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Recommendations for reform of the European Parliament’s rules on transparency, integrity, accountability and anti-corruption (2023/2034(INI))
AM_Com_NonLegReport
Amendment 222
Aurélia Beigneux, Anna Bonfrisco, Nicolaus Fest, Jean-Paul Garraud

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

17a. Stresses the important role that nationality plays in discriminatory political decisions; calls on Parliament to require Members to publish all their nationalities and to be subject to close scrutiny when they are in charge of a file which could give rise to a conflict of interest on account of their nationalities;

Or. fr

Amendment 223
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. Notes that the APPF should be strengthened in terms of staff and resources with the aim of enhancing its scrutiny capacity and promoting cooperation with the Member States for flagging potential cases of illicit funding;

Amendment

18. Is of the opinion that the APPF should be strengthened in terms of staff and resources with the aim of enhancing its scrutiny capacity and promoting cooperation with the Member States for flagging potential cases of illicit funding; recommends that the APPF should make use of the data provided by Very Large Online Platforms (VLOPs) in advertisement libraries and soon a European registry for political advertisements to detect illicit funding and influence campaigns;

Or. en
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

19. Highlights the importance of promoting full transparency concerning the revenues and expenditures for European Parliament election campaigns by national parties;

Amendment

19. Highlights the importance of promoting full transparency concerning the revenues and expenditures for European Parliament election campaigns by national parties; in this context calls for common minimum EU rules on political campaigning and political party financing, also from third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 225
Benoît Lutgen, Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

19 a. Believes that adequate public funding of political parties, a limitation of private funding and a ban on funding from abroad as well as a limitation of their expenditure, especially during the election period, make it possible to limit the risks of foreign interference through political parties;

Amendment

19 a. Believes that adequate public funding of political parties, a limitation of private funding and a ban on funding from abroad as well as a limitation of their expenditure, especially during the election period, make it possible to limit the risks of foreign interference through political parties;

Or. en

Amendment 226
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)
19 a. Commits to ensuring full transparency of the exact amounts of MEPs’ side income and prohibiting any external financing of MEPs’ and groups’ staff; requests that the Commission urgently put forward a proposal on this matter;

Or. en

Amendment 227
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Stresses that missions to non-EU countries can be used as an opportunity to exert influence on MEPs; recalls that mandatory, dedicated security briefings focused on foreign interference risks, tailored to the destination country, should be given to MEPs before any missions; underlines the need to better protect MEPs and Parliament staff against cyberattacks and hacking when they travel on missions to non-EU countries;

Amendment

20. Stresses that missions to non-EU countries can be used as an opportunity to compromise or establish improper influence over MEPs; recalls that mandatory, dedicated security briefings focused on foreign interference risks, tailored to the destination country, should be given to MEPs before any missions; underlines the need to better protect MEPs and Parliament staff against cyberattacks and hacking when they travel on missions to non-EU countries;

Or. en

Amendment 228
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Stresses that missions to non-EU countries can be used as an opportunity to exert influence on MEPs; recalls that mandatory, dedicated security briefings focused on foreign interference risks,

Amendment

20. Stresses that missions to non-EU countries can be used as an opportunity to exert influence on MEPs; recalls that mandatory, dedicated security briefings focused on foreign and integrity briefings focused on foreign
Amendment 229
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

20. Stresses that missions to non-EU countries can be used as an opportunity to exert influence on MEPs; recalls that mandatory, dedicated security briefings focused on foreign interference risks, tailored to the destination country, should be given to MEPs before any missions; underlines the need to better protect MEPs and Parliament staff against cyberattacks and hacking when they travel on missions to non-EU countries;
behalf of Parliament;

(b) during the mission, and particularly during meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

Amendment 231
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

21. Proposes strengthening the rules regarding official missions carried out on behalf of Parliament, in particular:

(a) only the chair of the official mission should be allowed to speak publicly on behalf of Parliament;

(b) during the mission, and particularly during meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

Amendment 232
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution
Amendment
21. Proposes strengthening the rules regarding official missions carried out on behalf of Parliament, in particular:

(a) only the chair of the official mission should be allowed to speak publicly on behalf of Parliament;

(b) during the mission, and particularly during meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

Amendment 233
Vladimír Bilčík, Lukas Mandl, David Lega, Benoît Lutgen, Andrey Kovatchev, Sabine Verheyen, Javier Zarzalejos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – introductory part

21. Proposes strengthening the rules regarding official missions carried out on behalf of Parliament, in particular:

21. Underlines that the primary responsibility for nominating MEPs to functions and missions lies with political groups in the European Parliament and calls for responsible allocation of seats to concrete MEPs who demonstrate competence and solid expertise; proposes strengthening the rules regarding official missions carried out on behalf of Parliament, in particular:

Amendment 234
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – introductory part
21. Proposes strengthening the rules regarding official missions carried out on behalf of Parliament, *in particular:* 

Or. en

Amendment 235
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point a

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point a

Or. en

Amendment 236
Sabine Verheyen, Norbert Lins, Daniel Caspary, Monika Hohlmeier, Ralf Seekatz, Axel Voss, Marion Walsmann, Karolin Braunsberger-Reinhold, Marlene Mortler, Christine Schneider

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point a

Or. en

Amendment 237
Morten Løkkegaard, Abir Al-Sahlani, Petras Aušreliūnas, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth, Bart Groothuis
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point a

(a) only the chair of the official mission should be allowed to speak publicly on behalf of Parliament;

Amendment

(a) only the chair of the official mission should be allowed to speak publicly on behalf of Parliament; while continually ensuring MEPs right to speak on their personal behalf;

Or. en

Amendment 238
Benoît Lutgen, Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point a

(a) only the chair of the official mission should be allowed to speak publicly on behalf of Parliament;

Amendment

(a) only the chair of the official mission should be allowed to speak publicly on behalf of the whole of Parliament in defending the positions adopted by it;

Or. en

Amendment 239
Lukas Mandl

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point a

(a) only the chair of the official mission should be allowed to speak publicly on behalf of Parliament;

Amendment

(a) the chair of the official mission should primarily have the privilege to speak publicly on behalf of Parliament;

Or. en

Amendment 240
Aurélia Beigneux, Nicolaus Fest, Balázs Hidvéghi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point b

(b) during the mission, and particularly during meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

Or. fr

Amendment 241
Beata Szydło, Ryszard Czarnecki, Jorge Buxadé Villalba, Rob Rooker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point b

(b) during the mission, and particularly during meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

Or. en

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

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point b

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Amendment 243
Benoît Lutgen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point b

(b) during the mission, and particularly during meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

(b) during the mission, and particularly during meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should clearly explain that they are speaking only on behalf of their group or on their own behalf if they defend positions different from those of the president of the mission or those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be called to order by the chair of the mission. In the event of a serious violation of this rule or repeat violations, they may be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

Amendment 244
Morten Løkkegaard, Abir Al-Sahlani, Petras Aušrevičius, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth, Bart Groothuis, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point b

(b) during the mission, and particularly during meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;
during meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions; during meetings with foreign representatives and during possible interviews, other MEPs shall consistently and routinely ensure that it is clearly stated and appears publicly that they are not speaking on behalf of the Parliament if they espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

Amendment 245
Sabine Verheyen, Norbert Lins, Daniel Caspary, Monika Hohlmeier, Ralf Seekatz, Axel Voss, Marion Walsmann, Karolin Braunsberger-Reinhold, Marlene Mortler, Christine Schneider

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point b

(b) during the mission, and particularly during meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

(b) during the mission, and particularly during official meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes or agreed with the delegation prior to the mission; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

Or. en

Amendment 246
Laura Ferrara, Sabrina Pignedoli, Maria Angela Danzi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Mario Furore, Tiziana Beghin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 – point b

(b) during the mission, and particularly during meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

(b) during official meetings with
particularly during meetings with foreign representatives, other MEPs should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

foreign representatives, other MEPs taking part in the mission should not be allowed to espouse different positions to those adopted by Parliament during the most recent votes; MEPs not adhering to this rule should be barred from participating in upcoming missions;

Or it

Amendment 247
Aurélia Beigneux, Nicolaus Fest

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

22. Recalls the importance of election observation missions in providing relevant information and issuing specific recommendations to make the electoral system more resilient and help counter foreign interference in electoral processes; believes that Parliament should continue the practice of barring unauthorised, unofficial election observation by individual MEPs; stresses that MEPs should only participate in missions decided and authorised by the Conference of Presidents; recalls the establishment of the Democracy Support and Election Coordination Group procedure for ‘cases of individual unofficial election observation by Members of the European Parliament’ (adopted on 13 December 2018), which allows for the exclusion of MEPs from Parliament’s official election observation delegations for the duration of the parliamentary term; urges Parliament’s administration to adopt stricter sanctions, including substantial fines and other restrictive measures, against MEPs who participate in unofficial electoral missions, as well as those who, while participating in Parliament’s authorised observation missions, do not strictly respect the
applicable rules;

Amendment 248
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

22. Recalls the importance of election observation missions in providing relevant information and issuing specific recommendations to make the electoral system more resilient and help counter foreign interference in electoral processes; believes that Parliament should continue the practice of barring unauthorised, unofficial election observation by individual MEPs; stresses that MEPs should only participate in missions decided and authorised by the Conference of Presidents; recalls the establishment of the Democracy Support and Election Coordination Group procedure for ‘cases of individual unofficial election observation by Members of the European Parliament’ (adopted on 13 December 2018), which allows for the exclusion of MEPs from Parliament’s official election observation delegations for the duration of the parliamentary term; urges Parliament’s administration to adopt stricter sanctions, including substantial fines and other restrictive measures, against MEPs who participate in unofficial electoral missions, as well as those who, while participating in Parliament’s authorised observation missions, do not strictly respect the applicable rules;
the obstruction of legitimate international political activities;

Or. en

Amendment 249
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

22. Recalls the importance of election observation missions in providing relevant information and issuing specific recommendations to make the electoral system more resilient and help counter foreign interference in electoral processes; believes that Parliament should continue the practice of barring unauthorised, unofficial election observation by individual MEPs; stresses that MEPs should only participate in missions decided and authorised by the Conference of Presidents; recalls the establishment of the Democracy Support and Election Coordination Group procedure for ‘cases of individual unofficial election observation by Members of the European Parliament’ (adopted on 13 December 2018), which allows for the exclusion of MEPs from Parliament’s official election observation delegations for the duration of the parliamentary term; urges Parliament’s administration to adopt stricter sanctions, including substantial fines and other restrictive measures, against MEPs who participate in unofficial electoral missions, as well as those who, while participating in Parliament’s authorised observation missions, do not strictly respect the applicable rules;
Amendment 250
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Insists that individual trips undertaken by MEPs are an integral part of their freedom of mandate; reiterates its call for mandatory transparency rules for trips by officials of the EU institutions that are paid for foreign countries and entities, with the details to be provided including, but not being limited to, the name of the paying agent, a list of expenditure and the justification; recalls that such organised trips must not be considered official Parliament delegations and calls for the MEPs involved in such trips to avoid any confusion in that respect, and for strict sanctions for the failure to do so; believes that similar rules should be established for trips made by APAs or political group staff;

Amendment

23. Insists that individual trips undertaken by MEPs are an integral part of their freedom of mandate; reiterates its call for mandatory transparency rules for trips by officials of the EU institutions that are paid for foreign countries and entities, with the details to be provided including, but not being limited to, the name of the paying agent, a list of expenditure and the justification; recalls that such organised trips must not be considered official Parliament delegations and calls for the MEPs involved in such trips to avoid any confusion in that respect, and for strict sanctions for the failure to do so; believes that similar rules should be established for trips made by APAs or political group staff; calls for adequate measures to ensure that costs for legitimate travel to third countries related to the mandate can be covered by the relevant EU institution;

Or. en

Amendment 251
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Insists that individual trips undertaken by MEPs are an integral part of their freedom of mandate; reiterates its call for mandatory transparency rules for trips by officials of the EU institutions that are paid for foreign countries and entities, with the details to be provided including, but not

Amendment

23. Insists that individual trips undertaken by MEPs are an integral part of their freedom of mandate; reiterates its call for paid trips by third countries to be subject to the prior approval of a dedicated body of the European Parliament, and mandatory transparency
being limited to, the name of the paying agent, a list of expenditure and the justification; recalls that such organised trips must not be considered official Parliament delegations and calls for the MEPs involved in such trips to avoid any confusion in that respect, and for strict sanctions for the failure to do so; believes that similar rules should be established for trips made by APAs or political group staff;

rules for trips by officials of the EU institutions that are paid for foreign countries and entities, with the details to be provided including, but not being limited to, the name of the paying agent, a list of expenditure and the justification; recalls that such organised trips must not be considered official Parliament delegations and calls for the MEPs involved in such trips to avoid any confusion in that respect, and for strict sanctions for the failure to do so; believes that similar rules should be established for trips made by APAs or political group staff;

Amendment 252
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

23. Insists that individual trips undertaken by MEPs are an integral part of their freedom of mandate; reiterates its call for mandatory transparency rules for trips by officials of the EU institutions that are paid for foreign countries and entities, with the details to be provided including, but not being limited to, the name of the paying agent, a list of expenditure and the justification; recalls that such organised trips must not be considered official Parliament delegations and calls for the MEPs involved in such trips to avoid any confusion in that respect, and for strict sanctions for the failure to do so; believes that similar rules should be established for trips made by APAs or political group staff;

Amendment

23. Insists that individual trips undertaken by MEPs are an integral part of their freedom of mandate; reiterates its call to prohibit trips by officials of the EU institutions that are paid for foreign countries and entities; recalls that such organised trips must not be considered official Parliament delegations and calls for the MEPs involved in such trips to avoid any confusion in that respect, and for strict sanctions for the failure to do so; believes that similar rules should be established for trips made by APAs or political group staff; considers that missions undertaken by a member in his/her capacity of rapporteur can always be considered as official;
Amendment 253
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Considers that Parliament must give absolute priority to the work of its official delegations in relation to non-EU countries; considers that MEPs acting counter to this principle should face consequences, including substantial fines and other restrictive measures;

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 254
Benoît Lutgen, Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Motion for a resolution

24. Considers that Parliament must give absolute priority to the work of its official delegations in relation to non-EU countries; considers however that the freedom of mandate of MEPs allows them to take positions, enter in relations or act in connection with third countries when they are not members of the involved delegations but that MEPs must clearly explain that they act only in their own name, especially if they defend positions different from those adopted by the European Parliament; considers that MEPs should be sanctioned in case of a serious or repeated violation of this principle of transparency;

Amendment

24. Considers that Parliament must give absolute priority to the work of its official delegations in relation to non-EU countries; considers however that the freedom of mandate of MEPs allows them to take positions, enter in relations or act in connection with third countries when they are not members of the involved delegations but that MEPs must clearly explain that they act only in their own name, especially if they defend positions different from those adopted by the European Parliament; considers that MEPs should be sanctioned in case of a serious or repeated violation of this principle of transparency;

Or. en

Amendment 255
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

24. Considers that Parliament must give absolute priority to the work of its official delegations in relation to non-EU countries; considers that MEPs acting counter to this principle should face consequences, including substantial fines and other restrictive measures;

Amendment

24. Considers that Parliament must give absolute priority to the work of its official delegations in relation to non-EU countries; considers that MEPs acting counter to this principle should face consequences, including substantial fines and other restrictive measures; calls, in this regard, for the urgent streamlining of the parliamentary delegations, their role and the scope of their action, and for them to always act in absolute coherence with the other parliamentary bodies responsible for determining the European Union's external action;

Or. it

Amendment 256
Vladimír Bilčík, Lukas Mandl, David Lega, Sunčana Glavak, Benoît Lutgen, Sabine Verheyen, Javier Zarzalejos, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

24. Considers that Parliament must give absolute priority to the work of its official delegations in relation to non-EU countries; considers that MEPs acting counter to this principle should face consequences, including substantial fines and other restrictive measures;

Amendment

24. Considers that Parliament must give absolute priority to the work of its official delegations in relation to non-EU countries; calls for the enforcement of rules that disallow any activities that could undermine or adversely interfere with official European Parliament activities - particularly when it comes to interaction with third countries; considers that MEPs acting counter to this principle should face consequences, including substantial fines and other restrictive measures;
Amendment 257
Aurélie Beigneux, Nicolas Fest, Jean-Paul Garraud

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 24

Amendment

24. Considers that Parliament must give absolute priority to the work of its official delegations in relation to non-EU countries; considers that MEPs acting counter to this principle should face consequences, including substantial fines and other restrictive measures;

Motion for a resolution

24. Considers that Parliament must give absolute priority to the work of its official delegations in relation to non-EU countries; calls on MEPs to comply with this principle;

Amendment 258
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

Amendment

25. Condemns the use of some informal friendship groups as entry points for foreign interference; highlights, furthermore, that some friendship groups have had a detrimental effect on official Parliament bodies and the reputation and consistency of Parliament’s actions; calls, therefore, for a ban on friendship groups with non-EU countries, while recognising that friendship groups should continue to exist, on a case-by-case basis, for activities relating to certain non-sovereign subregions or local persecuted minorities for which an official Parliament delegation does not exist; underlines that any such exceptions should be contingent on official declarations being filed in an ad hoc manner;

Motion for a resolution

25. Condemns the use of some informal friendship groups as entry points for foreign interference; highlights, furthermore, that some friendship groups have had a detrimental effect on official Parliament bodies and the reputation and consistency of Parliament’s actions; calls, therefore, for a ban on friendship groups with non-EU countries for which there are already official Parliament delegations, while recognising that friendship groups should continue to exist, on a case-by-case basis, for activities relating to certain non-sovereign territories, persecuted minorities or partners for which an official Parliament delegation does not exist; underlines that any such exceptions should
transparency register, to feature the name of all the MEPs and stakeholders involved, as well as all the meetings held; be contingent on official declarations being filed in the transparency register for intergroups and other informal groups maintained by the Quaestors, to feature the name of all the MEPs and stakeholders involved, as well as all the meetings held; considers that friendship groups shall publically declare any financial or substantive support, including exact amounts and assistance provided by third parties;

Or. en

Amendment 259
Vladimír Bilčík, Lukas Mandl, Sunčana Glavak, Benoît Lutgen, Sabine Verheyen, Javier Zarzalejos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

25. Condemns the use of some informal friendship groups as entry points for foreign interference; highlights, furthermore, that some friendship groups have had a detrimental effect on official Parliament bodies and the reputation and consistency of Parliament’s actions; calls, therefore, for a ban on friendship groups with non-EU countries, while recognising that friendship groups should continue to exist, on a case-by-case basis, for activities relating to certain non-sovereign subregions or local persecuted minorities for which an official Parliament delegation does not exist; underlines that any such exceptions should be contingent on official declarations being filed in an ad hoc transparency register, to feature the name of all the MEPs and stakeholders involved, as well as all the meetings held;

Amendment

25. Recalls that any activity or meeting of any unofficial groupings of Members that could result in confusion with official European Parliament activities will be banned; underlines that this will apply to Friendship Groups’ with third countries where official Parliamentary interlocutors already exist; further emphasises that third countries should interact with the Parliament through the Committee of Foreign Affairs, existing official Parliament delegations, other Committees and the DEG as required;

Or. en
Amendment 260
Beata Szydło, Ryszard Czarnecki, Jorge Buxadé Villalba

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

25. Condemns the use of some informal friendship groups as entry points for foreign interference; highlights, furthermore, that some friendship groups have had a detrimental effect on official Parliament bodies and the reputation and consistency of Parliament’s actions; calls, therefore, for a ban on friendship groups with non-EU countries, while recognising that friendship groups should continue to exist, on a case-by-case basis, for activities relating to certain non-sovereign subregions or local persecuted minorities for which an official Parliament delegation does not exist; underlines that any such exceptions should be contingent on official declarations being filed in an ad hoc transparency register, to feature the name of all the MEPs and stakeholders involved, as well as all the meetings held;

25. Condemns the use of some informal friendship groups as entry points for foreign interference; highlights, furthermore, that some friendship groups have had a detrimental effect on official Parliament bodies and the reputation and consistency of Parliament’s actions; calls, therefore, for a ban on friendship groups with non-EU countries, while recognising that friendship groups should continue to exist, on a case-by-case basis, for activities relating to certain countries, non-sovereign subregions, local persecuted minorities or democratic opposition movements against autocratic regimes, for which an official Parliament delegation does not exist, with the most notable example of Taiwan; underlines that any such exceptions should be contingent on official declarations being filed in an ad hoc transparency register, to feature the name of all the MEPs and stakeholders involved, as well as all the meetings held;

Or. en

Amendment 261
Nathalie Loiseau, Abir Al-Sahlani, Morten Løkkegaard, Sandro Gozi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

25. Condemns the use of some informal friendship groups as entry points for foreign interference; highlights, furthermore, that some friendship groups have had a detrimental effect on official Parliament bodies and the reputation and
consistency of Parliament’s actions; calls, therefore, for a ban on friendship groups with non-EU countries, while recognising that friendship groups should continue to exist, on a case-by-case basis, for activities relating to certain non-sovereign subregions or local persecuted minorities for which an official Parliament delegation does not exist; underlines that any such exceptions should be contingent on official declarations being filed in an ad hoc transparency register, to feature the name of all the MEPs and stakeholders involved, as well as all the meetings held; underlines that any such exceptions should be contingent on official declarations being filed in an ad hoc transparency register, to feature the name of all the MEPs and stakeholders involved, as well as all the meetings held; calls in parallel Parliament and its members to ensure that the delegations function in a satisfactory way, in particular in respecting the European Parliament’s position as adopted in plenary sessions;

Amendment 262
Sunčana Glavak

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

25. Condemns the use of some informal friendship groups as entry points for foreign interference; highlights, furthermore, that some friendship groups have had a detrimental effect on official Parliament bodies and the reputation and consistency of Parliament’s actions; calls, therefore, for a ban on friendship groups with non-EU countries, while recognising that friendship groups should continue to exist, on a case-by-case basis, for activities relating to certain non-sovereign subregions or local persecuted minorities for which an official Parliament delegation does not exist; underlines that any such exceptions should be contingent on official declarations being filed in an ad hoc

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transparency register, to feature the name of all the MEPs and stakeholders involved, as well as all the meetings held; and potential candidates for EU membership; underlines that any such exceptions should be contingent on official declarations being filed in an ad hoc transparency register, to feature the name of all the MEPs and stakeholders involved, as well as all the meetings held;

Amendment 263
Aurélie Beigneux, Nicolaus Fest, Jean-Paul Garraud

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

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Amendment 264
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

25. Condemns the use of some informal friendship groups as entry points for foreign interference; highlights, furthermore, that some friendship groups have had a detrimental effect on official Parliament bodies and the reputation and consistency of Parliament’s actions; calls, therefore, for the activities of these friendship groups to be limited to certain non-sovereign subregions or local persecuted minorities for which an official Parliament delegation does not exist; underlines that any such exceptions should be contingent on official declarations being filed in an ad hoc transparency register, to feature the name of all the MEPs and stakeholders involved, as well as all the meetings held;
25. Condemns the use of some informal friendship groups as entry points for foreign interference; highlights, furthermore, that some friendship groups have had a detrimental effect on official Parliament bodies and the reputation and consistency of Parliament’s actions; calls, therefore, for a ban on friendship groups with non-EU countries, while recognising that friendship groups should continue to exist, on a case-by-case basis, for activities relating to certain non-sovereign subregions or local persecuted minorities for which an official Parliament delegation does not exist; underlines that any such exceptions should be contingent on official declarations being filed in an ad hoc transparency register, to feature the name of all the MEPs and stakeholders involved, as well as all the meetings held; considers in this regard that a change to Rule 35 of its rules of procedure to be essential; asks for a change also to its rule 176 to allow breaches to be effectively sanctioned;
relating to certain non-sovereign subregions or local persecuted minorities for which an official Parliament delegation does not exist; underlines that any such exceptions should be contingent on official declarations being filed in an ad hoc transparency register, to feature the name of all the MEPs and stakeholders involved, as well as all the meetings held;

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Amendment 266
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

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Or. en

Amendment 267
Anna Bonfrisco
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Amendment 269
Nicolaus Fest

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25

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Amendment 270
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution

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Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. **Urges MEPs to be vigilant about certain associations that, under the pretence of dealing with social issues, are vectors of influence and undeclared interference by foreign countries;**

Amendment

26. **deleted**

Or. en

Amendment 271
Benoît Lutgen, Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. **Urges MEPs to be vigilant about certain associations that, under the pretence of dealing with social issues, are vectors of influence and undeclared interference by foreign countries;**

Amendment

26. **Urges MEPs to be vigilant about certain associations that, under the pretence of dealing with social, economic, cultural or other issues, are vectors of influence and undeclared interference by foreign countries;**

Or. en

Amendment 272
Aurélia Beigneux, Nicolaus Fest, Jean-Paul Garraud

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26

Motion for a resolution

26. **Urges MEPs to be vigilant about certain associations that, under the pretence of dealing with social issues, are vectors of influence and undeclared interference by foreign countries;**

Amendment

26. **Urges MEPs to be vigilant about certain associations that, under the pretence of dealing with fundamental rights issues, are vectors of influence and undeclared interference by foreign countries;**

Or. fr
Amendment 273  
Heidi Hautala  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group  

Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 26  

26. Urges MEPs to be vigilant about certain associations that, under the pretence of dealing with social issues, are vectors of influence and undeclared interference by foreign countries;

Amendment 274  
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula  

Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 26  

26. Urges MEPs to be vigilant about certain associations that, under the pretence of dealing with general public concerns, are vectors of influence and undeclared interference by foreign countries;

Amendment 275  
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso  

Motion for a resolution  
Subheading 4  

Integrity of parliamentary work  

Integrity and transparency of parliamentary work
Amendment 276
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26 a. Urges to implement, enforce and supervise adherence to the current provisions of the Transparency Register II A within the European Parliament in a much stricter way, namely by ensuring that all Members of the European Parliament, accredited parliamentary assistants and staff members’ meetings with third-party representatives can only take place in accordance with the EU Transparency Register provisions;

Or. en

Amendment 277
Laura Ferrara, Sabrina Pignedoli, Maria Angela Danzi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Mario Furore, Tiziana Beghin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Takes the view that the EP Bureau’s decision-making procedure needs to be revised to make Parliament's governing bodies more transparent and accountable, and all the Bureau's documents should be published in a proactive and timely manner, since its decisions are opaque even to MEPs;

Or. it

Amendment 278
Laura Ferrara, Sabrina Pignedoli, Maria Angela Danzi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Mario Furore, Tiziana Beghin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 b (new)

Motion for a resolution  Amendment

26b. Considers that Parliament should keep a closer eye on the activities of officials and parliamentary assistants with access to sensitive information who are involved in key dossiers and who, given the sensitive nature of their role, cannot simultaneously belong to non-government organisations, associations or other bodies that might have an interest in influencing parliamentary activity;

Or. it

Amendment 279
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 b (new)

Motion for a resolution  Amendment

26 b. Calls for opening inter-institutional talks in order to review the IIA on Transparency Register, long before the foreseen deadline of July 2025;

Or. en

Amendment 280
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 c (new)

Motion for a resolution  Amendment

26 c. Calls for an assessment of the
organisations currently in the EU Transparency Register regarding foreign influence and the effective respect of the code of conduct; insists on strengthening the EU Transparency Register by increasing its budget and the number of staff; calls on considering an extension of its scope, in the framework; calls for taking active measures, should the assessment of the register identify any organisations under malign foreign influence;

Amendment 281
Laura Ferrara, Sabrina Pignedoli, Maria Angela Danzi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Mario Furore, Tiziana Beghin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 c (new)

26c. Recommends introducing a rotation scheme for officials in the political groups, in line with the (seven-yearly) scheme already in place for officials in Parliament's administration, in order to prevent conflicts of interest on key dossiers and safeguard against corruption;

Amendment 282
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 d (new)

26 d. Demands a reinforced control on all MEPs’ and staff’s received invitations, gifts and trips related to third countries;
Amendment 283
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 e (new)

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Amendment 284
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

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Amendment 285
Laura Ferrara, Sabrina Pignedoli, Maria Angela Danzi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo,
Mario Furore, Tiziana Beghin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26a. Calls for the Code of Conduct for Members to be revised to toughen up the sanctions applied in the event of breach to endow them with a real deterrent effect; considers it important for sanctionable activities to be monitored and checked; recommends that decisions concerning the application of sanctions be taken by an independent collegial body rather than one individual; takes the view that where an MEP is found guilty of intentionally committing a criminal offence in the performance of their duties, they should be stripped of the perks of office, such as their pension;

Or. it

Amendment 286
Laura Ferrara, Sabrina Pignedoli, Maria Angela Danzi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo,
Mario Furore, Tiziana Beghin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 26 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

26b. calls for the advisory committee to be composed of independent members rather than, as is currently the case, MEPs; calls for the committee to be endowed with real powers to monitor the conduct of MEPs, have access to greater resources and publish its investigations;

Or. it
Amendment 287
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

27. Recalls the importance of urgency resolutions as part of Parliament’s action to protect human rights around the globe; denounces any attempts at interfering with them; acknowledges that they must retain their urgency, but proposes that a more suitable amount of time be allowed for their drafting in order to ensure due protection against external influence; reiterates that their scope should be strictly observed;

Amendment 288
Laura Ferrara, Sabrina Pignedoli, Maria Angela Danzì, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Mario Furore, Tiziana Beghin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

27. Recalls the importance of urgency resolutions as part of Parliament’s action to protect human rights around the globe; takes the view that they are one of the few instruments available to the EU that it can use to make its voice heard and to condemn human rights violations around the world in a timely manner; recognises, however, the limits inherent in the use of that instrument and believes that a revision is needed to make it more transparent and incisive without restricting it; denounces any attempts at interfering with them; acknowledges that they must retain their urgency, but proposes that a more suitable amount of
time be allowed for their drafting in order to ensure due protection against external influence; reiterates that their scope should be strictly observed;

Or. it

Amendment 289
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

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Amendment
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Or. en

Amendment 290
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

28. Recommends that reports voted on by Parliament on international issues be accompanied by an annex containing a list of persons or institutions met by the rapporteur, with the exception of individuals whose security would be put at risk if they were mentioned; recommends, therefore, making it mandatory for MEPs

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who draft reports or opinions to attach a list to demonstrate the range of outside expertise and opinions that the rapporteur has received;

Amendment 291
Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

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Amendment 292
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

28. Recommends that reports voted on by Parliament on international issues be accompanied by an annex containing a list of persons or institutions met by the rapporteur, with the exception of individuals whose security would be put at risk if they were mentioned, whose identity shall be communicated to and duly guarded by the body designated for that purpose; recommends, therefore, making it mandatory for MEPs who draft reports or opinions to attach a list to demonstrate the range of outside expertise and opinions that the rapporteur has received;
individuals whose security would be put at risk if they were mentioned; recommends, therefore, making it mandatory for MEPs who draft reports or opinions to attach a list to demonstrate the range of outside expertise and opinions that the rapporteur has received; would be put at risk if they were mentioned; recommends, therefore, making it mandatory for rapporteurs and shadows of reports or opinions to attach a list to demonstrate the range of outside expertise and opinions that the rapporteur or shadows have received by disclosing the legislative footprints;

Or. en

Amendment 293
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

28. Recommends that all reports voted on by Parliament be accompanied by an annex containing a list of persons or institutions met by the rapporteur and shadow rapporteurs in connection with their work on the report, with the exception of individuals whose security would be put at risk if they were mentioned; recommends, therefore, making it mandatory for MEPs who draft reports or opinions to attach a list to demonstrate the range of outside expertise and opinions that the rapporteur has received;

Or. en

Amendment 294
Morten Løkkegaard, Petras Aušrevičius, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth, Bart Groothuis, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

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accompanied by an annex containing a list of persons or institutions met by the rapporteur, with the exception of individuals whose security would be put at risk if they were mentioned; recommends, therefore, making it mandatory for MEPs who draft reports or opinions to attach a list to demonstrate the range of outside expertise and opinions that the rapporteur has received; 

Or. en

Amendment 295
Laura Ferrara, Sabrina Pignedoli, Maria Angela Danzi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Mario Furore, Tiziana Beghin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

28. Recommends that reports voted on by Parliament be mandatorily accompanied by an annex containing a list of persons or institutions met by the rapporteur, with the exception of individuals whose security would be put at risk if they were mentioned; recommends, therefore, making it mandatory for MEPs who draft reports or opinions to attach a list to demonstrate the range of outside expertise and opinions that the rapporteur has received;

Or. it

Amendment 296
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29
Recalls that committee chairs, rapporteurs and shadow rapporteurs are obligated to publicly disclose all scheduled meetings with third parties related to a report or resolution; points out, however, that the system for declaring such meetings should be updated, in particular as it still does not take into account subcommittees; calls for Parliament delegations also to be included; believes that similar rules should be established for meetings attended by Parliament officials, APAs and political group staff;
group staff; emphasize the need for making the disclosure process as easy and quick as possible, while maintaining the integrity of the procedure;

Or. en

Amendment 298
Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

29. Recalls that committee chairs, rapporteurs and shadow rapporteurs are obligated to publicly disclose all scheduled meetings with third parties related to a report or resolution; points out, however, that the system for declaring such meetings should be updated, in particular as it still does not take into account subcommittees; calls for Parliament delegations also to be included; believes that similar rules should be established for meetings attended by Parliament officials, APAs and political group staff;

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Or. en

Amendment 299
Sabine Verheyen, Norbert Lins, Daniel Caspary, Monika Hohlmeier, Ralf Seekatz, Axel Voss, Marion Walsmann, Karolin Braunsberger-Reinhold, Marlene Mortler, Christine Schneider

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

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Amendment 300
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29

29. Recalls that committee chairs, rapporteurs and shadow rapporteurs are obligated to publicly disclose all scheduled meetings with third parties related to a report or resolution; points out, however, that the system for declaring such meetings should be updated, in particular as it still does not take into account subcommittees; calls for Parliament delegations also to be included; believes that similar rules should be established for meetings attended by Parliament officials, APAs and political group staff;

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Amendment 301
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 a (new)
Motion for a resolution

29 a. Calls on stronger action to enhance whistleblower protection for staff and accredited parliamentary assistants, in line with the protection provided for in the Whistleblower Directive; considers that at the same time, Article 22c of the Staff Regulations should be urgently revised, in order to align it with the standards of the Whistleblower Directive;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 302
Sunčana Glavak

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

29 a. Calls for creating a positive environment for whistleblowers and their stronger protection;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 303
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 29 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

29 b. Believes that the list of activities under sanction for Members will need to be revised to help compliance with the new obligations and responsibilities required; considers that a system of warnings and reminders shall be put in place to remind Members of rules before imposing sanctions, in case of severe and systematic breaches; insists that sanctions must also include the option of financial
penalties; supports a change to Rule 176 in order to have a strong and dissuasive framework, in particular in case of severe non-compliance with Rule 10 (standards of conduct), Rule 11 (publication of meetings); Rule 35 (Intergroups and other groupings); conflicting external activities, including election observation; infringements of financial nature.

Amendment 304
Aurélia Beigneux, Nicolaus Fest, Jean-Paul Garraud

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

30. Calls for MEPs and their offices to be required to declare meetings with representatives of non-EU countries and other interest representatives; deleted

Or. fr

Amendment 305
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

30. Calls for MEPs and their offices to be required to declare meetings with representatives of non-EU countries and other interest representatives; stresses that these declarations of meetings should be as clear and accessible to the public as possible and that sanctions for the failure to declare meetings need to be applied; agrees with the proposed Commission scheme that exceptions can be allowed

Or. en
and more general declarations made in cases where the naming of individuals or organisations would put their life or physical safety at risk;

Or. en

Amendment 306
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. **Calls for MEPs and their offices to be required** to declare meetings with representatives of non-EU countries and other interest representatives;

Amendment

30. **Further recalls that of the 14 points endorsed by the Conference of Presidents, the fourth, originally proposed by President Metsola, commits to changing the Rules of Procedure in order for all Members, APAs and staff to declare scheduled meetings with diplomatic representatives of third countries and third parties covered by the scope of the Transparency Register on specific reports or resolutions or in situations in which MEPs or staff have an active role and clear and immediate influence in the evolution of specific files;**

Or. en

Amendment 307
Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Calls for MEPs and their offices to be required to declare meetings with representatives of non-EU countries and other interest representatives;

Amendment

30. Calls for MEPs and their offices to be required to declare meetings with representatives of non-EU countries and other interest representatives, **as well as with representatives of interests listed in the Transparency Register who are**
involved in activities related to legislative dossiers concerning countries considered to be at risk of external interference or conflict of interest;

Or. en

Amendment 308
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Calls for MEPs and their offices to be required to declare meetings with representatives of non-EU countries and other interest representatives;

Amendment

30. Calls for MEPs and their offices to be required to declare meetings with representatives of non-EU countries and other interest representatives; while taking into account the necessity to guarantee exemptions in duly justified cases that demand specific protection and confidentiality due to the vulnerable positions of the individual concerned;

Or. en

Amendment 309
Morten Løkkegaard, Petras Aušrevičius, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth, Bart Groothuis, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Calls for MEPs and their offices to be required to declare meetings with representatives of non-EU countries and other interest representatives;

Amendment

30. Calls for MEPs and their offices to be required to declare meetings with representatives of non-EU countries and other interest representatives, specifically if MEPs currently hold responsibilities as Rapporteur or Shadow Rapporteur on legislative proposals, resolutions or urgencies;

Or. en
Amendment 310
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution Amendment

30 a. Requests amending the Members’ Statute in order to create a verifiable, searchable and detailed public mandatory register of annual financial declarations on wealth and income; requests amending article 4 of the Code of Conduct for members, in order to introduce additional requirements - for instance by providing supporting documents - for information on Members’ declaration of financial interests, in a very detailed manner; considers essential to ensure the information contained in its internal register is up-to-date and made available in a timely manner;

Or. en

Amendment 311
Beata Szydło, Ryszard Czarnecki, Jorge Buxadé Villalba, Nicola Procaccini

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution Amendment

30 a. Takes note that in current term there were cases of MEPs receiving regular payments from think - tanks and organisations based outside the EU for consulting and advisory role; underlines that such practices could be seen as undue influence on MEPs by third country organisations and therefore any remuneration received from such source should be banned under Parliament's Rules of Procedures;
Amendment 312
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 a. Reiterates its call for a ban on Members of the European Parliament performing paid side jobs or activities on behalf of organisations or individuals covered by the scope of the Transparency Register, in order to limit potential conflicts of interest; observes that this measure has yet to be implemented;

Or. en

Amendment 313
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 b. Suggests forbidding Members of the European Parliament keeping gifts above 100 Euros;

Or. en

Amendment 314
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

30 c. Recalls the importance of urgency resolutions as part of the European
Parliament’s action on protecting human rights around the globe; denounces any attempts at interfering with them; reiterates that the scope of the European Parliament’s urgency resolutions should be strictly observed; underlines that the strength and impact of the EP’s human rights urgency resolutions should not be undermined;

Amendment 315
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30 d (new)

30 d. Recommends that reports voted by the European Parliament be accompanied by an annex containing the list of persons or institutions met by the rapporteur, with the exception of individuals whose mention would pose a potential conflict of interest or be detrimental for the security for the individual met; hence recommends that measures, under which MEPs drafting reports or opinions can choose to attach a list to demonstrate the range of outside expertise and opinions the rapporteur has received, to be made mandatory;

Amendment 316
Beata Szydło, Ryszard Czarnecki, Jorge Buxadé Villalba

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

31. Insists on the obligation to declare deleted
participation in any conference or event organised or funded by a foreign state, NGO, think tank or private company;

Amendment 317
Morten Løkkegaard, Abir Al-Sahlani, Petras Auštreivičius, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth, Bart Groothuis, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Insists on the obligation to declare participation in any conference or event organised or funded by a foreign state, NGO, think tank or private company;

Amendment

31. Insists on the obligation to declare participation in any conference or event organised or funded by a foreign state, NGO, think tank or private company, specifically if MEPs currently hold responsibilities as Rapporteur or Shadow Rapporteur on legislative proposals, resolutions or urgencies;

Amendment 318
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Insists on the obligation to declare participation in any conference or event organised or funded by a foreign state, NGO, think tank or private company;

Amendment

31. Insists on the obligation to declare participation in any conference or event organised or funded by a foreign state, private company, business organisation, think tank, foundation or NGO;

Amendment 319
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 31**

**Motion for a resolution**

31. Insists on the obligation to declare participation in any conference or event organised or funded by a foreign state, *NGO, think tank or private company*;

**Amendment**

31. Insists on the obligation to declare participation in any conference or event organised or funded by a foreign state or *organisations of interest representation*;

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**Amendment 320**

Clare Daly

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 32**

**Motion for a resolution**

32. Is concerned by the fact that some MEPs are members of political parties that have received financial support from non-EU entities, including from Russia, and that their political positions have *clearly* been influenced by this support;

**Amendment**

32. Is concerned by the fact that some MEPs are members of political parties that have received financial support from non-EU entities, including from Russia, and *at the possibility* that their political positions *could* have been influenced by this support;

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**Amendment 321**

Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Anna Júlia Donáth, Nathalie Loiseau

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 32 a (new)**

**Motion for a resolution**

32 a. *Calls for measures to increase the transparency of MEPs' financial declarations, including the inclusion of a declaration of assets by MEPs at the beginning and end of each term of office*;
Amendment 322
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

32 a. Is of the opinion that a declaration of assets by MEPs before and after their mandate may contribute to the fight against corruption, following the good practices of many Member States;

Amendment 323
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 b (new)

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

32 b. Is concerned about the possibility of Members of the European Parliament to work side jobs in similar fields as their legislative work, which open the door to potential conflicts of interest, especially if Members work as managers or advisors in banks or corporations;

Amendment 324
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33
motion for a resolution

33. Reiterates that MEPs, their staff and political group staff should **systematically refuse to use** prewritten amendments proposals from embassies, *lobbyists or NGOs*;

amendment

33. Reiterates that MEPs, their staff and political group staff should **be obliged to disclose publicly when they use** proposals, including prewritten amendments, from embassies or any interest representatives by indicating this in the amendment's justification;

Or. en

amendment 325
Clare Daly

motion for a resolution
paragraph 33

motion for a resolution

33. Reiterates that MEPs, their staff and political group staff **should** **systematically refuse to use** prewritten amendments proposals from embassies, *lobbyists or NGOs*;

amendment

33. Reiterates that **all interest groups**, including embassies, lobbyists and NGOs, should publish written input sent to MEPs; urges MEPs, their staff and political group staff to **critically evaluate input received from such interest groups**;

Or. en

amendment 326
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

motion for a resolution
paragraph 33

motion for a resolution

33. Reiterates that MEPs, their staff and political group staff should **systematically refuse to use** prewritten amendments proposals from embassies, lobbyists or NGOs;

amendment

33. Reiterates that MEPs, their staff and political group staff should **systematically refuse to use** prewritten amendments proposals from embassies, lobbyists, **business organisations, companies, consulting agencies** or NGOs;

Or. en
Amendment 327
Morten Løkkegaard, Petras Aušrevičius, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33

Motion for a resolution

33. Reiterates that MEPs, their staff and political group staff should systematically refuse to use prewritten amendments proposals from embassies, lobbyists or NGOs;

Amendment

33. Reiterates that MEPs, their staff and political group staff should systematically refuse to use amendment proposals from embassies, lobbyists or NGOs working for or representing foreign states or their interests;

Or. en

Amendment 328
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

33 a. Recalls the Parliament's report on the shrinking space for civil society in Europe of 22 February 2022, which asserts the crucial role played by CSOs in the realisation and protection of the Union values set out in Article 2 TEU, and the formulation and implementation of EU law, policies and strategies, including combating climate change, digital transformation and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic; continues to stress their key contribution to informed public debate, articulating aspirations present in society, giving a voice to vulnerable and marginalised people, ensuring access to crucial services, providing expertise in policy-making, promoting active citizenship, acting as schools of democracy and being indispensable watchdogs exercising
democratic control over state institutions and ensuring accountability for public action and use of public funds; embraces a positive obligation to ensure an enabling environment for CSOs including access to transparent funding mechanisms and civil dialogue mechanisms, in line with international human rights standards on freedom of association, expression and assembly, and as also reaffirmed by the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union;

Amendment 329
Balázs Hidvéghi, Jorge Buxadé Villalba, Jean-Paul Garraud, Aurélia Beigneux

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 a (new)

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

33 a. Highlights the crucial importance of adopting clear rules on the transparency - with special emphasis on the financing sources - of NGOs, think tanks and experts influencing the decision-making in the European Parliament without any exceptions and limitations;

Or. en

Amendment 330
Balázs Hidvéghi, Jorge Buxadé Villalba, Jean-Paul Garraud, Aurélia Beigneux

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33 b (new)

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

33 b. Notes with concern the practice of several NGOs that produce politically biased reports based on double standards
against certain Member States; calls on EU institutions to stop the practice of copy-pasting texts and reports coming from politically biased NGOs and outside experts to the official positions of the EU institutions;

Amendment 331
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34

34. Strongly insists on the need for transparency on the funding received by NGOs and think tanks that wish to be involved with Parliament, in particular when they request support or sponsorship from MEPs to organise meetings on Parliament’s premises, when they are invited to a hearing, or when they participate in a study or research on behalf of Parliament; welcomes, in this regard, the proposal for stronger checks on interest representatives, such as the prerequisite of being listed in the Transparency Register in order to be able to appear at committee meetings; encourages the adoption of specific provisions for interest representatives whose activities do not fall within the scope of the Transparency Register;
Amendment 332
Laura Ferrara, Sabrina Pignedoli, Maria Angela Danzi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Mario Furore, Tiziana Beghin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

34. Strongly insists on the need for transparency on the funding received by NGOs and think tanks that wish to be involved with Parliament, in particular when they request support or sponsorship from MEPs to organise meetings on Parliament’s premises, when they are invited to a hearing, or when they participate in a study or research on behalf of Parliament; welcomes, in this regard, the proposal for stronger checks on interest representatives, such as the prerequisite of being listed in the Transparency Register in order to be able to appear at committee meetings; encourages the adoption of specific provisions for interest representatives whose activities do not fall within the scope of the Transparency Register;

34. Strongly insists on the need for all interest representatives that are active in and wish to be involved with Parliament (whether representing commercial interests or otherwise) to be obliged to register in the transparency register, in particular when they request support or sponsorship from MEPs to organise meetings on Parliament’s premises, when they are invited to a hearing, or when they participate in a study or research on behalf of Parliament; reiterates the request made in the resolution of 15 December 2022 and calls for the EU transparency register to be strengthened by increasing its budget allocation and headcount, so that it is able to verify the information provided by applicants and registrants more thoroughly; stresses that the prerequisite of being listed in the Transparency Register in order to be able to lobby Parliament would reduce the risk of corruption and undue interference;

Amendment 333
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

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transparency on the funding received by NGOs and think tanks that wish to be involved with Parliament, in particular when they request support or sponsorship from MEPs to organise meetings on Parliament’s premises, when they are invited to a hearing, or when they participate in a study or research on behalf of Parliament; welcomes, in this regard, the proposal for stronger checks on interest representatives, such as the prerequisite of being listed in the Transparency Register in order to be able to appear at committee meetings; encourages the adoption of specific provisions for interest representatives whose activities do not fall within the scope of the Transparency Register; calls for particular regard to proportionality criteria and to avoid cumbersome procedures especially for small and no-profit NGOs;

Amendment 334
Vladimír Bilčík, Lukas Mandl, David Lega, Sunčana Glavak, Benoît Lutgen, Andrey Kovatchev, Sabine Verheyen, Javier Zarzalejos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34

34. Strongly insists on the need for transparency on the funding received by Consulting Agencies, NGOs and think tanks that wish to be involved with the European Parliament, in particular when they request support or sponsorship from MEPs to organise meetings on Parliament’s premises, when they are invited to a hearing, or when they participate in a study or research on behalf of the European Parliament; welcomes, in this regard, the proposal for stronger checks on interest representatives, such as the prerequisite of being listed in the Transparency Register in order to be able to appear at committee meetings; encourages the adoption of specific provisions for interest representatives whose activities do not fall within the scope of the Transparency Register;
order to be able to appear at committee meetings; encourages the adoption of specific provisions for interest representatives whose activities do not fall within the scope of the Transparency Register;

Amendment 335
Morten Løkkegaard, Abir Al-Sahlani, Petras Aušrevičius, Sandro Gozi, Bart Groothuis, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

34. Strongly insists on the need for transparency on the funding received by NGOs and think tanks that wish to be involved with Parliament, in particular when they request support or sponsorship from MEPs to organise meetings on Parliament’s premises, when they are invited to a hearing, or when they participate in a study or research on behalf of Parliament; welcomes, in this regard, the proposal for stronger checks on interest representatives, such as the prerequisite of being listed in the Transparency Register in order to be able to appear at committee meetings; encourages the adoption of specific provisions for interest representatives whose activities do not fall within the scope of the Transparency Register;

Amendment

34. Strongly insists on the need for transparency on the funding received by interest representatives, such as NGOs and think tanks, that wish to be involved with Parliament, in particular when they request support or sponsorship from MEPs to organise meetings on Parliament’s premises, when they are invited to a hearing, or when they participate in a study or research on behalf of Parliament; welcomes, in this regard, the proposal for stronger checks on interest representatives, such as the prerequisite of being listed in the Transparency Register in order to be able to appear at committee meetings; encourages the adoption of specific provisions for interest representatives whose activities do not fall within the scope of the Transparency Register;

Amendment 336
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

34. Strongly insists on the need for transparency on the funding received by NGOs and think tanks that wish to be involved with Parliament, in particular when they request support or sponsorship from MEPs to organise meetings on Parliament’s premises, when they are invited to a hearing, or when they participate in a study or research on behalf of Parliament; welcomes, in this regard, the proposal for stronger checks on interest representatives, such as the prerequisite of being listed in the Transparency Register in order to be able to appear at committee meetings; encourages the adoption of specific provisions for interest representatives whose activities do not fall within the scope of the Transparency Register; Amendment

34. Strongly insists on the need for transparency by means of a registration in the EU Transparency Register on the funding received by any interest representatives that wish to be involved with Parliament, in particular when they request support or sponsorship from MEPs to organise meetings on Parliament’s premises, when they are invited to a hearing, exchange of views or any other scheduled appearance, or when they participate in a study or research on behalf of Parliament; encourages the adoption of specific provisions for interest representatives whose activities do not fall within the scope of the Transparency Register such as third country representatives with diplomatic status;

Or. en

Amendment 337
Morten Løkkegaard, Petras Aušrevičius, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth, Nathalie Loiseau, Bart Groothuis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

34 a. Furthermore, calls for the Transparency Register to evaluate its current lists of registrants to assess their compliance with the Code of Conduct of registrants;

Or. en

Amendment 338
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34 b (new)

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

34 b. Notes the general need for sufficient funding to ensure proper control with registrants in the Transparency Register;

Or. en

Amendment 339
Morten Løkkegaard, Petras Auštrevičius, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth, Bart Groothuis, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34 c (new)

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

34 c. Consider it relevant for the Parliament to discuss its options to improve transparency and anti-corruptions measures related to interest representatives seeking to influence legislative proposals or resolutions, including by arranging meetings with MEPs, their offices or staff of political groups; this could, among other initiatives, include stronger measures for interest representatives relating to their registering in the Transparency Register;

Or. en

Amendment 340
Morten Løkkegaard, Petras Auštrevičius, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth, Bart Groothuis, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34 d (new)
34 d. Calls for more restrictive measures to be implemented in case of violations of the code of conduct for registrants in the Transparency Register; this could include longer suspensions for severe breaches; additionally, breaches on the code of conduct of registrants should be made public, and the information should be easy accessible for European citizens and other organisations;

Amendment 341
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 35

35. Calls for the comprehensive financial screening of NGOs before they are listed in the Transparency Register; requests that a clear legal definition of ‘NGO status’ be drawn up, which would apply to all organisations wishing to be listed in the Transparency Register and become eligible to receive EU funding; underlines that those NGOs that receive money from third parties that are not required to be listed in the Transparency Register must disclose the sources of their funding by providing the same information as for all regular registrants;

Amendment 342
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 35
Motion for a resolution

35. Calls for the comprehensive financial screening of NGOs before they are listed in the Transparency Register; requests that a clear legal definition of ‘NGO status’ be drawn up, which would apply to all organisations wishing to be listed in the Transparency Register and become eligible to receive EU funding; underlines that those NGOs that receive money from third parties that are not required to be listed in the Transparency Register must disclose the sources of their funding by providing the same information as for all regular registrants;

Amendment

35. Calls for the comprehensive financial screening of interest representatives before they are listed in the Transparency Register; reiterates its call for the EU institutions to reform the Transparency Register, including by introducing more stringent transparency rules, mapping foreign funding for EU-related lobbying and ensuring entries which allow for the identification of funding from foreign governments and entities acting on their behalf; recalls that all organisations falling under the scope of Transparency Register need to follow the rules on financial declarations and that such information should be readily accessible; believes the Register should have the means to scrutinise these declarations; regrets the fact that certain declarations do not specify the exact amounts that are spent on interest representation within EU institutions; reiterates the importance of transparent and balanced stakeholder consultation as part of policy-making;

Or. en

Amendment 343
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 35

Motion for a resolution

35. Calls for the comprehensive financial screening of NGOs and Consulting Agencies before they are listed in the Transparency Register; requests that a clear legal definition of ‘NGO status’ be drawn up, which would apply to all organisations wishing to be listed in the Transparency Register and become eligible to receive EU funding;

Amendment

35. Calls for the comprehensive financial screening of NGOs and Consulting Agencies before they are listed in the Transparency Register; requests that a clear legal definition of ‘NGO status’ be drawn up, which would apply to all organisations wishing to be listed in the Transparency Register and become eligible to receive EU funding; requests
money from third parties that are not required to be listed in the Transparency Register must disclose the sources of their funding by providing the same information as for all regular registrants; 

transparency of the client structure of Consulting Agencies, if they wish to register in the Transparency Register; underlines that those NGOs that receive money from third parties that are not required to be listed in the Transparency Register must disclose the sources of their funding by providing the same information as for all regular registrants;

Amendment 344
Benoît Lutgen, Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 35

Motion for a resolution

35. Calls for the comprehensive financial screening of NGOs before they are listed in the Transparency Register; requests that a clear legal definition of ‘NGO status’ be drawn up, which would apply to all organisations wishing to be listed in the Transparency Register and become eligible to receive EU funding; underlines that those NGOs that receive money from third parties that are not required to be listed in the Transparency Register must disclose the sources of their funding by providing the same information as for all regular registrants;

Amendment

35. Calls for the comprehensive financial screening of NGOs before they are listed in the Transparency Register; ask that these organizations also demonstrate transparency in the composition of their governing bodies and that they demonstrate compliance with all the legal obligations of the State where they have their legal headquarters, particularly in terms of financing and accounting obligations; requests that a clear legal definition of ‘NGO status’ be drawn up, which would apply to all organisations wishing to be listed in the Transparency Register and become eligible to receive EU funding; underlines that those NGOs that receive money from third parties that are not required to be listed in the Transparency Register must disclose the sources of their funding by providing the same information as for all regular registrants;

Amendment 345
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 35

35. Calls for the comprehensive financial screening of NGOs before they are listed in the Transparency Register; requests that a clear legal definition of ‘NGO status’ be drawn up, which would apply to all organisations wishing to be listed in the Transparency Register and become eligible to receive EU funding; underlines that those NGOs that receive money from third parties that are not required to be listed in the Transparency Register must disclose the sources of their funding by providing the same information as for all regular registrants;

Amendment

35. Calls for the comprehensive financial screening of NGOs before they are listed in the Transparency Register, and for a review of all interest groups currently registered on the Transparency Register; requests that a clear legal definition of ‘NGO status’ be drawn up, which would apply to all organisations wishing to be listed in the Transparency Register and become eligible to receive EU funding; underlines that those NGOs that receive money from third parties that are not required to be listed in the Transparency Register must disclose the sources of their funding by providing the same information as for all regular registrants;

Or. en

Amendment 346
Anna Júlia Donáth, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 35

35. Calls for the comprehensive financial screening of NGOs before they are listed in the Transparency Register; requests that a clear legal definition of ‘NGO status’ be drawn up, which would apply to all organisations wishing to be listed in the Transparency Register and become eligible to receive EU funding; underlines that those NGOs that receive money from third parties that are not required to be listed in the Transparency Register must disclose the sources of their funding by providing the same information as for all regular registrants;

Amendment

35. Calls for the comprehensive financial screening of all interest groups before they are listed in the Transparency Register; requests that a clear legal definition of ‘interest representatives’ be drawn up, which would apply to all organisations wishing to be listed in the Transparency Register and become eligible to receive EU funding; underlines that all interest representatives that receive money from third parties that are not required to be listed in the Transparency Register must
funding by providing the same information as for all regular registrants;

disclose the sources of their funding by providing the same information as for all regular registrants;

Or. en

Amendment 347
Morten Løkkegaard, Petras Auštrévičius, Sandro Gozi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 35

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Amendment 348
Laura Ferrara, Sabrina Pignedoli, Maria Angela Danzi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Mario Furore, Tiziana Beghin

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Amendment 349
Markus Pieper, Sabine Verheyen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 35 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

35 a. Highlights that in the interest of clarity, legal certainty and the rule of law, transparency regulations for NGOs should be transferred into an NGO regulation; points out that the NGO regulation must systematically define NGOs; underlines that large NGOs that are registered in the EU Transparency Register should be treated in the same way as companies and fulfil the same reporting obligations; stresses that this should not lead to bureaucratic burdens;

Or. en

Amendment 350
Morten Lokkegaard, Petras Auštreivičius, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth, Bart Groothuis, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 35 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment
35 a. Calls on the Commission to consider proposals to improve the Transparency Register for EU institutions to ensure enhanced transparency and accountability; this may include proposals for additional obligations for registrants in the Transparency Register;

Or. en

Amendment 351
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 36

36. Calls for enhanced controls on or audits of NGOs working closely with Parliament to be put in place in order to identify irregularities, fraud or breaches of obligations, including the violation of EU values, and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be reduced, and for funds to be recovered in the event that any such infringements occur;

Or. en

Amendment 352
Benoît Lutgen, Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 36

36. Calls for enhanced controls on or audits of NGOs working closely with Parliament to be put in place in order to identify irregularities, fraud or breaches of obligations, including the violation of EU values, and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be reduced, and for funds to be recovered in the event that any such infringements occur;

Or. en
reduced, and for funds to be recovered in the event that any such infringements occur; and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be reduced, and for funds to be recovered in the event that any such infringements occur;

**Amendment 353**
Morten Løkkegaard, Abir Al-Sahlani, Petras Auštreivičius, Nathalie Loiseau

**Motion for a resolution**
**Paragraph 36**

**Motion for a resolution**
36. Calls for enhanced controls on or audits of NGOs working closely with Parliament to be put in place in order to identify irregularities, fraud or breaches of obligations, including the violation of EU values, and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be reduced, and for funds to be recovered in the event that any such infringements occur;

**Amendment**
36. Calls for enhanced controls on or audits, including random checks, of interest representatives, including NGOs, working closely with Parliament to be put in place in order to identify irregularities, fraud or breaches of obligations, including the violation of EU values, and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be reduced, and for funds to be recovered in the event that any such infringements occur;

**Amendment 354**
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

**Motion for a resolution**
**Paragraph 36**

**Motion for a resolution**
36. Calls for enhanced controls on or audits of NGOs working closely with Parliament to be put in place in order to identify irregularities, fraud or breaches of obligations, including the violation of EU values, and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be reduced, and for funds to be recovered in

**Amendment**
36. Calls for enhanced controls on or audits of NGOs working closely with the European Parliament to be put in place in order to identify irregularities, fraud or breaches of obligations, including the violation of EU values, as defined in Art2 TEU, and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be
the event that any such infringements occur; reduced, and for funds to be recovered in the event that any such infringements occur;

**Amendment 355**

Morten Lokkegaard, Abir Al-Sahlani, Petras Auštreivičius, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth, Nathalie Loiseau, Bart Groothuis

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 36**

Motion for a resolution

36. Calls for enhanced controls on or audits of NGOs working closely with Parliament to be put in place in order to identify irregularities, fraud or breaches of obligations, including the violation of EU values, and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be reduced, and for funds to be recovered in the event that any such infringements occur;

Amendment

36. Calls for enhanced controls on or audits of NGOs working closely with Parliament or other EU institutions to be put in place in order to identify irregularities, fraud or breaches of obligations, including the violation of EU values, and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be reduced, and for funds to be recovered in the event that any such infringements occur;

**Amendment 356**

Heidi Hautala

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 36**

Motion for a resolution

36. Calls for enhanced controls on or audits of NGOs working closely with Parliament to be put in place in order to identify irregularities, fraud or breaches of obligations, including the violation of EU values, and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be reduced, and for funds to be recovered in

Amendment

36. Calls for enhanced controls on or audits of interest organizations working closely with Parliament to be put in place in order to identify irregularities, fraud or breaches of obligations, including the violation of EU values, and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be reduced, and for funds to be
the event that any such infringements occur;

recovered in the event that any such infringements occur;

Or. en

Amendment 357
Anna Júlia Donáth, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 36

36. Calls for enhanced controls on or audits of NGOs working closely with Parliament to be put in place in order to identify irregularities, fraud or breaches of obligations, including the violation of EU values, and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be reduced, and for funds to be recovered in the event that any such infringements occur;

Amendment
36. Calls for enhanced controls on or audits of all interest groups working closely with Parliament to be put in place in order to identify irregularities, fraud or breaches of obligations, including the violation of EU values, and for contracts to be suspended or terminated, or for their duration to be reduced, and for funds to be recovered in the event that any such infringements occur;

Or. en

Amendment 358
Anna Bonfrisco

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 36 a (new)

Motion for a resolution
36 a. Notes that NGOs were allegedly used in this case as vectors of foreign interference in European parliamentarism; calls for a review of the current rules for NGOs, in particular those related to governance, budget, anti-money laundering, foreign influence and persons of significant control, with the aim of increasing their transparency and accountability; calls on the Commission to study if broadening the scope of AML rules, particularly by including NGOs,
would have prevented these events from taking place;

Amendment 359
Vladimír Bilčík, Lukas Mandl, David Lega, Sunčana Glavak, Benoît Lutgen, Sabine Verheyen, Javier Zarzalejos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 36 a (new)

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

36 a. calls for a more thorough screening of third country participants including invited speakers and guests in parliamentary committees and interparliamentary delegations and assemblies, particularly concerning their funding, until further and more permanent measures are implemented;

Or. en

Amendment 360
Nathalie Loiseau, Abir Al-Sahlani, Anna Júlia Donáth, Morten Løkkegaard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Sandro Gozi, Iskra Mihaylova, Bart Groothuis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 36 a (new)

Motion for a resolution
Amendment

36 a. Urges to amend the Interinstitutional Agreement, so that the Transparency Register is obliged to submit its annual report to the European Parliament and to report on incidents and needs related to the risk of foreign interference;

Or. en
Amendment 361
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37

Motion for a resolution

37. Supports the overhaul of Parliament’s website, which aims at making the information thereon more easily accessible to the public and clearer;

Amendment

37. Supports the overhaul of the European Parliament’s website, which aims at making the information thereon more easily accessible to the public and clearer; regrets that most Members of the European Parliament do not declare their meetings with lobbyists; furthermore regrets that the declaration of meetings is mandatory only for Members having a formal position, such as Rapporteur; recommends that Members should be obliged to register all their meetings, except for with individuals needing specific protection, and calls for the necessary resources to be attributed for enforcement of such a rule;

Or. en

Amendment 362
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37

Motion for a resolution

37. Supports the overhaul of Parliament’s website, which aims at making the information thereon more easily accessible to the public and clearer;

Amendment

37. Supports the overhaul of Parliament’s website, which aims at making the information thereon more easily accessible to the public and clearer; calls for a user-friendly system on the Parliament's website whereby, for each roll-call vote, the text voted on and the voting results can be filtered by group and by MEP; further calls for the roll-call vote results, the MEP presence data and the text put to the vote, to be made available
Amendment 363
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37

Motion for a resolution

37. Supports the overhaul of Parliament’s website, which aims at making the information thereon more easily accessible to the public and clearer;

Amendment

37. Supports the overhaul of Parliament’s website, which aims at making the information thereon more easily accessible to the public and clearer; calls for a thorough evaluation of and improvements to the readability of Members' legislative activities, in particular by disclosing legislative footprints for proposed texts and amendments;

Or. en

Amendment 364
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

37 a. Believes that a declaration of assets by Members at the beginning of and end of each mandate would offer additional safeguards against corruption, following the example of many Member States; believes that the asset declaration could be accessible only to relevant authorities to allow them to check whether declared assets fit with declared incomes when faced with instances of substantiated allegations, which would make spending illegal proceeds substantially more difficult;

Amendment

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Or. en
Amendment 365
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

37 a. Calls to significantly enhance whistleblower protection for staff members and APAs, by immediately revising Parliament’s Internal Rules Implementing Article 22c of the Staff Regulations to bring them in line with the protections provided for in the Whistleblower Directive and by amending the Staff Regulations, especially Article 22c thereof, in order to align them with the standards of the Whistleblower Directive;

Amendment 366
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

37 a. Calls for the urgent introduction of a mandatory zero-tolerance policy training on anti-corruption and transparency for MEPs, accredited parliamentary assistants and staff members;

Amendment 367
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 b (new)

37 b. Suggests reinforcing and making full use of the sanctions procedures within the European Parliament without delay, while working towards the establishment of an independent ethics body; points in that regard to the recent observations made by the European Ombudsman regarding the Parliament's Advisory Committee on the Conduct of Members; underlines that she suggests to strengthen its independence while granting it powers to proactively monitor, investigate and ensure compliance with ethics rules, in particular the Code of Conduct, and providing it with sufficient resources;

Or. en

Amendment 368
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 b (new)

37 b. Commits to introduce a mandatory declaration of absence of conflict of interest for rapporteurs and shadow rapporteurs;

Or. en

Amendment 369
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 c. Recalls its position in favour of a revision of the Staff Regulations, especially Article 22c thereof, in order to align it with the standards of the Whistleblower Directive; underlines further that training for MEPs on whistleblowing rules should be mandatory, not optional;

Or. en

Amendment 370
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 c. Commits to better communicate its rules on travel expense reimbursements and gifts received by Members and to strengthening their enforcement through sanctions when appropriate;

Or. en

Amendment 371
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 d. Notes with great concern that the alleged corruption of those involved in the current scandal would be possible with the Parliament’s current rules and their interpretation in similar forms legally as
side-income as ‘consultant’ for unnamed clients that could include third countries, companies under their control or interest representatives working on their behalf; notes that over a quarter of Members declared to be paid for outside activities including around 39 MEPs found to earn more than 100 000 EUR a year from side activities in 2021 and thereby potentially more from outside interests than from the regular MEP income provided by Parliament; calls for Members’ declarations to be subject to institutional checks or verified by relevant documents while this is done for members of national parliaments and Members of the European Parliament in some Member States, such as France;

Amendment 372
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 e (new)

Motion for a resolution

37 e. Commits to increase the transparency of Members’ financial declarations by requiring more information on Members’ side jobs and outside activities; believes that Parliament needs to be stricter and more transparent by publishing the exact amount of side income earned, the time spent, the position description and the clients on whose behalf Members work for payment; calls, in order to limit potential conflicts of interest, for a ban on Members performing paid side jobs or activities on behalf of organisations or individuals covered by the scope of the Transparency Register; commits to this end to change its Rules of Procedure, in particular Rule 11 and Annex I, Code of Conduct for
Amendment 373
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 f (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 f. Notes that, in some Member States, statutory provisions exist on the rules governing the exercise of professions, which in particular objectively prevent law firms from registering themselves in the Transparency Register and in the process revealing the information about their clients which the register requires; calls on the Commission and the President of the Parliament to secure a practical outcome and to enshrine a result in the modified agreement as soon as possible;

Amendment 374
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 g (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 g. Reiterates its call for specific obligations for Members to declare their assets at the beginning and end of each mandate; believes that the asset declaration could be accessible only to relevant authorities to allow them to check whether declared assets fit with declared incomes when faced with
substantiated allegations; believes that asset declarations should also become mandatory for Commissioners, Presidents and Secretary-Generals of EU institutions, bodies and agencies, as well as their heads of cabinets;

Amendment 375
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 h (new)

37 h. Commits to reform the Advisory Committee in line with its proposal for an independent ethics body; stresses that this must involve adopting an unequivocal and comprehensive definition of conflict of interests, given the current revelations, involving external experts, allowing the Advisory Committee to scrutinise Members on its own initiative, allowing substantiated complaints to be raised by anyone, introducing the obligatory publication by the President of sanctions adopted and situations where sanctions are not applied, and introducing proactive checks of Members’ declarations of interest;

Amendment 376
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 i (new)
37 i. Calls for the establishment of a clear and enhanced sanctions regime that is transparently enforced and not applied only by the President discretionally, including a revision of sanctionable activities; believes that any breach of the code of conduct shall be sanctioned, including financially; proposes for the recommendations of the advisory committee to be public and for the President to publish reasons in case of any deviations from the recommendations; is of the opinion that in addition to financial sanctions, other sanctions should also be considered based on the severity of the breach; notes that the Rules of Procedure provide that for certain breaches Members may not be elected as office-holders of Parliament or of one of its bodies, be appointed as a rapporteur or participate in an official delegation or interinstitutional negotiations; proposes imposition of this sanction for serious breaches of the Code of Conduct;

Or. en

Amendment 377
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 j (new)

Motion for a resolution

37 j. Expresses its regret that the Bureau has not implemented the will of the Plenary expressed on several occasions to reform the General Expenditure Allowance, thereby preventing transparency and accountability in the Union’s spending and fostering a culture of impunity;

Or. en
Amendment 378  
Heidi Hautala  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group  

Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 37 k (new)  

37 k. Calls on Member States and all EU institutions, especially Parliament, to increase cooperation with the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF), the European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust), and the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO) in order to ensure proper and effective investigation of all alleged cases of corruption in the EU institutions, bodies and agencies; calls for the capacities of and cooperation between OLAF and the EPPO to be strengthened further, as the key EU anti-corruption bodies; recommends that the European Public Prosecutor Office (EPPO) should be extended to the whole Union, which would facilitate its cooperation with other institutions and ensure better prosecution of cases in currently non-member countries;

Amendment 379  
Heidi Hautala  
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group  

Motion for a resolution  
Paragraph 37 l (new)  

37 l. Commits to ensure that Parliament’s documents are easily accessible, irrespective of their medium, to all citizens; calls, in particular, for
amending Rule 122(3) of the Rules of Procedure to ensure the provision of documents in an open, user-friendly, machine-readable format;

Amendment 380
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 m (new)

Motion for a resolution
37 m. Insists that all EU institutions participating in trilogues should, according to Article 12(2) of Regulation (EC) 1049/2001 make legislative documents, that is to say, documents drawn up or received in the course of procedures for the adoption of acts which are legally binding in or for the Member States, directly accessible, unless their disclosure would seriously undermine the decision-making process; highlights the importance of the recent judgement in Case T-163/21 on access to legislative documents of Council’s working groups, in which the CJEU concludes that access to legislative documents must be as wide as possible and that exceptions could apply only if access to such documents would specifically, effectively and in a non-hypothetical manner seriously undermine the possibility of reaching an agreement on the legislative proposal in question; calls on the Council to fully comply with this judgment; calls for all EU institutions to fully comply with the judgment of the Court of Justice of the European Union in Case T-540/15 on access to trilogue documents;

Or. en
Amendment 381
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 n (new)

37 n. Is of the opinion that the categories of documents which are to be directly accessible through Parliament's public register shall include preparatory legislative documents, no matter if authored by the Parliament alone or together with the other institutions, such as political and technical trilogue documents, including all versions of the joint multi-column document referred to in the Code of Conduct for negotiating in the context of the ordinary legislative procedure;

Or. en

Amendment 382
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 o (new)

37 o. Calls for a revision of Article 42c of the Staff Regulations on the leave in the interests of the service, which allows for non-transparent early retirement of some staff of the EU institutions; regrets the Parliament’s refusal to grant access to the data of the compensations for its staff on leave in the interests of the service;

Or. en

Amendment 383
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 p (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 p. Calls for a mandatory training on transparency, integrity and financial rules, compliance, conduct and whistleblowing for all MEPs, their offices and staff;

Or. en

Amendment 384
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37 q (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

37 q. Stresses that the lack of a coherent and comprehensive set of codified rules of good administration across the Union makes it difficult for citizens and businesses to easily and fully understand their rights under Union law; emphasizes, therefore, that codifying rules of good administration in the form of a regulation setting out the various aspects of the administrative procedure - including notifications, binding time limits, the right to be heard, and the right for every person to have access to his or her file - is tantamount to reinforcing citizens' rights and transparency; believes that this regulation would bring more accessibility, clarity and coherence to the interpretation of existing rules, for the benefit of citizens and businesses and of the administration and its officials;

Or. en
Amendment 385
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 38

38. Welcomes the Commission’s proposed package on the defence of democracy, including a directive, aimed at introducing common transparency and accountability standards for interest representation services directed or paid for from outside the EU, contributing to the proper functioning of the internal market and protecting the EU democratic sphere from covert outside interference;

Amendment

38. Welcomes the Commission’s announced package on the defence of democracy, including a directive, aimed at introducing common transparency and accountability standards for interest representation services directed or paid for from outside the EU, contributing to the proper functioning of the internal market and protecting the EU democratic sphere from covert outside interference; notes, however, that such a law should aim to create a level playing field for interest representation in the European Union; believes thus that the introduction of a mandatory registration for all professional and regularly active interest representatives towards all EU institutions could serve to protect the EU institutions from non-transparent interest representation, which poses a high risk of corruption and a risk to the integrity of the EU institutions;

Or. en

Amendment 386
Morten Lokkegaard, Petras Aušrevičius, Anna Júlia Donáth, Bart Groothuis, Nathalie Loiseau

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 38

38. Welcomes the Commission’s proposed package on the defence of democracy, including a directive, aimed at

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38. Welcomes the Commission’s proposed package on the defence of democracy, including a directive, aimed at
introducing common transparency and accountability standards for interest representation services directed or paid for from outside the EU, contributing to the proper functioning of the internal market and protecting the EU democratic sphere from covert outside interference; in this regard, calls on the Commission to ensure proper impact assessments are carried out before presenting new recommendations and legislative proposals;

Amendment 387
Aurélie Beigneux, Nicolaus Fest, Jean-Paul Garraud

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 38

Motion for a resolution

38. Welcomes the Commission’s proposed package on the defence of democracy, including a directive, aimed at introducing common transparency and accountability standards for interest representation services directed or paid for from outside the EU, contributing to the proper functioning of the internal market and protecting the EU democratic sphere from covert outside interference;

Amendment

38. Notes the proposal by the Commission for a package on the defence of democracy, including a directive, aimed at introducing common transparency and accountability standards for interest representation services directed or paid for from outside the EU, contributing to the proper functioning of the internal market and protecting the EU democratic sphere from covert outside interference;

Amendment 388
Sabrina Pignedoli, Maria Angela Danzi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Mario Furore, Tiziana Beghin

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 39

Motion for a resolution

39. Welcomes the Commission’s recommendation on covert interference

Amendment

39. Welcomes the Commission’s recommendation on covert interference
from non-EU countries within the framework of the initiative on the defence of democracy, which would complement the directive and establish harmonised transparency requirements for the provision of services from outside the EU; from non-EU countries within the framework of the initiative on the defence of democracy, which would complement the directive and establish harmonised transparency requirements for the provision of services from outside the EU; calls on the Commission to perform an impact assessment before presenting the proposal for a directive, in accordance with its obligations under the interinstitutional agreement on better law-making;

Or. it

Amendment 389
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 39

Motion for a resolution

39. Welcomes the Commission’s recommendation on covert interference from non-EU countries within the framework of the initiative on the defence of democracy, which would complement the directive and establish harmonised transparency requirements for the provision of services from outside the EU; 

Amendment

39. Welcomes the Commission’s recommendation on covert interference from non-EU countries within the framework of the initiative on the defence of democracy, which would complement the directive and establish harmonised transparency requirements for the provision of services from outside the EU; further welcomes the complementing recommendation on secure and resilient elections and the recommendation on increasing support and engagement for civil society organisations;

Or. en

Amendment 390
Balázs Hidvéghi, Jorge Buxadé Villalba, Jean-Paul Garraud, Aurélia Beigneux

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 39 a (new)
39a. Calls for a review of the current rules governing NGOs, particularly those related to their involvement in EU decision-making processes and their financing; calls on the Commission to demand maximum transparency and accountability from all NGOs, with special regard to those that receive EU money, and to stop giving privileges and exemptions to them;

Or. en

Amendment 391
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

40. Welcomes the Commission’s planned anti-corruption package, including the proposal to update the EU rules on fighting corruption through criminal law;

Or. en

Amendment 392
Benoît Lutgen, Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40a (new)

40a. Calls on the Member States to consider foreign interference in the
democratic processes of the European Union as interference in the democratic process of their own State; affirms the need for solidarity between the Member States and the European institutions in order to be able to fight effectively against this type of act; calls for Article 222 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to be amended to include foreign interference;

Amendment 393
Aurélie Beigneux, Nicolaus Fest, Jean-Paul Garraud

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41

Motion for a resolution

41. Calls on the Commission to come forward with a legislative proposal to amend the current EU global human rights sanctions regime by extending its scope to include acts of corruption; underlines the importance of ensuring that this EU legislation also targets economic and financial sources of corruption and human rights abuses;

deleted

Amendment 394
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41

Motion for a resolution

41. Calls on the Commission to come forward with a legislative proposal to amend the current EU global human rights sanctions regime by extending its scope to include acts of corruption;

deleted
underlines the importance of ensuring that this EU legislation also targets economic and financial sources of corruption and human rights abuses;
procedure and codes of conduct of the institutions; reiterates Parliament’s intention to unilaterally ensure that MEPs have swift, easy and systematic access to advice on possible conflicts of interest from the Advisory Committee on the Conduct of Members; underlines that this should only be a temporary solution, to be in place prior to the establishment of the independent EU ethics body; the Code of Conduct for Members and other rules adopted by Parliament and its bodies by investigating and proposing sanctions, as well as more consistency with regard to ethical obligations between the different rules of procedure and codes of conduct of the institutions; reiterates Parliament’s intention to unilaterally ensure that MEPs have swift, easy and systematic access to advice on possible conflicts of interest from the Advisory Committee on the Conduct of Members; underlines that this should only be a temporary solution, to be in place prior to the establishment of the independent EU ethics body; supports a design that is open to the participation of all institutions and agencies of the EU, yet stresses, in light of the upcoming European elections, the need to finalise the negotiations on the body’s structure, governance, name, composition and powers and ensure the body is fully operational by the end of the year; is of the opinion that while Parliament stands open to a broad participation, Commission and Parliament shall ensure the negotiations are not delayed by other institutions;
procedure and codes of conduct of the institutions; reiterates Parliament’s intention to unilaterally ensure that MEPs have swift, easy and systematic access to advice on possible conflicts of interest from the Advisory Committee on the Conduct of Members; underlines that this should only be a temporary solution, to be in place prior to the establishment of the independent EU ethics body; promptly agree on the terms of its establishment in order to harmonise and ensure more consistency with regard to ethical obligations between the different rules of procedure and codes of conduct of the institutions; reiterates Parliament’s intention to unilaterally ensure that MEPs have swift, easy and systematic access to advice on possible conflicts of interest from the Advisory Committee on the Conduct of Members; underlines that this should only be a temporary solution, to be in place prior to the establishment of the independent EU ethics body; regrets that the measures adopted so far by the Parliament do not include proposals for a credible reform of the Advisory Committee on the Conduct of Members; commits to reforming the Advisory Committee in line with its proposal for an independent ethics body, until the independent EU ethics body is able to take over the Advisory Committee’s current role; 

Amendment 398
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, Mercedes Bresso, Tonino Picula

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42

42. Welcomes the Commission’s commitment, in February 2023, to swiftly drawing up a proposal on the establishment of an independent, interinstitutional EU ethics body; calls for the institutions to promptly agree on the terms of its establishment in order to ensure more consistency with regard to ethical obligations between the different rules of procedure and codes of conduct of the institutions; reiterates Parliament’s intention to unilaterally ensure that MEPs

42. Welcomes the Commission’s commitment, in February 2023, to swiftly drawing up a proposal on the establishment of an independent, interinstitutional EU ethics body; expects the inter-institutional negotiations on the Ethics Body to be successfully concluded by summer 2023, as requested in the EP resolution on the establishment of an independent EU ethics body of 16 February 2023; Insists that the Ethics Body shall be established by an IIA
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42

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Kovatchev, Sabine Verheyen, Javier Zarzalejos

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

42 a. Calls on the EEAS and EU Delegations in third countries to strengthen further their respective capacities in fighting and countering disinformation and propaganda linked to influencing EU’s CFSP as well as the European Parliament’s role in CFSP; recalls that a pro-active strategic communication is key in countering and eliminating undue foreign influence in the EU; in this regard, underlines the importance of strengthening interinstitutional relations and cooperation;

Or. en

Amendment 401
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

42 a. Recalls that the ethics body should have the right to begin investigations on its own and to conduct on-the-spot and records-based investigations using the information that it has collected or that it has received from third parties; recalls that the body should also have the possibility to check the veracity of declarations of financial interests and assets;

Or. en

Amendment 402

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Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, Mercedes Bresso

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

42 a. Believes that the independent EU Ethics Body should be given appropriate investigative powers, as well as the power to request and have access to administrative documents, in order to allow it to carry out well-reasoned and well-documented assessments;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 403

Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Włodzimierz Cimoszewicz, Mercedes Bresso

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

42 b. Considers that the principle of the separation of powers should be respected while establishing the functions of the new Body, laying down distinct rights and obligations for each institution; calls for procedural guarantees and the respect the principles of presumption of innocence, the right to be heard Statute of Members and notably the freedom of mandate to be respected; is of the opinion that the Ethics Body shall not duplicate or interfere with the work of OLAF, the EPPO, the European Ombudsman, the European Court of Auditors or the European Court of Justice;

Amendment

Or. en

Amendment 404

Clare Daly
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42 b (new)

42 b. Notes that in its December resolution, Parliament called for the Transparency Register to be made mandatory; deplores that no further steps have been proposed to that effect and calls in particular for the development of enforcement measures and sanctions procedures for violations of the rules of the register;

Or. en

Amendment 405
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42 c (new)

42 c. Reaffirms that the decision on conflicts of interest of designated Commissioners prior to hearings remains a democratic and institutional competence of Parliament's Committee on Legal Affairs;

Or. en

Amendment 406
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42 d (new)

42 d. Calls on the institutions to promptly agree on the terms of its establishment in order to ensure more coherence on ethical obligations between
the different rules of procedures or in Code of Conduct of the institutions; welcomes the European Parliament’s intention to unilaterally ensure that Members get advice, easily and speedily, on possible conflicts of interests on a systematic basis from the Advisory Committee on the Conduct of Members; underlines that this solution should only be temporary prior the establishment of the independent EU Ethics Body;

Amendment 407
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 43

43. Calls on the Secretariat of the Transparency Register to ban any entities with direct or indirect relations with the Government of the Russian Federation, pursuant to the Council Decision of 3 June 2022 concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia’s actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine\(^{10}\) and the conduct of Russia’s illegal war against Ukraine; calls for a similar approach to be applied when it comes to entities linked with China;

Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 43

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 409
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 43

Motion for a resolution

43. Calls on the Secretariat of the Transparency Register to ban any entities with direct or indirect relations with the Government of the Russian Federation, pursuant to the Council Decision of 3 June

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2022 concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia’s actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine and the conduct of Russia’s illegal war against Ukraine; calls for a similar approach to be applied when it comes to entities linked with China;


Amendment 410
Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 43 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

43 a. Calls for the reformation of the EU Transparency Register to include automatic and immediate suspension from the EU Transparency Register whenever the registered person or organisation represents, directly or as an intermediary, interests of governments, dependent entities or companies in strategic sectors of countries under judicial investigation for foreign interference or conflicts of interest, in order to prevent them from being in contact with legislators and the executive during EU policy making and implementation; also calls for a prohibition on re-registration as a sanction when the facts under investigation are deemed to be proven;

Or. en
Amendment 411
Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 43 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

43 b. Calls for the Union's mandatory Transparency Register to be strengthened with human and material resources as well as rules, so that it can act and take effective action when registered interest representatives, or those they represent, are under investigation;

Or. en

Amendment 412
Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Anna Júlia Donáth

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 43 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

43 c. Suggests that the rules and principles that make up the Code of Conduct applicable to interest representatives listed in the Transparency Register be amended to add abuse of registration for geo-strategic and reputational gain to the list of reprehensible conducts envisaged, in particular to that already envisaged in point (d), which provides for abuse for commercial gain; also suggests including a point against the use of the register to carry out aggressive interference operations against our democracies or to facilitate situations of conflict of interest in the institutions;

Or. en
Amendment 413
Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 43 d (new)

43 d. Calls for the EU Transparency Register to present its annual report to the European Parliament in order to report on incidents and needs related to the risk of foreign interference and for recommendations to be drawn up to improve its functioning and ensure transparency in decision-making and the legislative process;

Amendment 414
Heidi Hautala
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 44

44. Calls for the conditions governing MEPs’ exercise of parliamentary immunity to be harmonised between the different Member States; calls, in this respect, for a review of Protocol No 7 to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union on the privileges and immunities of the European Union;

Amendment 415
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45
45. Resolves to strengthen its dialogue and cooperation with the intelligence, judicial and law enforcement authorities of the three Member States in which it is located, in order to ensure Parliament’s security and protect it against attempted interference from non-EU countries; calls for appropriate cooperation with other Member State security services, as deemed necessary;

Amendment
45. Resolves to strengthen its dialogue and cooperation with the intelligence, judicial and law enforcement authorities of the three Member States in which it is located, in order to ensure the European Parliament’s security and integrity and protect it against attempted interference from non-EU countries; calls for appropriate cooperation with other Member State security services, as deemed necessary;

Or. en

Amendment 416
Benoît Lutgen, Vladimír Bilčík

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45 a (new)

45 a. Calls on the security services of every Member States to systematically notify the competent European authorities and the security services of the States in which the European Parliament is located of any information they may obtain relating to foreign interference in the democratic processes in the Union;

Amendment
45 a. Recommends a much stronger cooperation among the Member States’

Or. en

Amendment 417
Lukas Mandl

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45 a (new)
intelligence bodies;

Amendment 418
Benoît Lutgen, Vladimír Bilčík
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45 b (new)

45 b. Calls on the Member States to supplement their criminal legislation in order to introduce the offense of foreign interference, including in the democratic process within the European institutions;

Amendment 419
Lukas Mandl
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45 b (new)

45 b. Requests much more capacity in the field of intelligence for the European External Action Service (EEAS);

Amendment 420
Lukas Mandl
Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 45 c (new)

45 c. Requests a fully-fledged involvement of the European Parliament
46. Calls for the EU institutions to work towards tighter internal regulations among the Member States regarding the procurement of spyware and surveillance tools from non-EU countries; notes that the EU should use existing regulatory measures to hold malign international operators in the commercial spyware and surveillance technologies industries legally accountable; and ban the import and export of EU made spyware to governments that commit serious human rights violations;

Amendment 422
Clare Daly

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46

46. Calls for the EU institutions to work towards tighter internal regulations among the Member States regarding the procurement of spyware and surveillance tools from non-EU countries and the export of spyware and surveillance tools to non-EU countries; notes that the EU should use existing regulatory measures to
surveillance technologies industries legally accountable; hold malign international operators in the commercial spyware and surveillance technologies industries legally accountable;

Amendment 423
Andreas Schieder, Nacho Sánchez Amor, Mercedes Bresso

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46

46. Calls for the EU institutions to work towards tighter internal regulations among the Member States regarding the procurement of spyware and surveillance tools from non-EU countries; notes that the EU should use existing regulatory measures to hold malign international operators in the commercial spyware and surveillance technologies industries legally accountable;

Or. en

Amendment 424
Nathalie Loiseau, Abir Al-Sahlani, Morten Løkkegaard, Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Iskra Mihaylova

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46 a (new)

46 a. Calls Parliament to revise the list of sanctionable activities for Members on the basis of this report; calls for appropriate warnings and reminders to be put in place for MEPs who do not comply and, after a reasonable delay, appropriate sanctions; notes in particular the need to adapt the rules of procedures of the European Parliament in order to allow
for penalties beyond the disruption of the plenary session;

Amendment 425
Maite Pagazaurtundúa, Sandro Gozi, Anna Júlia Donáth

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 46 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

46 a. Recalls that existing EU measures against Russian TV channels should be fully implemented to counter Russian propaganda more effectively;

Or. en