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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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on Iran

European Parliament resolution on Iran

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Articles I, II and IV of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons,
 - having regard to the Paris agreement of 15 November 2004 following talks with France, Germany and the UK, supported by the High Representative, on suspension of the uranium processing,
 - having regard to the resolutions of the IAEA Board of Governors and especially its resolution of 24 September 2005,
 - having regard to its previous resolutions on Iran and on proliferation,
 - having regard to Rule 103 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas Iran's policies of concealment of the activities of uranium enrichment could provoke legitimate doubts as to whether the objectives of its nuclear programme are peaceful,
- B. whereas in August this year, after several months' suspension, Iran resumed production at the Uranium Conversion Facility, not respecting the Paris agreement;
- C. whereas Iran has refused proposals made by EU Member States to give up uranium processing in return for economic and technological assistance and cooperation,
- D. whereas the Board of Governors of the International Atomic Energy Agency has stated that Iran had failed to meet its obligations under the NPT Safeguards Agreement, that Iranian authorities did not collaborate sufficiently with the Agency, and that Iran's case should be referred to the Security Council,
- E. whereas Iran has expressed its intent to withdraw from the Non-Proliferation Treaty if the case is referred to the Security Council,
- F. whereas respect for human rights and for the rule of law is both an international obligation and an important factor of confidence-building in international relations,
1. Condemns the decision of the government of the Islamic Republic of Iran to resume the work related to uranium enrichment;

2. Underlines that this programme is not necessary to meet Iran's energy demands and that the development of peaceful nuclear energy programmes does not require the production of enriched uranium;
3. Deplores the lack of positive response to the proposals made by the EU negotiators;
4. Is concerned about Iraq's failure to implement the NPT Safeguard Agreement and its refusal to ratify and implement the Additional Protocol;
5. Is concerned about the possibility of conversion of the enriched materials for military purposes;
6. Urges the government of the Islamic Republic of Iran to re-establish the full suspension of all enrichment-related activities and reprocessing activities;
7. Calls on the Iranian government, in order to re-establish international trust, to provide objective and verifiable guarantees as to the peaceful nature of each nuclear programme, and to strictly respect the Paris agreement's provisions in order not to nullify the few steps so far accomplished;
8. Calls upon the Iranian government to cooperate fully with the IAEA inspectors in order to clarify all details of past Iranian nuclear activities, and to confirm the peaceful nature of the programme;
9. Supports the decision of the EU to stop negotiations with Iran on the country's civilian nuclear energy programme since Iran has resumed work related to uranium enrichment;
10. Calls on the Council to submit the dossier to the UN Security Council and seek sanctions unless Iran completely and unconditionally suspends all activities related to the production of fissile materials;
11. Deplores the serious violations of human rights which are continuing to occur in Iran in such areas as lack of freedom of expression, the use of torture, and discrimination against religious minorities and women;
12. Takes note of the continuous declarations of the Iranian Government concerning the suspension of death sentences for minors and its statements that there have been no more executions for adultery;
13. Calls on the Iranian government to implement the recommendations of the UN Special Rapporteur for Human Rights;
14. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the UN Secretary-General and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran.