective EU human rights **and democracy** policy;

Or. en

**Amendment 63**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital C**

*Motion for a resolution*

C. whereas consistency and coherence among the EU's internal and external policies are key for achieving an effective EU human rights policy;

*Amendment*

C. whereas consistency and coherence among the EU's internal and external policies are key for achieving an effective **and credible** EU human rights policy;

Or. en

**Amendment 64**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital C a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**Ca. whereas a world of democracies, understood as a world of political systems that defend and protect human rights worldwide, is a safer world, as they count**

*with significant checks and balances that prevent the unpredictability of autocracies;*

Or. en

**Amendment 65**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital D**

*Motion for a resolution*

D. whereas *the countries that have guaranteed* every person the ability to enjoy their human rights *are democracies*; whereas *rules-based multilateralism is the best organisational system to defend* democracies;

*Amendment*

D. whereas *democracy as a form of government constitutes arguably the most favourable environment to guarantee* every person the ability to enjoy their human rights *and fundamental freedoms*; *whereas, however, the enjoyment of these rights may be undermined and even reversed by the economic system applied therein*; whereas *the current economic system that currently prevails in long-established Western democracies fuels political and economic inequalities, restricts the enjoyment of human rights for entire segments of society and thereby undermines the collective faith in democracy and provides a breeding ground for authoritarianism*;

Or. en

**Amendment 66**

**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital D**

*Motion for a resolution*

D. whereas the countries that have guaranteed every person the ability to

*Amendment*

D. whereas the countries that have guaranteed every person the ability to

enjoy their human rights are democracies;  
whereas rules-based multilateralism is the  
best organisational system to defend  
democracies;

enjoy their human rights are democracies;  
whereas rules-based multilateralism is the  
best organisational system to defend  
democracies; ***whereas the EU remains  
fully committed to the defence of  
multilateralism and universal values,  
principles and norms that guide UN  
member states; whereas the present  
multilateral order needs to fully  
incorporate in its architecture the new  
global actors, especially those focusing on  
democracy and human rights;***

Or. en

**Amendment 67**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital D**

*Motion for a resolution*

D. whereas ***the countries that have  
guaranteed every person the ability to  
enjoy their*** human rights are ***democracies***;  
whereas rules-based multilateralism is the  
best organisational system to defend  
democracies;

*Amendment*

D. whereas ***democracy, rule of law  
and respect for*** human rights are  
***interdependent and mutually reinforcing***;  
whereas rules-based multilateralism  
***grounded on founding principles such as  
consultation, inclusion and solidarity*** is  
the best organisational system to defend  
democracies;

Or. en

**Amendment 68**  
**Miriam Lexmann, György Hölvényi**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital D**

*Motion for a resolution*

D. whereas the countries that have  
guaranteed every person the ability to  
enjoy their human rights are democracies;

*Amendment*

D. whereas the countries that have  
guaranteed every person the ability to  
enjoy their human rights are democracies;

whereas rules-based multilateralism is the best *organisational system* to defend democracies;

whereas rules-based *international order, effective* multilateralism, *respect for international law and pushing back against the malign influence of authoritarian and totalitarian regime* is the best *most effective strategy* to defend democracies;

Or. en

**Amendment 69**  
**Francisco José Millán Mon**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital D**

*Motion for a resolution*

D. whereas the countries that have guaranteed every person the ability to enjoy their human rights are democracies; whereas *rules-based* multilateralism is the best organisational system to defend democracies;

*Amendment*

D. whereas the countries that have guaranteed every person the ability to enjoy their human rights are democracies; whereas multilateralism *based on rules that conform with international law* is the best organisational system to defend democracies;

Or. es

**Amendment 70**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital D**

*Motion for a resolution*

D. whereas *the* countries that *have guaranteed every person the ability to enjoy their human rights are democracies; whereas* rules-based multilateralism *is the best organisational system to defend democracies;*

*Amendment*

D. whereas *human rights can only be guaranteed in* countries that *live in democracy and that guide* their *external action accordingly to* rules-based *and effective* multilateralism;

Or. en

## Amendment 71

Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans

### Motion for a resolution

#### Recital D

##### *Motion for a resolution*

D. whereas *the* countries *that have guaranteed* every person the ability to enjoy their human rights *are democracies*; whereas rules-based multilateralism is the best organisational system to defend democracies;

##### *Amendment*

D. whereas *democratic* countries *must guarantee* every person the ability to enjoy their human rights; whereas rules-based multilateralism is the best organisational system to defend democracies;

Or. en

## Amendment 72

David McAllister

### Motion for a resolution

#### Recital D a (new)

##### *Motion for a resolution*

##### *Amendment*

*Da. whereas the rules-based international order is being increasingly challenged by autocratic actors that, working alone or through concerted action, attempt to undermine multilateral organisations and subvert, circumvent or thwart the implementation of international humanitarian and human rights law; whereas information manipulation and interference have become part of the arsenal that autocratic actors use to exert pressure on democratic values and norms, eroding checks on the abuse of power, increasing the incidence and severity of human rights violations and constricting spaces for civil society, independent media and democratic opposition movements; whereas the deficit of democracy in one country may impact the security of an entire region;*

**Amendment 73**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital E**

*Motion for a resolution*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world's population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded;

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, 'The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope', 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

*Amendment*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world's population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas ***democratic backsliding has become a defining trend in global politics and includes established democracies, which still face problems of political polarization, institutional dysfunction, and threats to civil liberties;*** whereas this rise in authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism ***within the European Union and around the world*** threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded;

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, 'The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope', 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

**Amendment 74**  
**Karol Karski**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital E**



*Motion for a resolution*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world's population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded;

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, 'The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope', 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

*Amendment*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world's population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded; ***whereas supporting Ukraine in its war against Russia is of key importance to safeguard a rules-based international order;***

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, 'The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope', 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

Or. en

**Amendment 75**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital E**

*Motion for a resolution*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world's population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded;

*Amendment*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world's population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights ***and democracy*** in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded;

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, ‘The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope’, 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

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<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

Or. en

## **Amendment 76** **Miriam Lexmann**

### **Motion for a resolution** **Recital E**

#### *Motion for a resolution*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world’s population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded;

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, ‘The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope’, 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

#### *Amendment*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world’s population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of **democracy and** human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded;

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, ‘The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope’, 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

Or. en

**Amendment 77**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital E**

*Motion for a resolution*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world's population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism, illiberalism and **populism** threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded;

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, 'The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope', 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

*Amendment*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world's population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism, illiberalism and **reactionary trends** threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded;

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, 'The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope', 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

Or. en

**Amendment 78**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital E**

*Motion for a resolution*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world's population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded;

*Amendment*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world's population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the **European** Union is founded;

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, ‘The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope’, 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, ‘The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope’, 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

Or. en

**Amendment 79**  
**György Hölvényi, Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital E**

*Motion for a resolution*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world’s population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism, *illiberalism* and populism threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded;

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, ‘The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope’, 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

*Amendment*

E. whereas the number of autocracies has increased, with 70 % of the world’s population now living under authoritarian rule according to the University of Gothenburg<sup>11</sup> ; whereas this rise in authoritarianism and populism threatens the global rules-based order, the protection and promotion of human rights in the world, as well as the values and principles on which the Union is founded;

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<sup>11</sup> University of Gothenburg, ‘The world is becoming increasingly authoritarian - but there is hope’, 2 March 2023  
<https://www.gu.se/en/news/the-world-is-becoming-increasingly-authoritarian-but-there-is-hope>.

Or. en

**Amendment 80**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital E a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Ea. whereas these abovementioned regimes challenge the universality of human rights and undermine democratic standards worldwide; whereas the EU and like-minded partners should uphold the defence of the universality of human rights as a main priority;***

Or. en

## **Amendment 81**

**Karol Karski**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Recital F**

*Motion for a resolution*

F. whereas this year's mid-term review of the EU Action Plan on Human Rights and Democracy 2020-2024 has shown that, despite the progress achieved so far, more needs to be done, especially in the context of the unprecedented challenges the world has experienced since its adoption;

*Amendment*

F. whereas this year's mid-term review of the EU Action Plan on Human Rights and Democracy 2020-2024 has shown that, despite the progress achieved so far, more needs to be done, especially in the context of the unprecedented challenges the world has experienced since its adoption, ***in particular Russia's imperial war of aggression against Ukraine;***

Or. en

## **Amendment 82**

**Miriam Lexmann**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Recital F**

*Motion for a resolution*

F. whereas this year's mid-term review of the EU Action Plan on Human Rights and Democracy 2020-2024 has

*Amendment*

F. whereas this year's mid-term review of the EU Action Plan on Human Rights and Democracy 2020-2024 has

shown that, despite the progress achieved so far, ***more needs to be done***, especially in the context of the unprecedented challenges the world ***has experienced since its adoption***;

shown that, despite the progress achieved so far, ***the EU together with like-minded partners cannot remain complacent***, especially in the context of the unprecedented challenges ***to freedom and democracy around*** the world;

Or. en

**Amendment 83**  
**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital F a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fa. whereas Russia's illegal, unjustified and unprovoked war of aggression against Ukraine continues after more than 500 days of armed conflict on the European Union's doorstep; whereas gross violations of human rights and international law are being committed by the Russian armed forces and their allies in Ukraine; whereas war crimes are taking place on Ukrainian, including the abduction of minors to move them to Russian territory; whereas the European Union, its Member States and civil society have launched joint initiatives in response to the war, including restrictive measures against individuals and entities, sectoral sanctions in the areas of finance, trade, energy, transport, technology and defence, bans on Russian media, diplomatic measures, visa measures and restrictions on economic relations with specific areas;***

Or. es

**Amendment 84**  
**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital F a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fa. whereas environmental emergencies, including those resulting from climate change deforestation, and extractive business operations give rise to human rights violations and affect not only the people in their immediate vicinity, but also humanity as a whole; whereas climate change and environmental degradation are two urgent and interlinked challenges undermining both sustainable development and the enjoyment of human rights globally; whereas harm against the environment and the effects of climate change are exacerbating precariousness, marginalisation and inequality, increasingly forcing people to leave their homes or trapping them in unsafe settings, where their vulnerability to severe exploitation is heightened;***

Or. en

**Amendment 85**  
**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital F a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fa. whereas environmental emergencies and extractive business operations give rise to human rights violations for individuals and communities directly affected, but also humanity as a whole; whereas in recent years there has been an increase in murders, assaults and other forms of violence against people who defend environmental rights, including amongst indigenous populations; whereas harm***

*against the environment and the effects of climate change are exacerbating precariousness, marginalisation and inequality, increasingly forcing people to leave their homes or trapping them in unsafe and vulnerable settings;*

Or. en

**Amendment 86**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital F a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*Fa. whereas gender equality is a core value of the EU; whereas the right to equal treatment and freedom from discrimination is a fundamental right enshrined in the Treaties and in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and should be fully respected; whereas the right to the integrity of the person is paramount under Article 3 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU; whereas gender mainstreaming and an intersectional approach should therefore be implemented and integrated as a horizontal principle in all EU activities and policies;*

Or. en

**Amendment 87**  
**Francisco José Millán Mon**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital F a (new)**



*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fa. whereas Russia has been fighting an illegal and unjustified war of aggression against Ukraine since 24 February 2022; whereas this war of aggression constitutes a blatant and flagrant violation of the UN Charter and of the fundamental principles of international law; whereas Russia's actions in Ukraine undermine peace and security in Europe and worldwide and constitute a grave violation of human rights;***

Or. es

**Amendment 88**

**David Lega, Miriam Lexmann, Andrey Kovatchev, Lukas Mandl**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital F a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fa. whereas the Iranian authorities have continuously committed human rights violations and crackdown on protests throughout the country before and after the Iranian regime's brutal killing of Mahsa Amini, a 22-year-old woman who was killed after being arrested for allegedly wearing an improper hijab;***

Or. en

**Amendment 89**

**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga, György Hölvényi**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital F a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fa. whereas according to the Aid to the Church in Need 2023 Report, citizens faced severe violations of religious freedom in 61 countries around the world;***

Or. en

**Amendment 90**

**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga, György Hölvényi, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital F a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fa. whereas according to Open Doors World Watch List 2023 more than 360 million Christians face persecution every day;***

Or. en

**Amendment 91**

**Jaak Madison, Anna Bonfrisco, Susanna Ceccardi, Jean-Lin Lacapelle**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital F a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fa. whereas, according to Open Doors, more than 360 million Christians face persecution, harassment or discrimination;***

Or. en

**Amendment 92**

**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital F b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fb. whereas the energy crisis, coupled with the food production crisis facing Europe, may increase poverty and vulnerability in Europe, to the consequent detriment of human rights; whereas Ukraine was one of the main grain exporters and the war has affected global food security, which has had repercussions for human rights around the world;***

Or. es

**Amendment 93**  
**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital F b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fb. whereas combating human trafficking, forced labour and other forms of modern slavery is a priority for the EU; whereas responsible business conduct by European companies plays a crucial role in ensuring that EU policies on human rights are effectively implemented both within and outside the EU, including with regard to labour; whereas the EU is committed to promoting the implementation of responsible business conduct across all sectors of production and all levels of the supply chain and the protection of victims of business-related human rights violations and abuses;***

Or. en

**Amendment 94**  
**Francisco José Millán Mon**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital F b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fb. whereas violations of the rights to freedom of thought, conscience and religion are giving rise to oppression, conflict and war around the world and constitute a very serious breach of international law;***

Or. es

**Amendment 95**  
**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital F b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fb. whereas extractive and exploitative business activities often have detrimental effects on human rights in third countries; whereas the displacement caused by environmental destruction and climate change increases the risk of human rights violations and in particular, vulnerability to certain forms of modern slavery, including human trafficking, forced labour and debt bondage;***

Or. en

**Amendment 96**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital F b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fb. whereas the energy crisis, coupled with the production crisis facing Europe, may increase poverty and vulnerability in Europe, with a potentially detrimental impact on human rights;***

Or. en

**Amendment 97**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Recital F c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fc. whereas there is currently no established definition of what cultural rights are; however, in the 2010 report to the Human Rights Council, the independent expert in the field of cultural rights identified cultural rights as rights relating to a broad range of issues, such as: expression and creation, including in diverse material and non-material forms of art; information and communication; language; identity and belonging to multiple, diverse and changing communities of shared cultural values; development of specific world visions and the pursuit of specific ways of life; education and training; access, contribution and participation in cultural life and the conduct of cultural practices and access to and enjoyment of heritage in its tangible, intangible, natural and mixed manifestations;***

Or. en

**Amendment 98**

**Francisco José Millán Mon**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Recital F c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Fc. whereas terrorism continues to be one of the biggest threats to international peace and security and is a clear breach of groups' and people's human rights and fundamental freedoms;***

Or. es

**Amendment 99**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

1. Reasserts the universality ***and*** indivisibility of human rights and the inherent dignity of every human being; reaffirms the duty of the EU and its Member States to promote and protect democracy and the universality of human rights around the world;

1. Reasserts the universality, indivisibility ***and interdependence*** of human rights and the inherent dignity of every human being; reaffirms the duty of the EU and its Member States to promote and protect democracy and the universality of human rights around the world; ***calls on the EU and its Member States to promote the joining of forces among mature democracies and international and regional organisations by uniting them under a global human rights league in order to address threats and promote human rights worldwide; stresses that mature democracies and like-minded partners should adopt a defiant and public attitude reaffirming our commitment to defend the universality of human rights and the Rule of Law;***

Or. en

## Amendment 100

Jaak Madison, Jean-Lin Lacapelle

### Motion for a resolution

#### Paragraph 1

##### *Motion for a resolution*

1. Reasserts the universality and indivisibility of human rights and the inherent dignity of every human being; reaffirms the duty of the EU and its Member States to promote and protect democracy and the universality of human rights around the world;

##### *Amendment*

1. Reasserts the universality and indivisibility of human rights and the inherent dignity of every human being; reaffirms the duty of the EU and its Member States to promote and protect democracy and the universality of human rights around the world; ***stresses, however, that the EU is not the world's human rights watchdog and that it does not have the mandate to interfere with the internal affairs of third countries;***

Or. en

## Amendment 101

Heidi Hautala

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

### Motion for a resolution

#### Paragraph 1

##### *Motion for a resolution*

1. Reasserts the universality and indivisibility of human rights and the inherent dignity of every human being; reaffirms the duty of the EU and its Member States to promote and protect democracy and the universality of human rights around the world;

##### *Amendment*

1. Reasserts the universality, ***interdependence, interrelatedness*** and indivisibility of human rights and the inherent dignity of every human being; reaffirms the duty of the EU and its Member States to promote and protect democracy and the universality of human rights around the world ***in a resolute, coherent and consistent manner;***

Or. en

## Amendment 102

Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Engin Eroglu, Hilde Vautmans

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Motion for a resolution*

1. Reasserts the universality and indivisibility of human rights and the inherent dignity of every human being; reaffirms the duty of the EU and its Member States to promote and protect democracy and the universality of human rights around the world;

*Amendment*

1. Reasserts the universality and indivisibility of human rights and the inherent dignity of every human being; reaffirms the duty of the EU and its Member States to promote and protect democracy, **the rule of law** and the universality **and inalienability** of human rights around the world;

Or. en

**Amendment 103**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Motion for a resolution*

1. Reasserts the universality and indivisibility of human rights and the inherent dignity of every human being; reaffirms the duty of the EU and its Member States to promote and protect democracy and the universality of human rights around the world;

*Amendment*

1. Reasserts the universality and indivisibility of human rights and the inherent dignity of every human being; reaffirms the duty of the EU and its Member States to promote and protect democracy and the universality of human rights **within their territories and** around the world;

Or. en

**Amendment 104**  
**Miriam Lexmann, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**1a. Deplores the PRC, Russia, Iran**



*and other totalitarian and authoritarian regimes for their abuse of multilateral institutions, seeking to neutralise human rights mechanisms' their ability to hold states accountable for human rights violations, as well as to undermine and/or rewrite international norms to suit their authoritarian agenda; calls on the Council and the Member States to work with like-minded democratic allies to support a reform of multilateral institutions so that they become more resilient in the face of malign influence of authoritarian regimes;*

Or. en

**Amendment 105**  
**Miriam Lexmann, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*1b. Deplores the abuse of the UN Human Rights Council by authoritarian and totalitarian regimes who continue to abuse it for their own ends, in particular, to undermine its functioning, and erode the human rights norms regime; calls for the EU and its Member States to support a comprehensive reform of the HRC;*

Or. en

**Amendment 106**  
**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 1 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***1c. Stresses that the UNHRC should address situations of violations of human rights in a balanced manner, and cease attempts to disproportionately target the State of Israel; calls in this regard for a fundamental reform of the Human Rights Council including the setting of clear criteria for members of the Council; deplores the appointment of the Iranian regime's Ambassador as the chair of the 2023 UNHRC Social Forum;***

Or. en

#### **Amendment 107**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 2**

*Motion for a resolution*

2. Stresses that the EU must be fully prepared to counter the rise of authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights, democracy and international humanitarian law;

*Amendment*

2. Stresses that the EU must be fully prepared to counter the rise of authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights, democracy and international humanitarian law; ***emphasises that the EU should utilise the diplomatic toolbox at its disposal to counter disinformation in third countries and foreign interference towards the EU, and the hostile narratives against the EU in illiberal and authoritarian regimes, including through fully exploiting the potential of EU international cultural relations;***

Or. en

#### **Amendment 108**

**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Motion for a resolution*

2. Stresses that the EU ***must be fully prepared to counter*** the rise of authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights, democracy and international humanitarian law;

*Amendment*

2. Stresses that the EU ***should condemn*** the rise of authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism as well as ***regressive threats to human rights protection and*** the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights, democracy and international humanitarian law; ***expresses its deep concern that the EU and certain Member States continue to defend business, military, antiterrorism and migration interests over human rights and democracy;***

Or. en

**Amendment 109**  
**David Lega, Miriam Lexmann, Andrey Kovatchev, Lukas Mandl**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Motion for a resolution*

2. Stresses that the EU must be fully prepared to counter the rise of authoritarianism, illiberalism ***and*** populism as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights, democracy and international humanitarian law;

*Amendment*

2. Stresses that the EU must be fully prepared to counter the rise of authoritarianism, illiberalism, populism, ***extremism and antisemitism*** as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights ***including the freedom of religion***, democracy and international humanitarian law;

Or. en

**Amendment 110**  
**Francisco José Millán Mon**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Motion for a resolution*

2. Stresses that the EU must be fully prepared to counter the rise of authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights, democracy and international humanitarian law;

*Amendment*

2. Stresses that the EU must be fully prepared to counter the rise of authoritarianism, illiberalism and populism as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights, democracy, ***the rule of law*** and international humanitarian law;

Or. es

**Amendment 111**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 2**

*Motion for a resolution*

2. Stresses that the EU must be fully prepared to counter the rise of authoritarianism, illiberalism ***and populism*** as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights, democracy and international humanitarian law;

*Amendment*

2. Stresses that the EU must be fully prepared to counter the rise of authoritarianism ***and*** illiberalism as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights, democracy and international humanitarian law, ***including within its borders***;

Or. en

**Amendment 112**

**Miriam Lexmann, György Hölvényi, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 2**

*Motion for a resolution*

2. Stresses that the EU must be fully prepared to counter the rise of authoritarianism, ***illiberalism and populism*** as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights,

*Amendment*

2. Stresses that the EU must be fully prepared to counter the rise ***and malign influence*** of authoritarianism ***and totalitarian regimes*** as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of

democracy and international humanitarian law;

human rights, democracy and international humanitarian law;

Or. en

### **Amendment 113**

**Jaak Madison, Anna Bonfrisco, Susanna Ceccardi**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 2**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

2. Stresses that the EU must be fully prepared to counter the rise of authoritarianism, illiberalism and **populism** as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights, democracy and international humanitarian law;

###### *Amendment*

2. Stresses that the EU must be fully prepared to counter the rise of authoritarianism, illiberalism and **communism** as well as the increasing attacks on the universality of human rights, democracy and international humanitarian law;

Or. en

### **Amendment 114**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 2 a (new)**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

###### *Amendment*

**2a. Underscores that the ambitious commitment and rhetoric of the EU's external human rights policy requires it to be consistent and exemplary; regrets therefore that in practice, the EU and the Member States continue to be regularly denounced by the human rights community as being inconsistent towards comparable human rights situations worldwide and of placing energy, security, migration or trade interests, before its stated commitment to universal human rights; deplores, as well, the deterioration**

*of the human rights and rule of law situation in a number of its own Member States which undermines the credibility of the EU when opposing the global democratic decline and human rights regression; calls on the EU and its Member States to lead by example and strictly uphold human rights, ensure an enabling environment for their civil society and to address any negative trends in this field;*

Or. en

**Amendment 115**  
**Miriam Lexmann, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 2 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**2a.** *Reiterates it is on the Council and the Member States to close all remaining Chinese "overseas police service stations", to address wider mechanisms of transnational repression used by the PRC, and to provide for adequate monitoring, reporting and protection mechanisms for the communities at risk;*

Or. en

**Amendment 116**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values across the world, such as

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executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplors the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

*and deepening levels of social, economic and political inequality, the reversal of rights, notably for women, persistent and systematic exclusion of and discrimination against entire social groups, loss of popular sovereignty and oligarchic trends,* executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplors the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 117**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Engin Eroglu, Hilde Vautmans**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 3**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values across the world, such as executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplors the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

##### *Amendment*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values across the world, such as executions, **killings**, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, **systematic and structural discrimination and inequality**, clampdowns on **marginalised and vulnerable individual and groups**, civil society and political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplors the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

Or. en

**Amendment 118**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Motion for a resolution*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values across the world, such as executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplores the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

*Amendment*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic ***principles and*** values across the world, such as executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, ***as well as threats in the digital sphere such as online surveillance and internet shutdowns,*** among others; deplores the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

Or. en

**Amendment 119**  
**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Motion for a resolution*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values ***across the world,*** such as executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplores the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

*Amendment*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values ***and impunity caused by the erosion of democracy globally,*** such as executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media ***and journalists,*** among others; deplores the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;



**Amendment 120**  
**Petras Auštrevičius, Katalin Cseh**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Motion for a resolution*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values across the world, such as executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplores the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

*Amendment*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values across the world, such as executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, **gender discrimination and even gender apartheid**, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplores the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

Or. en

**Amendment 121**  
**Miriam Lexmann, György Hölvényi**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Motion for a resolution*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values across the world, such as executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplores the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies

*Amendment*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values across the world, such as executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, **slavery and forced labour, forced deportations**, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplores the weakening of the protection of democratic

around the world;

institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

Or. en

**Amendment 122**  
**Carina Ohlsson**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Motion for a resolution*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values across the world, such as executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplors the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

*Amendment*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values across the world, such as executions, torture, **gender based violence**, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society and political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplors the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

Or. en

**Amendment 123**  
**David Lega, Miriam Lexmann, Andrey Kovatchev, Lukas Mandl**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Motion for a resolution*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values across the world, such as executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society **and** political opponents, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplors the weakening of the

*Amendment*

3. Condemns the increasing trend of violations of human rights and democratic values across the world, such as executions, torture, arbitrary arrests and detentions, clampdowns on civil society, political opponents **and religious minorities**, excessive use of violence by public authorities, censorship and threats to independent media, among others; deplors

protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

the weakening of the protection of democratic institutions and the shrinking space for civil societies around the world;

Or. en

**Amendment 124**  
**Miriam Lexmann, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**3a. Condemns the growing trend of transnational repression by the People's Republic of China and call on those EU Member States that have not yet done so, to suspend their extradition treaties with the PRC and Hong Kong, and to close all remaining illegal Chinese 'police stations' on their territories; in this regards, welcomes the recent decision of the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) in the case Liu v. Poland;**

Or. en

**Amendment 125**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**3a. Denounces the tailor-made narratives that authoritarian and illiberal regimes are developing to attack the universality itself of Human Rights and the rule of law; warns that these abovementioned narratives are being spread by these regimes in the international fora such as the United Nations Human Rights Council; calls on**

*the EU and its Members States to counter these narratives based on so-called cultural specificities with all tools at their disposal;*

Or. en

**Amendment 126**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**3a. Praises the work of civil society organisations and human rights defenders worldwide who tirelessly act in support of the protection and promotion of human rights, often in an increasingly hostile environment and at the risk of their own lives; calls on EU institutions and Member States to see them as indispensable partners and allies in pursuing human rights efforts globally;**

Or. en

**Amendment 127**

**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 4**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian **and illiberal** regimes to build a framework to erode human rights via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders **among others**, limiting the enjoyment of

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian regimes to build a framework to erode human rights via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society **and the democratic political opposition, censor independent media, control every state power, including** the

fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

judiciary and persecute human rights defenders, *NGOs and other groups critical of the regimes' illegal practices, including – but not limited to – the Catholic Church*, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

Or. es

#### **Amendment 128**

**Petras Auštrevičius, Katalin Cseh**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 4**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and illiberal regimes to build a framework to erode human rights via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders among others, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

###### *Amendment*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and illiberal regimes to build a framework to erode human rights via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to *rig elections, silence and threaten civil society, independent media and critical voices*, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders among others, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 129**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Engin Eroglu, Hilde Vautmans**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 4**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and illiberal regimes to build a framework to erode human rights via legislative and non-legislative

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provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders among others, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of **their** international human rights obligations;

provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, **marginalised and vulnerable individual and groups, minorities, and political opponents**, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders among others, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of international human rights obligations;

Or. en

### **Amendment 130**

**David Lega, Miriam Lexmann, Andrey Kovatchev, Lukas Mandl**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 4**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and illiberal regimes to build a framework to erode human rights via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders among others, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

###### *Amendment*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and illiberal regimes to build a framework to erode human rights via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders, **including religious minorities defenders** among others, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

Or. en

### **Amendment 131**

**Carina Ohlsson**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 4**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and illiberal regimes to

###### *Amendment*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and illiberal regimes to

build a framework to erode human rights via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders among others, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

build a framework to erode human rights, **particularly girls' and women's rights**, via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders among others, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

Or. en

**Amendment 132**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Motion for a resolution*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and illiberal regimes to build a framework to erode human rights via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders **among others**, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

*Amendment*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and illiberal regimes to build a framework to erode human rights via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders, **journalists, lawyers, artists and activists**, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

Or. en

**Amendment 133**  
**Miriam Lexmann, György Hölvényi**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Motion for a resolution*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and **illiberal** regimes to build a framework to erode human rights

*Amendment*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and **totalitarian** regimes to build a framework to erode human rights

via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders among others, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders among others, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

Or. en

**Amendment 134**  
**David McAllister**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Motion for a resolution*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and illiberal regimes **to build** a framework to erode human rights via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders among others, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

*Amendment*

4. Points to the increased toolkit used by authoritarian and illiberal regimes **that builds** a framework to erode human rights via legislative and non-legislative provisions which are used to silence and threaten civil society, control the judiciary and persecute human rights defenders among others, limiting the enjoyment of fundamental rights which is a blatant violation of their international human rights obligations;

Or. en

**Amendment 135**  
**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1 (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Notes that these authoritarian regimes provoke and extend existing internal and international conflicts and cause new ones, with devastating consequences for***



*human rights;*

Or. es

**Amendment 136**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 4 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***4a. Condemns the increasing disregard for international human rights law by authoritarian and illiberal regimes; notes that these regimes try to undermine its legitimacy in order to avoid its application, to which they are bound; calls on the EU and its Member States to step up their efforts in the correct application and compliance of international human rights law in third countries;***

Or. en

**Amendment 137**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 4 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***4b. Is concerned by the use of the “quiet” or “silent diplomacy” in a number of relations with third countries concerning the protection of human rights; calls to assess the effectiveness of this diplomatic strategy and for the EU to be vocal when defending human rights;***

Or. en

**Amendment 138**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 5**

*Motion for a resolution*

5. Notes with satisfaction that there are also ‘human rights bright spots’ within this context of major challenges to human rights worldwide; underlines the need for a more strategic communication on human rights and democracy by spreading news about positive results, policies and best practices; supports the Good Human Rights Stories initiative<sup>12</sup> as a way of promoting positive stories about human rights;

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<sup>12</sup> <https://goodhumanrightsstories.net/>.

*Amendment*

5. Notes with satisfaction that there are also ‘human rights bright spots’ within this context of major challenges to human rights worldwide; ***strongly supports the work of the EU, the UN, the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) and the Council of Europe (CoE), as well as human rights defenders and civil society organization, among others, in translating international commitments into concrete actions for the realisation of human rights***; underlines the need for a more strategic communication on human rights and democracy by spreading news about positive results, policies and best practices ***and calls on the EU Delegations and EU Member States’ diplomatic missions to also act in this line in third countries***; supports ***the EEAS campaign to mark the 75th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 2023 [in support of the United Nation’s Human Rights 75 Initiative]*** and the Good Human Rights Stories initiative<sup>12</sup> as a way of promoting positive stories about human rights;

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<sup>12</sup> <https://goodhumanrightsstories.net/>.

Or. en

**Amendment 139**  
**David McAllister**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 5**

*Motion for a resolution*

5. Notes with satisfaction that there are also ‘human rights bright spots’ ***within this context of major challenges to human rights worldwide***; underlines the need for a more strategic communication on human rights and democracy ***by spreading news about positive results***, policies and best practices; supports the Good Human Rights Stories initiative<sup>12</sup> as a way of promoting positive stories about human rights;

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<sup>12</sup> <https://goodhumanrightsstories.net/>.

*Amendment*

5. Notes with satisfaction that ***despite major challenges to human rights worldwide***, there are also ‘human rights bright spots’; underlines the need for more strategic communication on human rights and democracy ***that demonstrates the EU's commitment by sharing positive developments***, policies and best practices; supports the Good Human Rights Stories initiative<sup>12</sup> as a way of promoting positive stories about human rights;

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<sup>12</sup> <https://goodhumanrightsstories.net/>.

Or. en

**Amendment 140**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 5**

*Motion for a resolution*

5. Notes with satisfaction that there are also ‘***human rights bright spots***’ within this context of major challenges to human rights worldwide; underlines the need for a more strategic communication on human rights and democracy ***by spreading news about positive results***, policies and best practices; supports the Good Human Rights Stories initiative<sup>12</sup> as a way of promoting positive stories about human rights;

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<sup>12</sup> <https://goodhumanrightsstories.net/>.

*Amendment*

5. Notes with satisfaction that there are also ***progress*** within this context of major challenges to human rights worldwide; underlines the need for a more strategic communication on human rights and democracy ***by spreading news about positive results***, policies and best practices; supports the Good Human Rights Stories initiative<sup>12</sup> as a way of promoting positive stories about human rights;

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<sup>12</sup> <https://goodhumanrightsstories.net/>.

Or. en

**Amendment 141**  
**Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 5**

*Motion for a resolution*

5. Notes *with satisfaction* that there are also ‘human rights bright spots’ within this context of major challenges to human rights worldwide; underlines the need for a more strategic communication on human rights and democracy by spreading news about positive results, policies and best practices; supports the Good Human Rights Stories initiative<sup>12</sup> as a way of promoting positive stories about human rights;

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<sup>12</sup> <https://goodhumanrightsstories.net/>.

*Amendment*

5. Notes that there are also ‘human rights bright spots’ within this context of major challenges to human rights worldwide; underlines the need for a more strategic communication on human rights and democracy by spreading news about positive results, policies and best practices; supports the Good Human Rights Stories initiative<sup>12</sup> as a way of promoting positive stories about human rights;

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<sup>12</sup> <https://goodhumanrightsstories.net/>.

Or. en

**Amendment 142**  
**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1 (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Emphasises the importance that the EU and its Member States consistently act together and in unity, particularly in multilateral forums, to address global challenges to human rights and democracy;***

Or. es

**Amendment 143**  
**Francisco José Millán Mon**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 5 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**5a. Reiterates its condemnation, in the strongest terms, of Russia's illegal and unjustified war of aggression against Ukraine and of the involvement of the regime in Belarus; reiterates its deep grief over the human suffering and serious human rights violations caused by that conflict; demands that Russia stop all military action and withdraw all military forces, proxy forces and military equipment from every part of internationally recognised Ukrainian territory;**

Or. es

**Amendment 144**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 5 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**5a. Expresses deep concerns at the significant threats to human rights and democracy worldwide, noting that the number of democracies has continued to decline, while the number of authoritarian regimes has grown; underlines with concern the serious violations of human rights and international humanitarian law in an increasing number of places around the world, as well as widespread impunity for these violations;**

Or. en

**Amendment 145**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 5 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**5a. Is concerned about the fact that international conferences and highly mediatised events are organised in authoritarian and illiberal countries where HRDs are persecuted or harassed, and that these countries use such events as windows of publicity and to distort their image on the global scene concerning their human rights records;**

Or. en

**Amendment 146**

**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 5 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**5a. Condemns the on-going violations of human rights in Türkiye, including the right to freedom of religion or belief as also expressly denounced in the Report on the 2021 Commission Report on Turkey;**

Or. en

**Amendment 147**

**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 5 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**5b. Urges the EU and its Member**

*States to intensify their efforts all over the world to support democracy and human rights; calls for the EU and its Member States, in this regard, both individually and in cooperation with like-minded international partners, to thwart unacceptable attempts to weaken democratic institutions and universal human rights and diminish the space for and role of civil society; reaffirms the value of multilateralism as an instrument to achieve this goal; stresses the importance of placing democracy and human rights concerns at the heart of the EU's diplomatic relations with all counterparts, in particular with countries considered to be strategic partners; stresses, in addition, the importance of placing human rights matters at the heart of EU parliamentary activity;*

Or. en

**Amendment 148**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Engin Eroglu, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 5 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**5b. Praises and thanks all human rights defenders for their courageous and crucial work in defence of human rights and the planet; acknowledges that they carry on their work under increasingly challenging and evolving circumstances and often at a heavy personal cost for them, their families and their communities;**

Or. en

**Amendment 149  
Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 5 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**5c. Reiterates that the ambitious commitment and rhetoric of the EU's foreign human rights policy requires it to lead by example in order to avoid undermining its credibility when opposing the global democratic decline; calls for the EU institutions and bodies, including the European External Action Service (EEAS), to ensure that the EU's and Member States' human rights obligations are consistently implemented in the EU's common foreign and security policy; encourages them, in this regard, to make use of all diplomatic tools, both privately and publicly, and both bilaterally and in multilateral forums, to raise human rights issues with partner countries; reiterates its call for the EU to take particular care to assess and prevent any violations linked to its own policies, projects and funding, including by the European Investment Bank and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, in third countries, and to create a complaints mechanism for individuals or groups whose rights may have been violated by EU activities in these countries;**

Or. en

**Amendment 150**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**6. Underlines** the need to uphold international humanitarian law; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and

**6. Expresses deep concerns at the increasing disregard for international humanitarian law and international**



unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences;

***human rights law in the ongoing conflicts around the world and in situations of occupation, as well as widespread impunity for such violations; stresses the link between human rights violations and widespread impunity and the lack of accountability in regions and countries affected by conflicts; underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law and strongly welcomes the continuous contribution of the International Criminal Court (ICC) to the fight against impunity; calls for the EU and its Member States to provide the ICC with sufficient support to enable it to carry out its work; reiterates its condemnation of continuous efforts to undermine the legitimacy and work of the ICC by authoritarian and illiberal regimes and calls for the EU and its Member States to continue their efforts to counter them; calls on the European Union to update and integrate the Decision of 2011 on the ICC with a strong EU position on the crime of aggression as called for by the EP Resolution on the CoA of 17 July 2014; in particular, calls on the European Union to promote a reform of the Rome Statute through amendments to the Statute aimed at aligning the ICC's jurisdiction on the crime of aggression with that already in place on genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences;***

Or. en

**Amendment 151**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

6. Underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences;

*Amendment*

6. Underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law; ***strongly condemns the violations of international humanitarian law and human rights abuses by government forces and armed groups around the world, which in some cases amounted to war crimes and crimes against humanity***; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences; ***calls on the EU and its Member States to step up their efforts to promote the correct enforcement of international humanitarian law and provide assistance to the victims***;

Or. en

**Amendment 152**  
**Carina Ohlsson**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

6. Underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the

*Amendment*

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systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the ***gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences***;

systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the environmental consequences ***of armed conflicts, such as severely damaged natural habitats and ecosystems, as well as detrimental gendered impacts, including the use of sexual violence against women and girls in conflicts as a war tactic, and exacerbated prevalence of domestic violence, trafficking and child marriage***;

Or. en

### **Amendment 153**

**Petras Auštrevičius, Katalin Cseh**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 6**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

6. Underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences;

###### *Amendment*

6. Underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences; ***condemns attempts by authoritarian governments to interfere in the activities of humanitarian aid organisations and the restrictions they impose, such as the ban on women working in such organisations***;

**Amendment 154**  
**David McAllister**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

6. Underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences;

*Amendment*

6. Underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; ***recalls, in this context, the significance of coordinating between civilian and military actors***; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences;

**Amendment 155**  
**Janina Ochojska**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

6. Underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war;

*Amendment*

6. Underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law, ***with particular regard to the Geneva Conventions***; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts ***and natural disasters***, and for the systematic creation of humanitarian

condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences;

corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences;

Or. pl

**Amendment 156**  
**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

6. Underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law; calls to effectively guarantee the **rapid** and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences;

*Amendment*

6. Underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law; calls to effectively guarantee the **timely** and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict, **including for children and minors**, as well as its environmental consequences;

Or. es

**Amendment 157**  
**David Lega, Miriam Lexmann, Andrey Kovatchev, Lukas Mandl**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6**

*Motion for a resolution*

6. Underlines the need to uphold international humanitarian law; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences;

*Amendment*

6. Underlines the need to uphold ***international human rights law and*** international humanitarian law; calls to effectively guarantee the rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian aid during armed conflicts and for the systematic creation of humanitarian corridors when and where needed in situations of armed conflicts and war; condemns the disastrous humanitarian consequences and human rights violations caused by modern warfare and conflicts worldwide; points to the gendered impacts of armed conflict as well as its environmental consequences;

Or. en

**Amendment 158**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

***6a. Reiterates its call on the Commission and the EEAS to develop a comprehensive EU action plan on fighting impunity, which should include a chapter on Ukraine, and to explore ways and present new tools to contribute to the fight against international crimes and end impunity, to help the victims of violations of international human rights law and of international humanitarian law to access international justice and obtain remedy and reparation, including through building the capacity of Member States and non-EU countries to apply the principle of universal jurisdiction in their domestic legal systems; calls for the EU and its international partners to make full use of all relevant instruments to fight***

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*impunity, including support for universal jurisdiction at national level, special tribunals at a national and international level including for the crime of aggression, as well as establishing flexible cooperation and funding mechanisms to swiftly collect and analyse evidence of crimes; calls on the Commission to ensure that these instruments are applied in a coordinated and complementary manner with other relevant EU and Member State instruments;*

Or. en

**Amendment 159**  
**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**6a.** *Given the gendered impacts of armed conflicts, deplores the insufficient priority and focus given to sexual and gender-based violence and to sexual and reproductive health and rights across the EU's humanitarian and refugee response; reiterates that humanitarian crises intensify SRHR- and gender-related challenges and recalls that in crisis zones, particularly among vulnerable groups such as refugees and migrants, women and girls are particularly exposed to sexual violence, sexually transmitted diseases, sexual exploitation, rape as a weapon of war and unwanted pregnancies; calls on the Commission and Member States to give high priority to gender equality and SRHR in their humanitarian aid response, as well as accountability and access to justice and redress for sexual and reproductive rights violations and gender-based violence including in terms of training for humanitarian actors and existing and*

*future funding;*

Or. en

**Amendment 160**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 6 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**6a. Reiterates its call on the Member States to help contain armed conflicts and serious violations of human rights or international humanitarian law by strictly abiding by the provisions of Article 7 of the UN Arms Trade Treaty on Export and Export Assessment, the EU Common Position on Arms Exports and the EU Dual Use Regulation, including by refusing any transfer of arms and surveillance equipment which would result in the risk that the importing state or non-state actors may commit or facilitate violations of human rights or international humanitarian law; reiterates its calls for stricter and EU-level harmonised EU arms exports policy, better end-use control of exported arms, more coordination of national decisions on arms exports and, for arms subsidised through the European Defence Fund, an EU monitoring and sanctions mechanism for breaches of the eight EU export criteria;**

Or. en

**Amendment 161**

**Miriam Lexmann, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 6 a (new)**



*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**6a. Condemns Russia's war crimes in Ukraine including, indiscriminate and deliberate bombing of civilian targets, rape, torture, and the targeting of Ukrainian children through measures including forcible transfers, unlawful deportations, illegal adoptions and attempts to impose 're-education';**

Or. en

**Amendment 162**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Engin Eroglu, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 6 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**6a. Strongly condemns attacks on critical civilian infrastructures during conflicts; highlights that attacks targeting civilians and objects indispensable to the survival of civilians are prohibited under international humanitarian law;**

Or. en

**Amendment 163**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 6 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**6b. Insists on the importance of ensuring the coherence of EU policy in relation to situations of occupation or annexation of territory, including in cases of protracted occupation such as**

*Palestine, Western Sahara, Northern Cyprus and the multiple conflicts in the Eastern Partnership countries; recalls that international humanitarian law should guide EU policy in relation to all such situations; highlights the responsibility of EU-based corporations to apply the most stringent due diligence policy towards any economic or financial activity in or with these territories, and to ensure strict compliance with international law as well as with EU sanctions policy when applicable towards these situations; calls on the Commission to consider introducing legislation which clarifies applicable rules in relation to EU trade with such territories;*

Or. en

**Amendment 164**  
**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**6b.** *Is seriously concerned by the persistence of the scourge of wars, military conflicts and of protracted occupation or annexation of territories; calls to pay special attention to the human rights situation in the illegally occupied territories including in cases of protracted occupation such as in Palestine and Western Sahara, and the multiple frozen conflicts, and take effective measures with the aim to prevent grave human rights abuses on the ground, including the violation of right to life, restriction of freedom of movement, and discrimination;*

Or. en

**Amendment 165**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 6 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**6c. Recalling its resolution of 27 February 2014 on the use of armed drones, expresses its continued concern over the use of armed drones outside the international legal framework; calls once again for the EU to urgently develop a legally binding framework for the use of armed drones to ensure that the Member States, in keeping with their legal obligations, do not perpetrate unlawful targeted killings or facilitate such killings by third states; calls further on the Commission to keep Parliament properly informed about the use of EU funds for all research and development projects associated with the construction of drones; calls for human rights impact assessments in respect of further drone development projects; recalls its resolution of 12 September 2018 on autonomous weapon systems and urges the VP/HR and the Member States to ban the development, production and use of autonomous weapons which lack meaningful human control over the critical functions of selecting and attacking targets; welcomes in this respect the first legal definition of lethal autonomous weapon systems by the EU in the EDF, EDIRPA and ASAP regulations which prohibit the use of these funds for co-funding such weapons; insists on the launch of international negotiations on a legally binding instrument that would prohibit lethal autonomous weapons without meaningful human control; urges the VP/HR and the Member States to adopt a common position for international negotiations in this respect;**

**Amendment 166**  
**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 6 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**6c. Expresses concern over frequent violations of Common Position 2008/944/CFSP defining common rules governing control of exports of military technology and equipment; calls on all the Member States to strictly observe the EU Code of Conduct on Arms Exports, and in particular to halt all transfers of weapons, surveillance and intelligence equipment and materials that could be used by governments, terrorist groups or mercenaries to crack down on human rights and a fortiori for the purposes of armed conflict; stresses that some EU Member States are among the largest arms exporters in the world and considers it essential to apply and strengthen international standards on arms sales to prevent any EU Member State or European company from participating directly or indirectly in an escalation of violence or in the financing of armies or groups involved in abuses; calls for these companies to commit to their moral, social and legal responsibilities; is firmly opposed to any reorientation of the CFSP towards greater militarisation focused solely on strengthening NATO and considers that European policies should be solely focused on peace and conflict resolution;**

Or. en

**Amendment 167**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 6 d (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**6d. Urges the Commission to develop an ambitious programme to build the capacity of Member States but also of third countries to apply the principle of universal jurisdiction in their domestic legal systems;**

Or. en

**Amendment 168**

**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Subheading 2**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

Right to life: towards the universal abolition of the death penalty

Right to life: **steps** towards the universal abolition of the death penalty

Or. es

**Amendment 169**

**Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

7. Notes that despite the trend in some non-EU countries to take steps towards abolishing the death penalty, significant challenges in this regard still exist; deplores the fact that in other non-EU countries the number of death sentences

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that have been carried out has reached its highest level in the last five years; reiterates its call for all countries to completely abolish the death penalty or establish an immediate moratorium as a first step towards its abolition;

death sentences that have been carried out has reached its highest level in the last five years; reiterates its call for all countries to completely abolish the death penalty or establish an immediate moratorium as a first step towards its abolition; ***condemns the Iranian regime for its cruel and increasing use of the death penalty to spread fear across society and to quash Iranian people's desire for freedom;***

Or. en

**Amendment 170**  
**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

7. Notes that despite the trend in some non-EU countries to take steps towards abolishing the death penalty, significant challenges in this regard still exist; deplores the fact that in other non-EU countries the number of death sentences that have been carried out has reached its highest level in the last five years; reiterates its call for all countries to completely abolish the death penalty or establish an immediate moratorium as a first step towards its abolition;

*Amendment*

7. Notes that despite the trend in some non-EU countries to take steps towards abolishing the death penalty, significant challenges in this regard still exist; deplores the fact that in other non-EU countries the number of death sentences that have been carried out has reached its highest level in the last five years; reiterates its call for all countries to completely abolish the death penalty or establish an immediate moratorium as a first step towards its abolition; ***calls on the EU and its Member States to defend its abolition in all international forums;***

Or. es

**Amendment 171**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

7. Notes that despite the trend in some non-EU countries to take steps towards abolishing the death penalty, significant challenges in this regard still exist; deplores the fact that in other non-EU countries the number of death sentences that have been carried out has reached its highest level in the last five years; reiterates its call for all countries to completely abolish the death penalty or establish an immediate moratorium as a first step towards its abolition;

*Amendment*

7. Notes that despite the trend in some non-EU countries to take steps towards abolishing the death penalty, significant challenges in this regard still exist; deplores the fact that in other non-EU countries the number of death sentences that have been carried out has reached its highest level in the last five years; reiterates its call for all countries to completely abolish the death penalty or establish an immediate moratorium as a first step towards its abolition; ***stresses the importance of supporting local and regional abolitionist efforts;***

Or. en

**Amendment 172**

**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 7**

*Motion for a resolution*

7. ***Notes*** that despite the trend in some non-EU countries to take steps towards abolishing the death penalty, significant challenges in this regard still exist; deplores the fact that in other non-EU countries the number of death sentences that have been carried out has reached its highest level in the last five years; reiterates its call for all countries to completely abolish the death penalty or establish an immediate moratorium as a first step towards its abolition;

*Amendment*

7. ***Regrets*** that despite the trend in some non-EU countries to take steps towards abolishing the death penalty, significant challenges in this regard still exist; deplores the fact that in other non-EU countries the number of death sentences that have been carried out has reached its highest level in the last five years; reiterates its call for all countries to completely abolish the death penalty or establish an immediate moratorium as a first step towards its abolition;

Or. en

**Amendment 173**

**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**7a. Reiterates its principled opposition to the death penalty, which is a cruel, inhuman and degrading punishment and is irreversible; stresses that the EU must be relentless in its pursuit of the universal abolition of the death penalty as a major objective of its human rights foreign policy; calls for the EU and its Member States to defend abolition in all international forums and advocate for the widest possible support for this position; encourages the continuing efforts of the UN bodies on the universal abolition of the death penalty, in line with the resolutions of the UN General Assembly; condemns in strong terms the enforcement of blasphemy laws that carry the possibility of the death penalty if convicted across the globe; reiterates that the freedom to choose one's religion, including whether to believe or not to believe at all, remains a fundamental human right that cannot be punished by death or any degrading treatment; calls on all countries that have not yet done so to abolish the death penalty or establish an immediate moratorium as a first step towards its abolition; calls, additionally, on the countries concerned to reduce the list of crimes or offences punishable by death; calls for transparency around death sentences and executions in countries that do not disclose these statistics;**

Or. en

**Amendment 174**  
**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**



**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**7a. Calls for the Commission to specifically include human rights clauses pointing towards a moratorium on the use of the death penalty with a view to abolition in all trade and other association agreements with third countries, including through commitments to the ratification and implementation of relevant international treaties;**

Or. en

**Amendment 175**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**7b. Condemns any incidents of torture, inhuman or degrading treatment, enforced disappearances, arbitrary detentions and unlawful killings and deplores the fact that they continue to be common in many countries; notes with great concern the trend of increasing instances of torture worldwide and widespread impunity for its perpetrators; recognises the important role that civil society organisations and human rights defenders play in the fight against torture and other forms of ill-treatment;**

Or. en

**Amendment 176**  
**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 7 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**7b. Supports the process of adoption by the African Union of the draft Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights on the abolition of the death penalty in Africa; encourages other third countries and regional organisations to begin similar processes, including through the meaningful inclusion of CSOs;**

Or. en

**Amendment 177**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Subheading 4**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

Right to freedom of expression, media freedom and the right to information

Right to freedom of expression, media freedom, **academic freedom** and the right to information

Or. en

**Amendment 178**  
**Fabio Massimo Castaldo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

8. Is deeply concerned by the increasing setbacks to freedom of expression and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders and civil society

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organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and illiberal regimes; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation to silence them;

organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and illiberal regimes; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation to silence them; ***recognizes the critical importance of supporting journalists who face persecution and threats to their safety in autocratic regimes, with particular attention to the situation in Russia, exemplified by the case of Yelena Milashina and calls on the establishment of journalist protection programmes that facilitate relocation and resettlement for those in immediate danger; regrets the practice of targeted surveillance of journalists and the use of spyware against them, as well as other digital threats, that impact journalists in a very personal way violating their right to privacy, right to freedom of expression, and freedom of thought, impairing journalists’, activists’ and politicians’ right to freedom of association and are having a negative impact on press freedom worldwide, limiting journalists’ ability to investigate and report; urges the EU to call for an immediate moratorium on the development, export, sale and use of spyware until robust regulations are implemented to guarantee its use in line with international human rights standards and to safeguard journalists;***

Or. en

**Amendment 179**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
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*Motion for a resolution*

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increasing setbacks to freedom of expression and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders and civil society organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and illiberal regimes; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation to silence them;

increasing setbacks to freedom of expression and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders and civil society organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and illiberal regimes; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation to silence them; ***reaffirms that access to credible and reliable information, both online and offline, is an essential right in a democratic society; calls on third countries to adopt urgent measures to prevent any unnecessary or excessive use of force during protests, as well as to repeal or amend any legislation and administrative acts that violate the right to the freedom of expression and of assembly, including administrative fines to media outlets and journalists;***

Or. en

**Amendment 180**  
**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Motion for a resolution*

8. Is deeply concerned by the increasing setbacks to freedom of expression and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders and civil society organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and illiberal regimes; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against

*Amendment*

8. Is deeply concerned by the increasing setbacks to freedom of expression and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders and civil society organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, ***increasing administrative burdens, threats, demonising language when speaking of them*** as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by

public participation to silence *them*;

authoritarian and illiberal regimes *and also in a number of long-established democratic countries across the world*; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation (*SLAPPs*) to silence *public watchdogs and urges states to combat them effectively*;

Or. en

### **Amendment 181**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 8**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

8. Is deeply concerned by the increasing setbacks to freedom of expression and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders and civil society organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and illiberal regimes; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation to silence them;

##### *Amendment*

8. Is deeply concerned by the increasing setbacks to freedom of expression, *including artistic expression*, and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders and civil society organisations, *public watchdogs, whistle-blowers and artists*, through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and illiberal regimes, *such as increasing administrative burdens, threats, defamatory and demonising language*; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation to silence them *and urges both Member States and third countries to halt such practices*;

Or. en

### **Amendment 182**

**David McAllister**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Motion for a resolution*

8. Is deeply concerned by the increasing setbacks to freedom of expression and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders and civil society organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and illiberal regimes; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation to silence them;

*Amendment*

8. Is deeply concerned by the increasing setbacks to freedom of expression and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders and civil society organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and illiberal regimes; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation to silence them; ***welcomes, in this context, efforts to reinforce protection of journalists and activists in the EU against unfounded and abusive lawsuits aimed to silence them;***

Or. en

**Amendment 183**  
**Carina Ohlsson**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8**

*Motion for a resolution*

8. Is deeply concerned by the increasing setbacks to freedom of expression and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders and civil society organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and illiberal regimes; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation to silence them;

*Amendment*

8. Is deeply concerned by the increasing setbacks to freedom of expression and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders, ***including women's rights activists in Iran and Afghanistan,*** and civil society organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and illiberal regimes; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against

public participation to silence them;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 184**

**Miriam Lexmann, György Hölvényi**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 8**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

8. Is deeply concerned by the increasing setbacks to freedom of expression and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders and civil society organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and *illiberal* regimes; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation to silence them;

###### *Amendment*

8. Is deeply concerned by the increasing setbacks to freedom of expression and media freedom around the world, particularly for journalists; condemns the censorship of journalists, human rights defenders and civil society organisations through the application of so-called ‘foreign agents’ laws, as well as other legislative and non-legislative measures adopted by authoritarian and *totalitarian* regimes; recalls its deep concern over the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation to silence them;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 185**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 8 a (new)**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

###### *Amendment*

***8a. Urges the EU and the Member States to step up their diplomatic efforts through bilateral and multilateral engagement in relation to threats or attacks on academic freedom by state and non-state actors; calls on the EEAS and the Commission to revisit existing support and protection mechanisms in order to***

*develop the capacity to identify and provide assistance, including emergency protection and support, in cases involving attacks on academic freedom; calls on the Commission to ensure continued high-level support to the Global Campus of Human Rights and Democracy, as a flagship of the EU's support to human rights education worldwide;*

Or. en

**Amendment 186**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**8a. Underlines the utmost importance of freedom of expression – both online and offline – and access to reliable information for democracy and flourishing civic space; expresses deep concern about the growing limitations on and violations of the rights to privacy, freedom of expression, freedom of information and freedom of association and assembly imposed by state and non-state actors in many countries around the world, particularly for journalists, through censorship or the need for self-censorship; denounces, in addition, the use of technologies such as spyware to persecute journalists or hinder or control their work; expresses deep concern, moreover, about the physical safety of journalists, attacks against them, including extrajudicial killings and arbitrary detentions;**

Or. en



**Amendment 187**  
**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**8a. *Rejects that the right to demonstrate peacefully has been denied in many countries, with legal, administrative and other measures such as the suppression of demonstrations through the use of force, harassment and arbitrary detention; stresses that hundreds of peaceful demonstrators have been arrested, many of whom have been subjected to ill-treatment and arbitrary detentions and have had to pay heavy fines in trials where minimum procedural standards were not guaranteed; demands respect for the rights to freedom of assembly, association and expression guaranteed by international standards and UN treaties and calls on governments not to use force against peaceful protesters;***

Or. en

**Amendment 188**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**8a. *Expresses concern over censorship, increased violations and attacks on academic freedom, particularly the imprisonment of scholars worldwide; supports in this regard the Joint Statement in support of Academic Freedom issued at the 52nd Session of the UN HRC; welcomes the inclusion of academics at risk in the EU Human***

*Rights Defenders Mechanism; calls on the EU to continue supporting and cooperating with the Global Campus of Human Rights, which has provided a safe space for students and scholars who had to flee their countries for defending democracy and human rights;*

Or. en

**Amendment 189**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*8a. Reiterates its concern regarding increased violations of academic freedom and the censorship and imprisonment of scholars worldwide, which have important consequences for the right to education, the enjoyment of the benefits of scientific progress and the freedom of opinion and expression both online and offline, including the freedom to seek, receive and impart information; calls on Member State and EU Delegations to play a key role in monitoring and reporting on violations of academic freedom in third countries;*

Or. en

**Amendment 190**

**Jaak Madison, Anna Bonfrisco, Susanna Ceccardi, Jean-Lin Lacapelle**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*8a. Notes with concern that so-called "wokeism" and the resultant cancel*

*culture widens societal division,  
discourages open and frank discourse,  
leads to a reductionist view of history,  
promotes censorship, and will inevitably  
and irreversibly curtail freedom of  
expression;*

Or. en

**Amendment 191**  
**Bert-Jan Ruissen**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*8a. States that the notion of ‘hate speech’ amounts to a disproportionate limitation to freedom of expression which is a basic condition of democratic societies, as described in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the European Convention on Human Rights;*

Or. en

**Amendment 192**  
**Janina Ochojska**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 8 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*8a. Underlines the role of independent journalists and whistleblowers in ensuring access to reliable information and in informing the public about current affairs;*

Or. pl

**Amendment 193**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 8 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**8b. Welcomes the Joint Statement on Academic Freedom delivered at the 52nd Session of the Human Rights Council and supported by all Member States; supports the development of the draft Principles for Implementing the Right of Academic Freedom, which can provide useful guidance to United Nations mechanisms, States and other stakeholders; calls for the EU and its Member States to promote the adoption of guidelines on academic freedom within the UN system;**

Or. en

**Amendment 194**

**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 8 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**8b. Calls on the Commission to safeguard freedom of expression and to ensure public access to information through the internet as means of achieving freedom of speech; condemns the brutal crackdowns and the use of force, harassment, arbitrary detention and extrajudicial killings against peaceful protestors in a number of third countries;**

Or. en

**Amendment 195**

**Anja Haga, Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9**

*Motion for a resolution*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy ***for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU*** should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives;

*Amendment*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; recommends that the ***EU Special Envoy for the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief outside the EU*** work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives; ***is of the opinion that regardless of the institutional positioning, the post of EU Special Envoy for the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief outside the EU has to become permanent, with sufficient political and material backing to enable the Special Envoy to exercise his mandate properly;***

Or. en

**Amendment 196**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9**

*Motion for a resolution*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of

*Amendment*

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thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplors the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives;

thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplors the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; ***observes that atheism and the non-religious population are growing rapidly worldwide and should not be neglected in the EU policy framework on freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief***; recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives; ***regrets that the mandate was renewed by the Commission without a prior assessment of the effectiveness and added value of this position, as had been repeatedly requested by the Parliament***;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 197**

**David Lega, Miriam Lexmann, Andrey Kovatchev, Lukas Mandl**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 9**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplors the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a

##### *Amendment*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplors the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; ***deplors that some countries such as Pakistan have***

complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives;

***blasphemy laws which de facto hinder religious minorities such as Christians from speaking freely or engaging in religious activities; strongly supports the mandate of the EU Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of thought, conscience and religion outside the EU;*** recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives;

Or. en

**Amendment 198**  
**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9**

*Motion for a resolution*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to

*Amendment*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to

the other special envoys and EU special representatives;

the other special envoys and EU special representatives; ***deplores the fact that the 2013 EU guidelines on the promotion and protection of freedom of religion or belief have not been updated since then; calls for the guidelines to be revised and updated, as provided for in Article 70 thereof;***

Or. es

**Amendment 199**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9**

*Motion for a resolution*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives;

*Amendment*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; ***expresses concerns over religious or belief minorities in situations of conflict and calls on the EU and its Member States to increase the efforts in their protection;*** recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives;

Or. en



**Amendment 200**  
**György Hölvényi, Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9**

*Motion for a resolution*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; **recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives;**

*Amendment*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; **deeply concerned about the high levels of coercion, discrimination, harassment, violence and repression against people belonging to belief or religious minorities as a global phenomenon that is intensifying in certain regions; calls for the EU and its Member States to step up their efforts to protect the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion or belief, to raise these issues at UN human rights forums and to work with the relevant UN mechanisms and committees; condemns the abuse of blasphemy laws to perpetuate discrimination and** deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries;

Or. en

**Amendment 201**  
**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9**

*Motion for a resolution*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief

*Amendment*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief **including the right to espouse theistic, non-theistic, agnostic or atheistic views, and the right to apostasy**; deplores the

minorities and religious communities in certain *non-EU* countries; recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives;

instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain countries; recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives;

Or. en

## **Amendment 202**

**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga**

### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 9**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives;

##### *Amendment*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain non-EU countries; recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights, ***EU Representatives for specific regions***, and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special

representatives;

Or. en

### Amendment 203

Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans

#### Motion for a resolution

##### Paragraph 9

###### *Motion for a resolution*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief; deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain *non-EU* countries; ***recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives;***

###### *Amendment*

9. Reiterates its concern regarding violations of the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief ***and related hate crimes***; deplores the instrumentalisation of religion or belief identities for political purposes and the exclusion of religious and belief minorities and religious communities in certain countries; ***notes with concern escalations of violence perpetuated against members of thought, conscience, religious or belief minorities, their properties and places of worship, and the enforcement of blasphemy laws across the globe that carry the possibility of death penalty to the convicted; calls on the Commission, the EEAS and the Member States to prevent and fight such violations and hate crimes, including working with third countries to this end;***

Or. en

### Amendment 204

György Hölvényi, Miriam Lexmann

#### Motion for a resolution

##### Paragraph 9 a (new)

###### *Motion for a resolution*

###### *Amendment*

***9a. Recommends that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of***

*religion or belief outside the EU work closely in cooperation with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, calls on the Commission to dedicate adequate financial and human resources to secure that the Special Envoy can effectively execute his mandate; highlights that the EU external policies, including its development cooperation, still fail to systematically include the promotion of freedom of religion or belief into its external engagement and dialogue with partner countries; calls on the Commission and the European External Action Service to provide the necessary institutional background for Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion or belief outside the EU to fulfil his mandate;*

Or. en

**Amendment 205**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9a.** *Deplores that 22 countries still criminalize apostasy, including 13 where it is punishable by death; deplores as well that blasphemy is criminalized in 79 countries and is punishable by death in 7 countries; recalls with concern that at least 14 EU Member States maintain criminal blasphemy or religious insult laws; denounces the recourse to blasphemy, apostasy or other accusations based on religious grounds, in order to crack-down on human rights defenders in relation to their legitimate activities, including on the Internet and social*

*media, and more broadly to restrict civil society space; in this context, calls on the Saudi authorities to unconditionally lift all restrictions against Sakharov Prize laureate Raif Badawi and to allow him to travel and carry out his legitimate activities;*

Or. en

**Amendment 206**  
**Anja Haga, Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*9a. Recalls that 24 June of this year marked the 10-year anniversary of the EU Guidelines on the promotion and protection of religion or belief; regrets the fact that although the Guidelines provide for their own 3-year evaluation by COHOM, no evaluation has been made public so far; calls on the Council to conduct this evaluation, thereby paying specific attention to the role of the Guidelines in the training and action of EU delegation staff, and to share the results with Parliament; calls on the European External Action Service and the EU delegations to also include religious organisations in their dialogues with civil society in order to tailor human rights policies to country-specific religious and cultural contexts;*

Or. en

**Amendment 207**  
**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9a. Fully supports the EU practice of leading related thematic resolutions at the UN Human Rights Council and UN General Assembly; recommends that the special envoy work closely and in a complementary manner with the EU Special Representative (EUSR) for Human Rights and the Council Working Party on Human Rights and, to this end, considers that the Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU should be integrated into the European External Action Service in a similar way to the other special envoys and EU special representatives;**

Or. en

**Amendment 208**

**David Lega, Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9a. Condemns the escalations of violence against members of religious or belief minorities, as well as their properties and places of worship; fully supports the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion, to hold a belief, or not to believe, and the right to manifest and to change or leave one's religion or belief without fear of violence and discrimination; calls on the Commission and the Council to provide support to religious minorities through its Foreign Policy Instruments for ambitious programmes aimed at defending the freedom of religion and belief in the world; calls also for more efforts and collaboration at multilateral level and**

*with the support of the ICC to collect evidence of hate crimes, bringing the perpetrators to justice, and compensating the victims;*

Or. en

**Amendment 209**

**David Lega, Miriam Lexmann, Andrey Kovatchev, Lukas Mandl**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9a. Is deeply concerned about the violence against people belonging to minorities on the grounds of their belief or religion as a global phenomenon; deplores that it affects many religious communities, namely Christians (including Copts, Syriacs, Assyrians), Jews, Muslims (including Uyghurs, Ahmadis and Alevis), Buddhists, Hindus and smaller religious groups, such as Baha'is, Sikhs and Zoroastrians, as well as groups of people who are atheists, humanists, agnostics or do not identify with any religion;**

Or. en

**Amendment 210**

**Francisco José Millán Mon**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9a. Urges the EU and its Member States to push forward work at the UN to combat terrorism by implementing and updating the four pillars of the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy adopted by**

*the General Assembly in September 2006,  
the eighth review of which was adopted on  
22 June 2023;*

Or. es

**Amendment 211**

**Jaak Madison, Anna Bonfrisco, Susanna Ceccardi, Jean-Lin Lacapelle**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9a. Expresses grave concern that Christians remain the most persecuted religious group in the world; condemns in the strongest terms any and all attacks against Christian communities; emphasises the role EU Member States have to play in condemning and confronting these attacks against communities that share their Christian heritage;**

Or. en

**Amendment 212**

**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9a. Denounces the attacks against countless individuals and civil society organisations for peacefully questioning, criticising or satirising religious beliefs and recalls that expressing critical opinions about religion is a legitimate expression of freedom of thought or artistic creation;**

Or. en



**Amendment 213**

**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga, György Hölvényi, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9a. Welcomes the appointment of a new EU Special Envoy for the promotion of freedom of religion and belief outside the EU and calls on the EU to strengthen its global role to protect freedom of religion around the world;**

Or. en

**Amendment 214**

**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga, György Hölvényi, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9b. Deplores the violence, harassment and killing of persons due to the existence and enforcement of anti-conversion and blasphemy laws in several countries, such as, for example, Nigeria and Pakistan; denounces the fact that such laws limit and even deprive religious and non-religious belief minorities of their right to freedom of religion or belief; notes in this regard through the Parliament's Resolution on the risk of death penalty and execution of singer Yahaya Sharif Aminu for blasphemy in Nigeria and reiterates its call for his immediate release;**

Or. en

**Amendment 215**

**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga, György Hölvényi**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9b. Notes with concern escalations of violence perpetuated against members of religious or belief minorities, their properties and places of worship; fully supports the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion, to hold a belief, or not to believe, and the right to manifest and to change or leave one's religion or belief without fear of violence and discrimination; calls on the Commission and the Council to implement ambitious programmes to defend freedom of religion or belief worldwide, including encouraging and supporting international efforts to collect evidence of hate crimes, bringing the perpetrators to justice, and compensating the victims; calls on the Council, the Commission, the EEAS and the Member States to work with third countries to adopt measures to prevent and fight such crimes; welcomes the upcoming call for proposals to be launched by the EU in 2023 to support organisations working to promote and protect freedom of religion or belief;**

Or. en

**Amendment 216**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9b. Observes with deep concern that non-religious, and secular and humanist**

*organizations are facing growing persecution, including unprecedented waves of incitement and hatred and killings, in a number of countries; denounces the attacks against countless individuals and civil society organisations for peacefully questioning, criticizing or satirizing religious beliefs and that this ongoing violation of their freedom of thought and of expression occurs across geographic and cultural borders;*

Or. en

**Amendment 217**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Engin Eroglu, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9b. *Recognises the value of interfaith and interreligious dialogue that leads to peaceful co-existence and mutual understanding among various religious, belief and ethnic groups; calls on the Commission, the EEAS, the EU Special Representative on Human Rights, the EU Special Envoy on Freedom of Religion or Belief and the Member States to encourage and promote initiatives on involving interfaith and interreligious dialogue;***

Or. en

**Amendment 218**

**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9b.** *Notes with concern the ongoing attacks on and closures of educational institutions and broadcasting stations belonging to religion and belief communities; condemns fabrication of civil and criminal charges against academics, journalists spiritual and community leaders as a means of punishment for exercise of civil rights, in particular the right to peaceful protest and demonstration;*

Or. en

**Amendment 219**

**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9b.** *Further expresses concern about the misuse and instrumentalisation of religion to foment intolerance or undermine human rights, such as the rights of LGBTQI persons and women's rights, namely SRHR, as well as children's rights to freedom of thought, conscience and religion;*

Or. en

**Amendment 220**

**David Lega, Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9b.** *Believes that interfaith and*

*interreligious dialogue amongst various religious, belief and ethnic groups provides added value and can enhance dialogue that aims towards peaceful co-existence and mutual understanding; encourages the Commission, the EEAS, the EU Special Representative on Human Rights, the EU Special Envoy on FoRB and the Member States to promote initiatives on involving interfaith and interreligious dialogue;*

Or. en

**Amendment 221**

**Jaak Madison, Anna Bonfrisco, Susanna Ceccardi, Jean-Lin Lacapelle**

**Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 9 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9b. Deeply regrets the desecration and vandalism of sacred and religious sites; calls on the EU and its Member States to condemn all such actions and stand in defence of Christian heritage;**

Or. en

**Amendment 222**

**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 9 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9c. Calls for the EU and its Member States to step up their efforts to protect the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion or belief, to raise these issues at UN human rights forums and to work with the relevant UN mechanisms and committees; calls on the Commission and**

*the Council to implement ambitious programmes to defend this right worldwide, including encouraging and supporting international efforts to collect evidence of atrocity crimes on the grounds of belief or religion, bringing the perpetrators to court, rendering effective criminal sentences and compensating the victims; calls on the Council, the Commission, the EEAS and the Member States to work with third countries to adopt measures to prevent and fight hate crimes in all EU external policies; calls on the EEAS and the EU delegations, where appropriate, to include faith-based organisations in their dialogues with civil society in order to tailor human rights policies to country-specific religious and cultural contexts, owing to the role of some faith-based organisations in responding to humanitarian crises, among others; observes that the population that does not identify with any religion should not be neglected in the EU policy framework on freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief;*

Or. en

**Amendment 223**  
**David Lega, Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9c. Underlines that women belonging to minorities such as ethnic, religious or belief communities, especially in places with the presence of radical groups and violent militancy, are highly vulnerable; condemns in strong terms any act of violence in any form towards women perpetrated on the grounds of their religion and belief;**

**Amendment 224**

**Jaak Madison, Anna Bonfrisco, Susanna Ceccardi, Jean-Lin Lacapelle**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9c. Notes that wearing a hijab is not a form of freedom of religion or expression, but rather a clear symbol of the suppression of women; is appalled by the fact that the EU has funded campaigns that promote the headscarf in their official communication;**

Or. en

**Amendment 225**

**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga, György Hölvényi**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 9 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9c. Recognises the value of interfaith and interreligious dialogue that leads to peaceful co-existence and mutual understanding among various religious, belief and ethnic groups; calls on the Commission, the EEAS, the EU Special Representative on Human Rights, the EU Special Envoy on FoRB and the Member States to encourage and promote initiatives on involving interfaith and interreligious dialogue.**

Or. en

**Amendment 226**  
**Miriam Lexmann, Anja Haga, David Lega**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 9 d (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**9d. Reiterates its concern about the ethnic and religious violence in Manipur against the Christian community and calls once again on the Indian authorities to take urgent steps to restore calm and support the affected communities;**

Or. en

**Amendment 227**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Subheading 5 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination***

Or. en

**Amendment 228**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

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

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

10. Reiterates its condemnation of all forms of racism, intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, nationality, social class, disability, caste, religion, belief, age, sexual orientation or gender identity; condemns the growing international threat

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of hate speech, including online; reiterates the crucial role of education and dialogue in promoting tolerance, understanding and diversity;

of hate speech, including online; ***calls for the adoption of effective measures to respond to discriminatory behaviours and end with impunity***; reiterates the crucial role of education and dialogue in promoting tolerance, understanding and diversity; ***condemns the attacks to indigenous leaders and defenders, as well as the forced displacement of indigenous peoples; reiterates its call to adopt all necessary measures for the protection of the rights of indigenous peoples and their defenders; reaffirms the importance of civil society organizations in the defence of human rights of discriminated groups and minorities; calls for the creation or the strengthening of mechanisms to report discriminatory behaviours as well as the access to effective legal remedies***;

Or. en

#### **Amendment 229**

**Petras Auštrevičius, Katalin Cseh**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 10**

##### *Motion for a resolution*

10. Reiterates its condemnation of all forms of racism, intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, nationality, social class, disability, caste, religion, belief, age, sexual orientation or gender identity; condemns the growing international threat of hate speech, including online; reiterates the crucial role of education and dialogue in promoting tolerance, understanding and diversity;

##### *Amendment*

10. Reiterates its condemnation of all forms of racism, intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination on the basis of ***gender***, race, ethnicity, nationality, social class, disability, caste, religion, belief, age, sexual orientation or gender identity; condemns the growing international threat of hate speech, including online; ***notes that women are more likely to be targeted online, which has a negative impact on women's political participation and gender equality in decision-making***; reiterates the crucial role of education and dialogue in promoting tolerance, understanding and diversity;

**Amendment 230**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 10**

*Motion for a resolution*

10. Reiterates its condemnation of all forms of racism, intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, nationality, social class, disability, caste, religion, belief, age, sexual orientation or gender identity; condemns the growing international threat of hate speech, including online; reiterates the crucial role of education and dialogue in promoting tolerance, understanding and diversity;

*Amendment*

10. Reiterates its condemnation of all forms of racism, intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, nationality, social class, disability, caste, religion, belief, age, sexual orientation, **sex** or gender identity; ***underlines the importance of taking an intersectional approach when considering discrimination issues***; condemns the growing international threat of hate speech, including online; reiterates the crucial role of education and dialogue in promoting tolerance, understanding and diversity;

**Amendment 231**

**David Lega, Miriam Lexmann, Andrey Kovatchev, Lukas Mandl**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 10**

*Motion for a resolution*

10. Reiterates its condemnation of all forms of racism, intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, nationality, social class, disability, caste, religion, belief, age, sexual orientation or gender identity; condemns the growing international threat of hate speech, including online; reiterates the crucial role of education and dialogue in promoting tolerance, understanding and diversity;

*Amendment*

10. Reiterates its condemnation of all forms of racism, intolerance, xenophobia, ***antisemitism*** and discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, nationality, social class, disability, caste, religion, belief, age, sexual orientation or gender identity; condemns the growing international threat of hate speech, including online; reiterates the crucial role of education and dialogue in promoting tolerance, understanding and diversity;

**Amendment 232**  
**György Hölvényi, Miriam Lexmann**

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

*Motion for a resolution*

10. Reiterates its condemnation of all forms of racism, intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, nationality, social class, disability, caste, religion, belief, age, **sexual orientation or gender identity**; condemns the growing international threat of hate speech, including online; reiterates the crucial role of education and dialogue in promoting tolerance, understanding and diversity;

*Amendment*

10. Reiterates its condemnation of all forms of racism, intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, nationality, social class, disability, caste, religion, belief, age, **or sex**; condemns the growing international threat of hate speech, including online; reiterates the crucial role of education and dialogue in promoting tolerance, understanding and diversity;

**Amendment 233**  
**Miriam Lexmann, György Hölvényi**

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

*Motion for a resolution*

10. Reiterates its condemnation of all forms of racism, intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, nationality, social class, disability, caste, religion, belief, age, sexual orientation **or gender identity**; condemns the growing international threat of hate speech, including online; reiterates the crucial role of education and dialogue in promoting tolerance, understanding and diversity;

*Amendment*

10. Reiterates its condemnation of all forms of racism, intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination on the basis of **sex**, race, ethnicity, nationality, social class, disability, caste, religion, belief, age, sexual orientation; condemns the growing international threat of hate speech, including online; reiterates the crucial role of education and dialogue in promoting tolerance, understanding and diversity;

**Amendment 234**  
**Jaak Madison, Jean-Lin Lacapelle**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***10a. Expresses its deep concern regarding policies of reverse racial discrimination in South Africa where there are currently more than 120 racial laws in place; notes that South Africa is the only country in the world where a majority of 80 % is protected through affirmative action policies against a minority of no more than 8 %, more than 25 years after the end of apartheid; further condemns the brutal and torturous murders of white South Africans, and farmers in particular, which is a direct result of political parties singing songs such as "Kill the Boer, kill the farmer" without any consequences; urges the South African government to prioritise the prevention, investigation and prosecution of these attacks and murders as a matter of extreme urgency, to prevent a potential genocide from occurring and to ensure that those responsible are held accountable; condemns the fact that these attacks are widely ignored or rationalised by the international community in its perpetual pursuit of political correctness; urges EU Member States to condemn all such acts of violence against minority groups in South Africa; confirms the right of peoples in South Africa to pursue self-determination in all its forms and urges the South African government to ensure that the right to self-determination is given meaningful effect for all peoples in South Africa, and in particular for minorities;***

Or. en

**Amendment 235**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***10a. Underlines its opposition to and condemnation of intolerance, xenophobia and discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, nationality, social class, disability, caste, religion, belief, age, sex, sexual orientation or gender identity, which in many of the world's regions leads to killings and persecution, especially in conflict situations; stresses that racism, discrimination, xenophobia, religious persecution and related intolerance continue to be a major problem worldwide, leading to rights violations in all spheres of life, including access to education, healthcare, work and access to justice, and that these issues have been further exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic; calls for the EU and its Member States to lead the global fight against antisemitism and welcomes the adoption of the EU strategy to this end; calls on the Commission, the EEAS and EU delegations to develop, in collaboration with the Member States and with input from Parliament, specific local strategies to help fight caste-based discrimination in the countries most affected by it, in dialogue with local representatives and civil society organisations, and to invite them to consultations resulting from EU agreements or instruments, including human rights dialogues;***

Or. en

**Amendment 236**  
**György Hölvényi, Miriam Lexmann**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**10a. Deplores that many countries, despite their international obligations and commitments to protect minorities, are pursuing a policy of forced assimilation of national, ethnic and linguistic minorities by disregarding their fundamental and human rights; calls for the EU and its Member States to provide active support for EU partner countries to respect the fundamental human rights of national, ethnic and linguistic minorities, including their culture, language, religion, traditions and history in order to preserve diversity, linguistic and cultural identity, where these minorities can freely enjoy their individual and community rights, in all areas of education and public life; reiterates the need to fulfil the obligations and commitments based on international treaties and agreements;**

Or. en

**Amendment 237**  
**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**10a. Strongly condemns the discrimination and human rights violations against women with intersectional identities including those belonging to ethnic minorities such as Romani women; underlines that discrimination on any ground leads to rights violations in all spheres of life**

*including access to education, healthcare and in particular sexual and reproductive healthcare, work, access to justice, and reiterates its calls on Member States to adopt and implement strategies, policies and programmes to advance the sexual and reproductive health and rights of marginalised groups of women and to eradicate the systemic, financial, legal, practical and social barriers they face and to ensure sexual and reproductive health and rights are protected and respected everywhere;*

Or. en

**Amendment 238**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 10 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***10a. Highlights the external dimension of the EU Anti-Racism Action Plan, and calls on the Commission, the EEAS and the EU Delegations to engage with partners in third countries to support the development of similar strategies and policies, in dialogue with representative of CSOs and members of marginalised and vulnerable communities, based on the approach outlined in UN OHCHR Guidance Tool on Descent-based Discrimination, and which should cover the range of possible EU action such as the promotion of legislative changes and implementation, visibility plans, support programmes;***

Or. en

**Amendment 239**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**10a. Recalls that the right to self-determination is a human right, enshrined inter alia in the UN Charter and the International Covenants on Civil and Political Rights and on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, as well as an erga omnes obligation, as recalled by the International Court of Justice in its advisory opinion on the Chagos Archipelago of 2019 and the recent rulings of the EU Court of Justice on Western Sahara; calls on the EU and Member States to uphold this human right in their dealings with the relevant territories;**

Or. en

**Amendment 240**

**David Lega, Miriam Lexmann, Andrey Kovatchev, Lukas Mandl**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**10a. Condemns continuous antisemitism and incitement to hate in EU-financed school material; calls on the Commission to condition its financing and reserve an amount until these materials have been removed; demands furthermore that all school material which is not in compliance with UNESCO standards of peace, tolerance, coexistence, and non-violence be removed immediately;**

Or. en



**Amendment 241**  
**Janina Ochojska**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**10a. Deplores the increase in both verbal and physical attacks against migrants and people of different origins, including in EU countries;**

Or. pl

**Amendment 242**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Subheading 5 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***Rights of minorities***

Or. en

**Amendment 243**  
**Heidi Hautala**  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 10 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**10b. Recalls that most of the drivers of violent conflicts worldwide involve minority grievances of exclusion, discrimination and inequalities linked to violations of the human rights of minorities, as observed by the UN Special**

*Rapporteur on minority issues; stresses the need to mainstream the protection of the rights of minorities and the development of protection mechanisms at the level of the United Nations; recalls the obligations of States to protect the rights of their national, ethnic, cultural, religious or linguistic minorities within their respective territories; calls on the Commission to support the protection of the rights of persons belonging to minorities worldwide, including as a priority under the human rights and democracy thematic programme of the EU's Global Instrument;*

Or. en

**Amendment 244**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 10 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*10c. Notes with great concern the scale and consequences of caste-based hierarchies, discrimination and human rights violations, including the denial of access to the legal system or employment, continued segregation, poverty and stigmatisation, and caste-related barriers to the exercise of basic human rights and human development; regrets the lack of determined action on the part of the Commission and EEAS to help eradicate these practices and to act on previous EP recommendations, including the development of an EU policy on caste-based discrimination and specific local strategies to help fight caste-based discrimination in the countries most affected by it;*

**Amendment 245**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 10 d (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***10d. Recommends that the European Parliament address caste-based discrimination in all its relevant Committees and delegations, appoint a focal point on caste-based discrimination, and when visiting Asian and African countries concerned by the issue consult with Dalit organisations and raise caste-based discrimination with local authorities and other counterparts, as well as hold an annual hearing to review EU actions and progress on the occasion of the International Day on Racial Discrimination;***

**Amendment 246**

**Javier Nart**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 11**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

11. Condemns any action or attempt to legalise, instigate, authorise, or consent or acquiesce to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment methods under any circumstances;

11. Condemns any action or attempt to legalise, instigate, authorise, or consent or acquiesce to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment methods under any circumstances; ***condemns all forms of human trafficking, forced labour and modern slavery; reminds the Member States of the need to prosecute and convict***

*those involved in those activities both in their countries of origin and when they traffic groups internationally; stresses the need for comprehensive monitoring and auditing of due regard for human and employment rights when contributions are made to cover the cost in third countries of the services that they need, to prevent those services from being provided in conditions that violate human rights; urges the EU and its Member States to lead action in multinational forums to eradicate all forms of human trafficking, forced labour and modern slavery; asks, given the gravity of these violations, that the EU include a specific clause condemning and expressing the irreconcilability of any form of people trafficking, forced labour and modern slavery among a wide range of groups including women, immigrants and workers, among others, both in current agreements and in those made with third countries;*

Or. es

**Amendment 247**  
**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11**

*Motion for a resolution*

11. Condemns any action or attempt to legalise, instigate, authorise, or consent or acquiesce to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment methods under any circumstances;

*Amendment*

11. Condemns any action or attempt to legalise, instigate, authorise, or consent or acquiesce to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment methods under any circumstances, ***including by state actors and law enforcement, calls upon all countries to adopt and implement effective measures with a victim-oriented approach, to prevent torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment while ensuring accountability***

*for perpetrators; calls upon all countries to systematically review their respective interrogation rules and protocols of conduct for law enforcement with the aim of always being watchful of the correct performance of police actions by respecting and protecting human dignity, as well as maintaining and upholding the human rights of all people;*

Or. en

**Amendment 248**  
**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11**

*Motion for a resolution*

11. Condemns any action or attempt to legalise, instigate, authorise, *or consent* or acquiesce to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment methods under any circumstances;

*Amendment*

11. Condemns any action or attempt to legalise, instigate, authorise, *systematise* or acquiesce to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment methods *such as enforced disappearances, arbitrary arrests and extrajudicial killings* under any circumstances *and deplores the fact that they are still common in many countries; notes with great concern the trend of increasing instances of torture worldwide and widespread impunity for perpetrators;*

Or. es

**Amendment 249**  
**Petras Auštrevičius, Katalin Cseh**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11**

*Motion for a resolution*

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acquiesce to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment methods under any circumstances;

acquiesce to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment methods under any circumstances; ***deplores the existence and inhuman treatment of prisoners of conscience in authoritarian regimes, and calls on the EEAS and the Member States to step up their efforts to secure their unconditional release;***

Or. en

### **Amendment 250**

**Heidi Hautala**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 11**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

11. Condemns any action or attempt to legalise, instigate, authorise, or consent or acquiesce to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment methods under any circumstances;

###### *Amendment*

11. Condemns any action or attempt to legalise, instigate, authorise, or consent or acquiesce to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment methods under any circumstances; ***calls on the EEAS and Commission to support the establishment and functioning of National Preventive Mechanisms in third countries, as well as civil society organizations active in this area;***

Or. en

### **Amendment 251**

**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

#### **Motion for a resolution**

##### **Paragraph 11 a (new)**

###### *Motion for a resolution*

###### *Amendment*

***11a. Calls on the EU to engage in dialogue with third countries to make the***

*improvement of prison conditions a major public policy issue, in particular by tackling the problem of prison overcrowding through the use of alternatives to detention and by reducing the use of pre-trial detention; urges the EU to support the implementation of National Preventive Mechanisms (NPMs) and support CSOs in monitoring places of deprivation of liberty in accordance with the revised EU guidelines on torture;*

Or. en

**Amendment 252**  
**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*11a. Condemns any incidents of torture, inhuman or degrading treatment, enforced disappearances, arbitrary detentions and unlawful killings and deplores the fact that they continue to be common in many countries; notes with great concern the trend of increasing instances of torture worldwide and widespread impunity for its perpetrators; recognises the important role that civil society organisations and human rights defenders play in the fight against torture and other forms of ill-treatment;*

Or. en

**Amendment 253**  
**David Lega, Miriam Lexmann, Andrey Kovatchev, Lukas Mandl**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 11 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***11a. Reaffirms that the credible evidence about birth prevention measures and the separation of Uyghur children from their families amount to crimes against humanity and represent a serious risk of genocide; calls on the Chinese authorities to cease all government-sponsored programmes of forced labour and mass forced sterilisation and to put an immediate end to any measures aimed at preventing births in the Uyghur population;***

Or. en

**Amendment 254**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Engin Eroglu, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 11 a (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***11a. Strongly condemns state-sponsored systems of forced labour and other forms of modern slavery, in particular the exploitation of Uyghur, ethnic Kazakh and Kyrgyz, and other Muslim minority groups, in factories both within and outside of internment camps in the Xinjiang region, as well as the transfer of forced labourers to other Chinese administrative divisions;***

Or. en

**Amendment 255**

**Isabel Santos**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 11 b (new)**



***11b. Reiterates its principled opposition to the death penalty, which is a cruel, inhuman and degrading punishment and is irreversible; stresses that the EU must be relentless in its pursuit of the universal abolition of the death penalty as a major objective of its human rights foreign policy; calls for the EU and its Member States to defend abolition in all international forums and advocate for the widest possible support for this position; encourages the continuing efforts of the UN bodies on the universal abolition of the death penalty, in line with the resolutions of the UN General Assembly; condemns in strong terms the enforcement of blasphemy laws that carry the possibility of the death penalty if convicted across the globe; reiterates that the freedom to choose one's religion, including whether to believe or not to believe at all, remains a fundamental human right that cannot be punished by death or any degrading treatment; calls on all countries that have not yet done so to abolish the death penalty or establish an immediate moratorium as a first step towards its abolition; calls, additionally, on the countries concerned to reduce the list of crimes or offences punishable by death; calls for transparency around death sentences and executions in countries that do not disclose these statistics;***

Or. en

**Amendment 256**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 11 b (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**11b.** *Calls on the EU to engage in dialogue with third countries to make the improvement of prison conditions a major public policy issue, in particular by tackling the problem of prison overcrowding through the use of alternatives to detention; urges the EU to support the implementation of National Preventive Mechanisms (NPMs) and support CSOs in monitoring places of deprivation of liberty in accordance with the revised EU guidelines on torture;*

Or. en

**Amendment 257**

**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 11 c (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

**11c.** *Calls on the EU to encourage third countries to bring their national provisions on judicial guarantees into line with their international commitments (e.g. criminalisation of torture in accordance with the UNCAT);*

Or. en

**Amendment 258**

**Nacho Sánchez Amor**

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 12**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

12. Notes that the right to participate in free and fair elections is not respected in

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Or. en

**Amendment 259**  
**Miguel Urbán Crespo**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 12**

*Motion for a resolution*

12. Notes that the right to participate in free and fair elections is not respected in authoritarian and illiberal regimes; highlights that these regimes conduct fake elections with the aim of entrenching their power, as they lack real political contestation and pluralism; ***reiterates its calls for the EU to explore the introduction of a standing invitation for election observation within the democratic clause in EU agreements, the Generalised Scheme of Preferences and equivalent mechanisms;***

*Amendment*

12. Notes that the right to participate in free and fair elections is not respected in authoritarian and illiberal regimes ***and also in a number of long-established democratic countries across the world***; highlights that these regimes conduct fake elections with the aim of entrenching their power, as they lack real political contestation and pluralism;

Or. en

**Amendment 260**  
**Salima Yenbou, Bernard Guetta, Hilde Vautmans**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 12**

*Motion for a resolution*

12. Notes that the right to participate in free and fair elections is not respected in authoritarian and illiberal regimes; highlights that these regimes conduct fake elections with the aim of entrenching their power, as they lack real political contestation and pluralism; reiterates its calls for the EU to explore the introduction of a standing invitation for election observation within the democratic clause in EU agreements, the Generalised Scheme of Preferences and equivalent mechanisms;

*Amendment*

12. Notes that the right to **actively and passively** participate in free and fair elections is not respected in authoritarian and illiberal regimes; highlights that these regimes conduct fake elections with the aim of entrenching their power, as they lack real political contestation and pluralism; reiterates its calls for the EU to explore the introduction of a standing invitation for election observation within the democratic clause in EU agreements, the Generalised Scheme of Preferences and equivalent mechanisms;

Or. en

**Amendment 261**  
**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 12**

*Motion for a resolution*

12. Notes that the right to participate in free **and** fair elections is not respected in authoritarian and illiberal regimes; highlights that these regimes conduct fake elections with the aim of entrenching their power, as they lack real political contestation and pluralism; reiterates its calls for the EU to explore the introduction of a standing invitation for election observation within the democratic clause in EU agreements, the Generalised Scheme of Preferences and equivalent mechanisms;

*Amendment*

12. Notes that the right to participate in free, fair and **transparent** elections is not respected in authoritarian and illiberal regimes; highlights that these regimes conduct fake elections with the aim of entrenching their power, as they lack real political contestation and pluralism; reiterates its calls for the EU to explore the introduction of a standing invitation for election observation within the democratic clause in EU agreements, the Generalised Scheme of Preferences and equivalent mechanisms;

Or. es

**Amendment 262**  
**Miriam Lexmann, György Hölvényi**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 12**

*Motion for a resolution*

12. Notes that the right to participate in free and fair elections is not respected in authoritarian and *illiberal* regimes; highlights that these regimes conduct fake elections with the aim of entrenching their power, as they lack real political contestation and pluralism; reiterates its calls for the EU to explore the introduction of a standing invitation for election observation within the democratic clause in EU agreements, the Generalised Scheme of Preferences and equivalent mechanisms;

*Amendment*

12. Notes that the right to participate in free and fair elections is not respected in authoritarian and *totalitarian* regimes; highlights that these regimes conduct fake elections with the aim of entrenching their power, as they lack real political contestation, *legitimacy* and pluralism; reiterates its calls for the EU to explore the introduction of a standing invitation for election observation within the democratic clause in EU agreements, the Generalised Scheme of Preferences and equivalent mechanisms;

Or. en

**Amendment 263**  
**Leopoldo López Gil**

**Motion for a resolution**  
**Paragraph 12 – subparagraph 1 (new)**

*Motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

*Highlights the role of the EU election observation missions in the independent and impartial evaluation of the electoral processes that they monitor, highlights the recommendations that they make to improve the integrity and efficacy of future electoral processes; calls for close monitoring of the adoption and implementation of the recommendations of the EU's election observation missions, and for their inclusion as an essential part of the overall framework for relations between the EU and the country in question;*

