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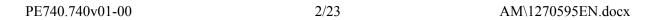
AMENDMENTS 1 - 44

Draft opinion Nils Ušakovs(PE739.657v01-00)

Proposals of the European Parliament for the amendment of the Treaties (2022/2051(INL))

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Amendment 1 Dimitrios Papadimoulis on behalf of The Left Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – point 1

Draft opinion

1. **Notes** that the challenges resulting from recent events, including the COVID-19 crisis, the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine **and** the unprecedented **rise of** energy **costs**, **have** limited the Union's ability to provide itself with the means necessary to attain its objectives and carry through its policies;

Amendment

1. **Stresses** that the challenges resulting from recent events **and their severe socio-economic consequences**, including the COVID-19 crisis, the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine, the unprecedented energy **crisis and skyrocketing inflation rates, have significantly** limited the Union's ability to provide itself with the means necessary to attain its objectives and carry through its policies **as required by the Treaties**;

Or. en

Amendment 2 Anna-Michelle Asimakopoulou, José Manuel Fernandes

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – point 1

Draft opinion

1. Notes that the challenges resulting from recent events, including the COVID-19 crisis, the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine and the unprecedented rise of energy costs, have limited the Union's ability to provide itself with the means necessary to attain its objectives and carry through its policies;

Amendment

1. Notes that the challenges resulting from recent events, including the COVID-19 crisis, the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine and the unprecedented rise of energy costs, have limited the Union's ability to provide itself with the means necessary to attain its objectives and carry through its policies; notes that inflation has affected the purchasing power of the budget;

Or. en

Amendment 3 Damian Boeselager on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – point 1

Draft opinion

1. Notes that the challenges resulting from recent events, including the COVID-19 crisis, the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine and the unprecedented rise of energy costs, have limited the Union's ability to provide itself with the means necessary to attain its objectives and carry through its policies;

Amendment

1. Notes that the challenges resulting from recent events, including the COVID-19 crisis, the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine and the unprecedented rise of energy costs *and inflation coupled with a cost of living crisis*, have limited the Union's ability to provide itself with the means necessary to attain its objectives *in particular in a timely manner* and carry through its policies;

Or. en

Amendment 4
Dimitrios Papadimoulis
on behalf of The Left Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – point 1 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1a. Highlights the proposals included in the final report on the final outcome of the Conference on the Future of Europe, which was presented to the Presidents of the three institutions on 9 May 2022; notes that some recommendations could be followed up in the framework of the current Treaties while some of them require amendments to the Treaties to be fully implemented; underlines that the three institutions have committed to following up effectively the conclusions of the Conference;

Or. en

Amendment 5
Dimitrios Papadimoulis
on behalf of The Left Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – point 1 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

1b. Recalls that the European Parliament has pointed out that the Treaties need to be amended urgently and that it has already submitted to the Council proposals for the amendment of the Treaties under the ordinary revision procedure laid down in Article 48 TEU^{1a}; recalls specifically its proposal to provide Parliament with full co-decision rights on the EU budget;

Or. en

Amendment 6 Andor Deli, Tamás Deutsch, András Gyürk, László Trócsányi

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – point 2

Draft opinion

2. Calls therefore for the revision of the TFEU, in particular its Title II, to ensure that the Union is able to react agilely and effectively to challenges and to achieve better democratic accountability of the Union budget, notably by reinforcing Parliament's role in budgetary decision-making and scrutiny;

Amendment

2. Emphasises, however, that the framework for the formulation of the EU's budgetary policy, its institutions and its instruments should be aligned with the framework provided by the current Treaties;

^{1a} European Parliament resolution of 9 June 2022 on the call for a Convention for the revision of the Treaties, Texts adopted, P9_TA(2022)0141

Amendment 7 **Dimitrios Papadimoulis**on behalf of The Left Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – point 2

Draft opinion

2. Calls therefore for the revision of the TFEU, in particular its Title II, to ensure that the Union is able to react agilely and effectively to challenges and to achieve better democratic accountability of the Union budget, notably by reinforcing Parliament's role *in* budgetary decision-making and scrutiny;

Amendment

2. Calls therefore for the urgent revision of the TFEU, in particular its Title II, to ensure that the Union is able to fulfil its objectives and commitments, including under the European Pillar of Social Rights and the European Green Deal, as well as to react agilely and effectively to challenges and to achieve better democratic accountability and transparency of the Union budget, notably by promoting the Community method and reinforcing Parliament's role as a fully equal arm of the budgetary authority in all aspects of budgetary decision-making and scrutiny;

Or. en

Amendment 8 Charles Goerens, Olivier Chastel, Vlad Gheorghe

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – point 2

Draft opinion

2. Calls therefore for the revision of the TFEU, in particular its Title II, to ensure that the Union is able to react agilely and effectively to challenges and to achieve better democratic accountability of the Union budget, notably by *reinforcing Parliament's role in* budgetary *decision-making and scrutiny*;

Amendment

2. Calls therefore for the revision of the TFEU, in particular its Title II, to ensure that the Union is able to react agilely and effectively to challenges and to achieve better democratic accountability of the Union budget, notably by *giving to Parliament full* budgetary *powers*;

Amendment 9 Jonás Fernández

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – point 2

Draft opinion

2. Calls therefore for the revision of the TFEU, in particular its Title II, to ensure that the Union is able to react agilely and effectively to challenges and to achieve better democratic accountability of the Union budget, notably by reinforcing Parliament's role in budgetary decision-making and scrutiny;

Amendment

2. Calls therefore for the revision of the TFEU, in particular its Title II, to ensure that the Union is able to react agilely and effectively to challenges and to achieve better democratic accountability of the Union budget, notably by reinforcing Parliament's role in budgetary decision-making and scrutiny, in particular on the revenue side, since an increasing proportion of revenue is levied directly from natural and legal persons via the new own resources;

Or. en

Amendment 10 Margarida Marques, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – point 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Until Treaty revision takes place, calls for the full use of the TFEU possibilities with a view to improving Council decision-making and ensuring that the Union is able to react in a more efficient and transparent way to challenges, while achieving greater democratic accountability in respect of the Union budget; calls, in that regard, on the European Council to activate the passerelle clause in Article 312(2) TFEU to allow for the adoption of the MFF

Regulation by qualified majority;

Or. en

Amendment 11 Victor Negrescu

Draft opinion Paragraph - - point 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Stresses the importance of implementing the recommendations made by the Conference on the Future of Europe with regard to building European shared competences in the fields of education and health, as well as the importance of amending Articles 4 and 6 of the TFEU correspondingly; stresses further that the exercise of those competences by the Union should not result in Member States being prevented from exercising their own competences, and underlines, in this regard, the importance of consulting all Member States:

Or. en

Amendment 12 Andor Deli, Tamás Deutsch, András Gyürk, László Trócsányi

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – point 2 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2a. Calls for respecting the Treaties and strengthening the adherence to the principles of conferral, subsidiarity and proportionality;

Or. hu

Amendment 13 Andor Deli, Tamás Deutsch, András Gyürk, László Trócsányi

Draft opinion Paragraph 1 – point 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. Calls for the disclosure of all costs incurred to date in organising the Conference on the Future of Europe, the EU budget lines from which the funds were drawn and the way in which they were distributed among the institutions concerned, as well as all costs related to the follow-up to the Conference, including the feedback event;

Or. hu

Amendment 14 Victor Negrescu

Draft opinion Paragraph - - point 2 b (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

2b. With a view to ensuring that the decision-making process is coherent at Union level and that it reflects the voice and expectations of European citizens, it is important that Council decisions do not disregard the recommendations of the Commission and of the Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 15 Victor Negrescu

Draft opinion Paragraph - – point 2 c (new) Draft opinion

Amendment

2c. Stresses that the European Parliament, as the institution that represents the voice of the citizens in the EU decision-making process, must be granted the right to initiate legislation;

Or. en

Amendment 16 Bogdan Rzońca, Zbigniew Kuźmiuk

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 3

Draft opinion

Amendment

3. Article 122 TFEU shall be amended to lay down a single procedure whereby the Council, acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament, may adopt temporary measures to address severe or exceptional economic situations, without prejudice to other procedures provided for in the Treaties;

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Or. pl

Amendment 17 Andor Deli, Tamás Deutsch, András Gyürk, László Trócsányi

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 3

Draft opinion

Amendment

3. Article 122 TFEU shall be amended to lay down a single procedure whereby the Council, acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament, may adopt temporary measures to address severe or

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exceptional economic situations, without prejudice to other procedures provided for in the Treaties:

Or. hu

Amendment 18
Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 3

Draft opinion

3. Article 122 TFEU shall be amended to lay down a single procedure whereby the Council, acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament, may adopt temporary measures to address severe or exceptional economic situations, without prejudice to other procedures provided for in the Treaties;

Amendment

3. Article 122 TFEU shall be amended to lay down a single procedure whereby the Council and the European Parliament, acting in accordance with a special legislative procedure modelled after the procedure laid down in Article 314 TFEU, with a similar timeframe, may adopt temporary measures to address severe or exceptional economic situations, without prejudice to other procedures provided for in the Treaties;

Or. en

Amendment 19
Dimitrios Papadimoulis
on behalf of The Left Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 3

Draft opinion

3. Article 122 TFEU shall be amended to *lay down a single procedure whereby the Council, acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of* the European Parliament, may adopt temporary measures to address severe or exceptional economic situations, without prejudice to

Amendment

3. Article 122 TFEU shall be amended to *provide that* the European Parliament *and the Council, acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure*, may adopt temporary measures to address severe or exceptional economic *or social* situations, without prejudice to other

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other procedures provided for in the Treaties;

procedures provided for in the Treaties; the Council shall act by qualified majority;

Or. en

Amendment 20 Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Margarida Marques

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 3

Draft opinion

3. Article 122 TFEU shall be amended to lay down a single procedure whereby the Council, acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament, may adopt temporary measures to address severe or exceptional economic situations, without prejudice to other procedures provided for in the Treaties;

Amendment

3. Article 122 TFEU shall be amended to *provide for the application of the ordinary legislative* procedure *in the adoption of* temporary measures to address severe or exceptional economic situations, without prejudice to other procedures provided for in the Treaties;

Or. en

Amendment 21
Dimitrios Papadimoulis
on behalf of The Left Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. A new Article 122a TFEU shall be inserted to establish a central fiscal capacity and a permanent special instrument over and above the MFF ceilings for the EU budget to better adapt and quickly react to crises and their social and economic effects; the decisions for the establishment and the relevant implementing measures shall be adopted by the European Parliament and the Council acting in accordance with the

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ordinary legislative procedure; the Council shall act by qualified majority;

Or. en

Amendment 22
Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 3 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

3a. Provisions as regards the revenues shall allow for multiple sources of funding, including the generation of own resources via, amongst others, the ability to raise taxes and through common borrowing activities, and allowing for the financing for a structural fund though borrowing activities;

Or. en

Amendment 23 Andor Deli, Tamás Deutsch, András Gyürk, László Trócsányi

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament;

Or. hu

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Amendment 24 Bogdan Rzońca, Zbigniew Kuźmiuk

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 4

Draft opinion

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4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament;

Or. pl

Amendment 25 Joachim Kuhs, Eric Minardi

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 4

Draft opinion

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament;

Amendment

Amendment

4. Article 311 TFEU shall not be amended; the Council, acting in accordance with a special legislative procedure, shall unanimously and after consulting the European Parliament adopt a decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union;

Or. en

Amendment 26 Anna-Michelle Asimakopoulou, José Manuel Fernandes

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Draft opinion

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be *amended* so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the Council acting by *qualified majority* after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament;

Amendment

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be *maintained* so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the Council acting by *unanimity* after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 27
Dimitrios Papadimoulis
on behalf of The Left Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 4

Draft opinion

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority *after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament*;

Amendment

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that (a) the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the European Parliament and the Council acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure and (b) rebates and other correction mechanisms are permanently abolished. The Council shall act by qualified majority;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 4

Draft opinion

Amendment

- 4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament;
- 4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the Council and the European Parliament acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure.

 Implementing measures shall be established in Council Regulations;

Or. en

Amendment 29 Jonás Fernández

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 4

Draft opinion

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the *Council acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the* European Parliament;

Amendment

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the European Parliament and the Council acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure;

Or. en

Amendment 30 Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Margarida Marques

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 4

Draft opinion

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are

Amendment

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are

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adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament;

adopted in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure;

Or. en

Amendment 31 Charles Goerens, Olivier Chastel, Vlad Gheorghe

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 4

Draft opinion

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union *and the implementing measures for that system* are adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament;

Amendment

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union are adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament on the one hand, and the implementing measures of the Own Resources Decision being adopted in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure, on the other hand;

Or. en

Amendment 32 Victor Negrescu

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 4

Draft opinion

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament;

Amendment

4. Article 311 TFEU shall be amended so that the decision laying down the provisions relating to the system of own resources of the Union and the implementing measures for that system are adopted by the Council acting by qualified majority after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament. With the objective of reinforcing Parliament's role in the

decision-making process, Parliament and Council shall act as co-legislators endowed with equal powers in reference to the system of own resources;

Or. en

Amendment 33 Bogdan Rzońca, Zbigniew Kuźmiuk

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 5

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. Article 312(2) TFEU shall be amended so that the regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework is adopted by the European Parliament and the Council acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure;

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Or. pl

Amendment 34 Andor Deli, Tamás Deutsch, András Gyürk, László Trócsányi

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 5

Draft opinion

Amendment

5. Article 312(2) TFEU shall be amended so that the regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework is adopted by the European Parliament and the Council acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure;

Or. hu

Amendment 35 Joachim Kuhs, Eric Minardi

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 5

Draft opinion

5. Article 312(2) TFEU shall be amended so that the regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework is adopted by the European Parliament and the Council acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure;

Amendment

5. Article 312(2) TFEU should not be amended; the Council shall act unanimously after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament, which shall be given by a majority of its component members:

Or. en

Amendment 36
Dimitrios Papadimoulis
on behalf of The Left Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 5

Draft opinion

5. Article 312(2) TFEU shall be amended so that the regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework is adopted by the European Parliament and the Council acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure;

Amendment

5. Article 312(2) TFEU shall be amended so that the regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework is adopted by the European Parliament and the Council acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure. *The Council shall act by qualified majority*;

Or. en

Amendment 37 Victor Negrescu

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 5

Draft opinion

Amendment

- 5. Article 312(2) TFEU shall be amended so that the regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework is adopted by the European Parliament and the Council acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure;
- 5. Article 312(2) TFEU shall be amended so that the regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework is adopted by the European Parliament and the Council acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure. The duration of the MFF should be aligned with the political cycle of the European legislature, in order to strengthen democratic legitimacy and scrutiny;

Or. en

Amendment 38

Dimitrios Papadimoulis
on behalf of The Left Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 5 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

5a. A new paragraph 2a shall be added to Article 312 TFEU to stipulate that each multiannual financial framework shall encompass, as horizontal principles, the objectives of climate and biodiversity protection, social convergence and gender equality. Specific spending targets shall be set for expenditure contributing to climate protection, halting and reversing the decline of biodiversity, promoting upward social convergence and gender equality, as well as rights and equal opportunities for all;

Or. en

Amendment 39 Andor Deli, Tamás Deutsch, András Gyürk, László Trócsányi

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 6

Draft opinion

Amendment

6. Article 312(3) TFEU shall be amended to clarify that commitment appropriations are to be included into categories of expenditure, and hence subject to annual ceilings, only if they relate to Union policies or the corresponding administrative expenditure, while other financial means to allow the Union to fulfil its legal obligations in respect of third parties are not to be included into categories or subject to ceilings.

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Or. hu

Amendment 40 Bogdan Rzońca, Zbigniew Kuźmiuk

Draft opinion
-Article 2, paragraph 6

Draft opinion

Amendment

6. Article 312(3) TFEU shall be amended to clarify that commitment appropriations are to be included into categories of expenditure, and hence subject to annual ceilings, only if they relate to Union policies or the corresponding administrative expenditure, while other financial means to allow the Union to fulfil its legal obligations in respect of third parties are not to be included into categories or subject to ceilings.

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Or. pl

Amendment 41
Dimitrios Papadimoulis
on behalf of The Left Group

Draft opinion

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Paragraph 2 – point 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. A new paragraph 3a shall be added to Article 312 TFEU to stipulate that the appropriations for the repayment of permanent or temporary instruments to address severe or exceptional economic or social situations and their effects are entered in the Union budget over and above the MFF ceilings;

Or. en

Amendment 42 Margarida Marques, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. Article 322(2) TFEU shall be amended to clarify the methods and procedure whereby the budget revenue provided under the arrangements relating to the Union's own resources is to be made available to the Commission, and to determine the measures to be applied, if need be, to meet cash requirements. That amendment shall be adopted by the European Parliament and the Council acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure;

Or. en

Amendment 43 Joachim Kuhs, Eric Minardi, Jean-François Jalkh, Valentino Grant, Matteo Gazzini

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

Article 325(4) TFEU shall be 6a. amended to impose full budgetary accountability of the NGOs funded by the EU budget and them being submitted to the annual discharge procedure. According to the "ECA Special report 35/2018: Transparency of EU funds implemented by NGOs, more effort needed", in 2014-2017 the European Commission committed an estimated €11.3 billion for implementation by NGOs in many different EU policy areas such as external action, but the level of transparency in respect of the funds implemented by the NGOs is very limited;

Or. en

Amendment 44

Damian Boeselager
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft opinion Paragraph 2 – point 6 a (new)

Draft opinion

Amendment

6a. To formalise and strengthen the democratic governance of the Eurozone and the accountability of the Eurogroup, the role of a dedicated Economic and Finance Commissioner shall be set up;

Or. en