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on the 2012 Progress Report on Turkey**Motion for a resolution****Paragraph 47***Motion for a resolution**Amendment*

47. Expresses once again its strong support for the reunification of Cyprus, based on a fair *and* viable settlement *for* both communities; *underlines the urgent need for an agreement between the two communities on how to proceed with the substantive settlement negotiations, so* that the negotiating process, under the auspices of the UN Secretary-General, can soon regain momentum; calls on Turkey to begin withdrawing its forces from Cyprus and to transfer the sealed-off area of Famagusta to the UN in accordance with UNSC Resolution 550 (1984); calls *on* the Republic of Cyprus to open the port of Famagusta, under EU customs supervision, in order to promote a positive climate for the successful solution of the ongoing reunification negotiations, and *to* allow Turkish Cypriots to trade *directly* in a *legal* manner that is acceptable to all;

47. Expresses once again its strong support to the reunification of Cyprus, based on a fair, viable *and comprehensive* settlement *to the benefit of* both communities *based on the relevant UN Security Council resolutions, international law, the principles on which the EU is founded and the EU acquis; emphasises that the resumption of* the negotiating process, under the auspices of the UN Secretary-General, can soon regain momentum; calls on Turkey to *immediately* begin withdrawing its forces from Cyprus and transfer Famagusta to the UN in accordance with UNSC Resolution 550 (1984); calls *for the adoption of the proposal of* the Republic of Cyprus to open the port of Famagusta under EU *auspices* (customs supervision) in order to promote a positive climate for the successful solution of the ongoing reunification negotiations and allow Turkish Cypriots to trade in a manner that is acceptable to all;

Or. en

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Amendment 15

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– having regard to the Negotiating
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Framework for Turkey of 3 October 2005
*and the Declaration of the European
Community and its Member States of 21
September 2005,*

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Amendment 16

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4. Welcomes the Council decision to invite the Commission to take steps towards visa liberalisation in parallel with the signing of the readmission agreement; urges Turkey to sign and implement the readmission agreement without further delay and to ensure that, until this agreement enters into force, existing bilateral agreements are fully implemented; recalls that Turkey is one of the key transit countries for irregular migration to the EU; **acknowledges the steps undertaken by Turkey to prevent irregular migration, and** underlines the important need for Turkey to intensify cooperation with the EU on migration management, the fight against human trafficking, and border controls; stresses, once again, the importance of facilitating access to the EU for business people, academics, students and representatives of civil society from Turkey; supports the efforts of the Commission and the Member States to implement the visa code, to harmonise and simplify visa requirements and to create visa facilitating centres in Turkey; reminds the Member States of their obligations under the association agreement, in line with the ruling of the European Court of Justice of 19 February 2009 in the Soysal case¹;

4. Welcomes the Council decision to invite the Commission to take steps towards visa liberalisation in parallel with the signing of the readmission agreement; urges Turkey to sign and implement the readmission agreement without further delay and to ensure that, until this agreement enters into force, existing bilateral agreements are fully implemented; recalls that Turkey is one of the key transit countries for irregular migration to the EU; underlines the important need for Turkey to intensify cooperation with the EU on migration management, the fight against human trafficking, and border controls; stresses, once again, the importance of facilitating access to the EU for business people, academics, students and representatives of civil society from Turkey; supports the efforts of the Commission and the Member States to implement the visa code, to harmonise and simplify visa requirements and to create visa facilitating centres in Turkey; reminds the Member States of their obligations under the association agreement, in line with the ruling of the European Court of Justice of 19 February 2009 in the Soysal case¹;

Or. en

¹ Case 228/06 *Mehmet Soysal and Ibrahim Savatli v Bundesrepublik Deutschland* [2009] ECR I-01031.

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Amendment 17

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Paragraph 16

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Amendment

16. Encourages Turkey to adopt the Human Rights Action Plan, prepared by the Turkish Ministry of Justice in cooperation with the Council of Europe and based on the case law of the ECtHR, in order to address issues raised in judgments of the ECtHR where Turkey was found to violate the provisions of the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR); supports the Ministry of Justice and the HCoJP in providing judges and prosecutors with human rights training; welcomes the establishment by the HCoJP of new assessment criteria for judges and prosecutors which will reward respect for the provisions of the ECHR and judgments of the ECtHR;

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Amendment 18

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Paragraph 46

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Amendment

46. Emphasises that the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) has been signed by the EU, the 27 Member States and all other candidate countries and that it is part of the *acquis communautaire*; calls, therefore, on the Government of Turkey to sign and ratify the convention without further delay; recalls the full legitimacy of the Republic of Cyprus's exclusive economic zone, in accordance with UNCLOS;

46. Emphasises that the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) has been signed by the EU, the 27 Member States and all other candidate countries and that it is part of the *acquis communautaire*; calls, therefore, on the Government of Turkey to sign and ratify the convention without further delay; recalls the full legitimacy of the Republic of Cyprus's exclusive economic zone, in accordance with UNCLOS; ***regrets that Turkey has continued to act against, and has issued statements threatening retaliation against, oil companies interested in participating in explorations carried out by the Republic of Cyprus in accordance with its sovereign rights;***

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Paragraph 52 a (new)

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Amendment

52a. Regrets that Turkey refused to convene the 70th JPC meeting during the second half of 2012 as planned, thus missing another opportunity to enhance the interparliamentary dialogue between the EU and Turkey;

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Amendment 20

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Paragraph 30 a (new)

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Amendment

30a. Highlights the Commission's evaluation that 'trade union rights for workers and public servants still fall short of meeting the EU and ILO standards', that 'high thresholds for entering into collective bargaining continue to significantly restrict the possibility of collective agreements and consequently impede the full exercise of the right to bargain collectively', and that 'Turkey excessively restricts the right to strike [and] the right to establish or join trade unions as they cannot be set up along professional categories or in certain sectors'; points out that the new trade union legislation aims at 'trade union busting', as about 50 % of all workers might lose their right to be covered by collective agreements and many trade unions would lose their current certification as bargaining partners; calls on the Turkish government to amend its law on trade unions in the civil service adopted in April 2012 and its law on collective labour relations adopted in October 2012 to bring them fully into line with the EU social acquis and ILO standards, in particular the recommendations of the ILO Memorandum of April 2012;

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Amendment 21

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Paragraph 30 b (new)

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Amendment

30b. Strongly condemns the continuing repression of trade union activities as a violation of human rights in Turkey – examples include the adoption of a law in May 2012 to exclude workers in the civil aviation sector from the right to strike and the dismissal of more than 300 airline workers who peacefully protested against this law; criminal prosecutions in February and June 2012 against 73 trade unionists from KESK, the independent confederation of public service unions, who were accused of pursuing ‘subversive activities’ in support of the PKK, and the arrest of another 169 members or officials of KESK in February 2013 on the pretext of suspected support for the banned DHKP party; brutal police attacks on peaceful trade union protests against the draft collective labour relations act in October 2012, and on a peaceful sit-in strike by workers at the Daiyang SK Metal plant located in the European Free Trade Zone of Corlu in January 2013;

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Amendment 22

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Paragraph 52 a (new)

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Amendment

52a. Recommends that the Commission and Member States monitor the current peace process and encourage their Turkish counterparts to make use of foreign expertise in conflict resolution and post-conflict reconciliation; considers that the fight against terrorism and violence should not undermine civil rights – such as the freedom of expression, refugee rights or the right to fair trials – in either the EU Member States or in Turkey; asks the Member States and their authorities to give more weight to peaceful conflict resolution in their dialogues with their Turkish counterparts; considers that that Member States' authorities should help to foster cooperation and trust between conflict parties in Turkey;

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Paragraph 53

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53. Reiterates its condemnation, in the strongest terms, of the continuing terrorist violence by the PKK, which is on the EU list of terrorist organisations, and by all other terrorist organisations; expresses its full solidarity with Turkey in this regard and with the families of the many victims of terrorism; calls on the Member States, in close coordination with the EU counter-terrorism coordinator and Europol, to intensify cooperation with Turkey in the fight against terrorism and organised crime as a source of financing of terrorism; calls on Turkey to adopt a data protection law so that a cooperation agreement can be concluded with Europol, and judicial cooperation with Eurojust and the EU Member States can be further developed; takes the view that the assignment of a Turkish police liaison officer to Europol would help improve bilateral cooperation; welcomes the adoption of legislation on the financing of terrorism in line with the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) recommendations;

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Or. en