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**Amendment 22**

**Philippe Lamberts**

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

**Joint motion for a resolution**

**PPE, S&D, Renew, Verts/ALE**

EU coordinated action to combat the COVID-19 pandemic and its consequences

**Joint motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 58 a (new)**

*Joint motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***58a. Acknowledges the need to mobilise additional funds in a fast and non-bureaucratic way to help Member States meet the needs for fighting against COVID-19 and its consequences but stresses that potential misuse of such funds needs to be investigated with enforceable sanctions once the immediate crisis has ended; considers therefore that an enhanced MFF must include adequate resources for the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO) so as to enable it to gain citizens' trust, fight fraud, seize assets and thereby become budget-neutral in the medium term; asks that its budget be financed through Heading 7 (European Public Administration), in a similar way to the European Data Protection Supervisor, the European External Action Service or the European Ombudsman, so as to strengthen its independence;***

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**Amendment 23**

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**Joint motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 31 a (new)**

*Joint motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***31a. Underlines that homeless people and other people in precarious housing situations are particularly at risk in the COVID-19 crisis and can often not practice social distancing or follow other protective measures; urges the EU and Member States to implement targeted measures to protect the homeless and to provide financial assistance to those NGOs and local authorities providing frontline assistance, to suspend evictions and to support tenants and mortgage-owners;***

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**Amendment 24**

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**Joint motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 44 a (new)**

*Joint motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***44a. Advocates that emergency measures adopted by third countries in response to the COVID-19 crisis not violate human rights nor international law, that they be limited to strictly necessary, proportionate measures, and that they be subject to regular scrutiny and time bound; condemns censorship, arrests and intimidation of journalists, opposition figures, healthcare workers and other individuals for criticising governments, including their crisis management; calls for the EU to support a global campaign to release political prisoners and detained human rights defenders and low-risk offenders;***

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**Amendment 25**

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**Joint motion for a resolution**

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**Joint motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 47 a (new)**

*Joint motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***47a. Calls for increased EU support to the Western Balkans (e.g. through their inclusion in the EU Solidarity Fund and exemption from the temporary export authorisation scheme for protective equipment), and for strengthening the visibility of this support in order to demonstrate the EU's solidarity with these countries and peoples; calls for a special focus on minorities with low access to healthcare services such as the Romani people;***

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## **Amendment 26**

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### **Joint motion for a resolution**

**PPE, S&D, Renew, Verts/ALE**

EU coordinated action to combat the COVID-19 pandemic and its consequences

### **Joint motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 30**

##### *Joint motion for a resolution*

30. Calls on the Commission and the Member States to prioritise aid and crisis-mitigation measures for the most vulnerable citizens, women and children exposed to domestic violence, the elderly, people with disabilities, ethnic minorities and people from remote and isolated regions, including the Overseas Countries and Territories and outermost regions by means of a dedicated exceptional support fund focused on the healthcare system and sectors hit by the COVID-19 outbreak, and people at risk of poverty or social exclusion, who all run the greatest risk of being infected with COVID-19 but also suffer the most from its economic effects; calls for a comprehensive anti-poverty strategy, with a European Child Guarantee; urges the EU and the Member States to incorporate a gender analysis across all response efforts in order to avoid exacerbating gender inequalities, to ensure that services for victims of violence remain open, and to reinforce helpline services, emergency shelters for victims, online legal support and reporting services in order to combat and protect all women and children from domestic and gender-based violence;

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##### *Amendment*

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*need to be in line with the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, ensuring equal and non-discriminatory access to social and healthcare services, as well as adopting specific measures aiming at the protection of persons with disabilities, based on consultations and involvement of persons with disabilities, through their representative family members or organisations, when adopting measures that affect them;*

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**Amendment 27**

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**Joint motion for a resolution**

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**Joint motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 30 a (new)**

*Joint motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***30a. Insists that Member States should give particular attention to equal access to healthcare, especially non-discrimination in access to medical treatment and urgent care, ensuring the rights of persons living in residential institutions, who are more at risk of infection, in particular the elderly and persons with disabilities, and ensuring that community-based care and support services, needed by these persons on a daily basis, are funded and well equipped and staffed, insists also that confinement measures should take into account the needs of persons with disabilities, that public information concerning the COVID-19 pandemic should be accessible to the widest range of persons with disabilities, and that persons with disabilities should be included in all income protection measures;***

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**Amendment 28**

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**Joint motion for a resolution**

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**Joint motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 34 a (new)**

*Joint motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***34a. Calls for support to be provided, both at EU and national level, to the cultural and creative sectors as they are severely affected by the current crises and play an important role for our economy, as well as for our social life; highlights that the current crisis has shown that our educational systems are not as resilient as they should be and therefore considers it essential that educational infrastructure, online and offline, be significantly upgraded and that educators and pupils be provided with the necessary skills and equipment for home schooling situations; welcomes in that regard the initiative of the Commission to revise and update the Digital Education Action Plan; considers it, however, not enough and calls on the Commission and the Member States to come up with a coordinated investment plan in order to improve our education systems;***

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## **Amendment 29**

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### **Joint motion for a resolution**

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EU coordinated action to combat the COVID-19 pandemic and its consequences

### **Joint motion for a resolution**

#### **Paragraph 11**

#### *Joint motion for a resolution*

11. Welcomes the Commission's initiative of directing funds from the EU research programme towards the fight against the virus by ensuring that the treatments, vaccines and diagnostics are globally available, accessible and affordable; calls for the establishment of additional funding for a 'COVID-19 research and innovation (R&I) fund' to boost its efforts to finance speedy research on a vaccine and/or treatment; believes that Europe's researchers, innovative SMEs and industry should get every support they need to find a cure; calls on the Member States to significantly increase support for research, development and innovation programmes aimed at understanding the disease, speeding up diagnosis and testing, and developing a vaccine; calls on hospitals and researchers to share data with the EMA, and to enter into large-scale European clinical trials; highlights the need to support measures favouring open science in order to accelerate the sharing of data and research results within the scientific community in Europe and beyond; insists that any publically funded research must stay in the public domain;

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#### *Amendment*

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***urges the Commission to call on Member***

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*States to issue compulsory licences suspending the monopoly effect of patents that could restrict testing, production and distribution of novel treatments, vaccines and diagnostics, and to facilitate the import of medicines produced in other countries; considers that there is an overriding public interest in the disclosure of clinical trials' results and calls on the Commission to waive the granting of market exclusivity, in order to accelerate the generic production and supply of lifesaving pharmaceuticals; urges the Commission to collaborate in international coordination mechanisms on manufacturing, supply and access to vaccines, diagnostics and treatments;*

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**Amendment 30**

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**Joint motion for a resolution**

**Paragraph 51 a (new)**

*Joint motion for a resolution*

*Amendment*

***51a. Is convinced that corporate human rights and environmental due diligence are necessary conditions in order to prevent and mitigate future crises and ensure sustainable value chains;***

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