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Amendment 1
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital A

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

A. whereas Albania has made impressive progress over the last years on its path to EU accession and therefore was granted candidate country status;

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Or. it

Amendment 2
Marine Le Pen, Aymeric Chauprade, Nicolas Bay, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital A

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

A. whereas Albania has made impressive progress over the last years on its path to EU accession and therefore was granted candidate country status;

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Or. fr

Amendment 3
Monica Macovei

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital A

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

A. whereas Albania has made impressive progress over the last years on its path to EU accession and therefore was granted candidate country status;

A. whereas Albania has made impressive progress over the last years on its path to EU accession and therefore was granted candidate country status *in June 2014*;

Amendment 4
Georgios Epitideios

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital A

Draft motion for a resolution

A. whereas Albania has made *impressive* progress over the last years on its path to EU accession and therefore was granted candidate country status;

Amendment

A. whereas Albania has made progress over the last years on its path to EU accession and therefore was granted candidate country status;

Or. el

Amendment 5
Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš, Javier Nart

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital A

Draft motion for a resolution

A. whereas Albania has made impressive progress over the last years on its path to EU accession and therefore was granted candidate country status;

Amendment

A. whereas Albania has made impressive progress over the last years on its path to EU accession and therefore was granted candidate country status; *whereas challenges still persist and need to be addressed swiftly and efficiently in order to make further progress on the path to EU membership;*

Or. en

Amendment 6
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital B

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. whereas consistent adoption and effective implementation of sustainable reforms on the five key priorities serve Albania's democratic transformation and pave the way to open EU accession negotiations;

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Or. it

Amendment 7

Marine Le Pen, Aymeric Chauprade, Nicolas Bay, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft motion for a resolution

Recital B

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. whereas consistent adoption and effective implementation of sustainable reforms on the five key priorities serve Albania's democratic transformation ***and pave the way to open EU accession negotiations;***

B. whereas consistent adoption and effective implementation of sustainable reforms on the five key priorities serve Albania's democratic transformation;

Or. fr

Amendment 8

Victor Boştinaru

Draft motion for a resolution

Recital B

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

B. whereas consistent adoption and effective implementation of sustainable reforms on the five key priorities serve Albania's democratic transformation and pave the way to open EU accession negotiations;

B. whereas consistent adoption and effective implementation of sustainable reforms on the five key priorities serve Albania's democratic transformation and pave the way to open EU accession negotiations; ***whereas the opening of the accession negotiations would be an***

incentive to further EU-related reforms by showing a more concrete EU commitment;

Or. en

Amendment 9
Tanja Fajon, Knut Fleckenstein

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital B

Draft motion for a resolution

B. whereas consistent adoption and effective implementation of sustainable reforms on the five key priorities serve Albania's democratic transformation and pave the way to open EU accession negotiations;

Amendment

B. whereas consistent adoption and effective implementation of sustainable reforms on the five key priorities serve Albania's democratic transformation and pave the way to open EU accession negotiations; *whereas the opening of accession negotiations would boost EU-related reforms by offering a tangible and credible EU perspective;*

Or. en

Amendment 10
Kati Piri

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital B

Draft motion for a resolution

B. whereas consistent adoption and effective implementation of sustainable reforms on the five key priorities serve Albania's democratic transformation and pave the way to open EU accession negotiations;

Amendment

B. whereas consistent adoption and effective implementation of sustainable reforms on the five key priorities serve Albania's democratic transformation and pave the way to open EU accession negotiations; *whereas the timetable of the accession process will be determined by the speed and quality of reforms in Albania;*

Amendment 11
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital B

Draft motion for a resolution

B. whereas consistent adoption and effective implementation of sustainable reforms on the five key priorities serve Albania's democratic transformation and pave the way to open EU accession negotiations;

Amendment

B. whereas consistent adoption and effective implementation of sustainable reforms on the five key priorities serve Albania's democratic transformation and pave the way to open EU accession negotiations; ***whereas the EU accession process has become a driving force for reforms in Albania;***

Amendment 12
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital C

Draft motion for a resolution

C. whereas EU accession is an inclusive process that belongs to the whole country and all its citizens; whereas lack of sustainable political dialogue may hamper further progress in the accession process; whereas Albania needs a national consensus on the reform agenda;

Amendment

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Amendment 13
Marine Le Pen, Aymeric Chauprade, Nicolas Bay, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital C

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

C. whereas EU accession is an inclusive process that belongs to the whole country and all its citizens; whereas lack of sustainable political dialogue may hamper further progress in the accession process; whereas Albania needs a national consensus on the reform agenda;

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Or. fr

Amendment 14
Tanja Fajon, Knut Fleckenstein

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital C

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

C. whereas EU accession is an inclusive process that belongs to the whole country and all its citizens; whereas **lack of** sustainable political dialogue **may hamper further** progress **in the** accession process; whereas **Albania needs a national** consensus **on the reform agenda;**

C. whereas EU accession is an inclusive process that belongs to the whole country and all its citizens; whereas **constructive and** sustainable political dialogue **on EU-related reforms is vital for** progress **towards EU** accession; whereas **there is a political** consensus **and wide public support on the EU integration process;**

Or. en

Amendment 15
Victor Boştinaru

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital C

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

C. whereas EU accession is an inclusive process that belongs to the whole country

C. whereas EU accession is an inclusive process that belongs to the whole country

and all its citizens; whereas *lack of sustainable political dialogue may hamper further progress in the accession process*; whereas Albania needs a national consensus on the reform agenda;

and all its citizens; whereas *there is a wide public support on the EU integration process*, Albania *still* needs a national *political* consensus on the reform agenda; whereas *constructive and sustainable political dialogue on EU-related reforms is vital for further progress in the accession process*;

Or. en

Amendment 16
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital C

Draft motion for a resolution

C. whereas EU accession is an inclusive process that belongs to the whole country and all its citizens; whereas lack of sustainable political dialogue may hamper further progress in the accession process; whereas *Albania needs a national consensus on the reform agenda*;

Amendment

C. whereas EU accession is an inclusive process that belongs to the whole country and all its citizens; whereas lack of sustainable political dialogue may hamper further progress in the accession process; whereas *the success of the reform agenda strongly depends on the existence of a democratic and constructive political environment*;

Or. en

Amendment 17
Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Ivo Vajgl, Jozo Radoš

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital C

Draft motion for a resolution

C. whereas EU accession is an inclusive process that belongs to the whole country and all its citizens; whereas lack of sustainable political dialogue may hamper further progress in the accession process;

Amendment

C. whereas EU accession is an inclusive process that belongs to the whole country and all its citizens; whereas lack of sustainable political dialogue may hamper further progress in the accession process;

whereas Albania needs a national consensus on the reform agenda;

whereas the political forces need to promote a spirit of dialogue, cooperation and compromise as a matter of urgency, primarily in the field of relations between the two major political forces; whereas Albania needs a national consensus on the reform agenda;

Or. en

Amendment 18
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital C a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

Ca. whereas significant steps in reforming and implementing reforms of the judicial system need to be made; whereas, despite progress achieved, fight against corruption and organized crime remain serious challenges; whereas freedom of expression and independence of media still need to be guaranteed;

Or. en

Amendment 19
Javier Nart, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Ivo Vajgl

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital C b (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

Cb. whereas the rights of minorities should be further advanced, especially those of the Roma and the Serbian minorities and other vulnerable groups;

Or. en

Amendment 20

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Hilde Vautmans, Ivo Vajgl, Jozo Radoš

Draft motion for a resolution

Recital C c (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

Cc. whereas the rights of minorities should be further advanced, especially those of the Roma minority and other vulnerable groups;

Or. en

Amendment 21

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Ivo Vajgl, Jozo Radoš, Javier Nart

Draft motion for a resolution

Recital C d (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

Cd. whereas the European Parliament has played an important role in efforts to establish a healthy political climate in the country;

Or. en

Amendment 22

Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution

Recital D

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

D. whereas Albania's relations with neighbours are constructive and its alignment with EU foreign policy

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exemplary;

Or. it

Amendment 23

Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution

Recital D

Draft motion for a resolution

D. whereas Albania's relations with neighbours are constructive *and its alignment with EU foreign policy exemplary;*

Amendment

D. whereas Albania's relations with neighbours are constructive;

Or. de

Amendment 24

Georgios Epitideios

Draft motion for a resolution

Recital D

Draft motion for a resolution

D. whereas Albania's relations with neighbours *are constructive and its alignment with EU foreign policy exemplary;*

Amendment

D. whereas Albania's relations with neighbours *(in particular Greece) have been unsettled by recent manifestations of territorial expansionism;*

Or. el

Amendment 25

Demetris Papadakis, Nikos Androulakis

Draft motion for a resolution

Recital D a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

Da. whereas the rights of minorities should be further advanced; whereas further efforts are needed to implement commitments regarding the protection of minorities throughout Albania's territory, including the implementation of relevant recommendations of the Advisory Committee on the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities of the Council of Europe;

Or. en

Amendment 26
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital D b (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

Db. whereas the EU has put the rule of law at the core of its enlargement process; whereas tangible progress in the independence of the judiciary and the fight against corruption and organized crime is essential for advancing in the EU integration process; whereas strong political support is the key to achieving progress in these areas;

Or. en

Amendment 27
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital D c (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

Dc. whereas the existence of a professional, effective and merit-based public administration is a backbone of the integration process for any country that aspires to become an EU member;

Or. en

Amendment 28
Nikos Androulakis

Draft motion for a resolution
Recital D d (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

Dd. whereas progress in the protection of property rights remains limited; whereas technical standards of legal ownership needs to be developed towards ending conflictual or unclear cases;

Or. en

Amendment 29
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

1. Commends Albania for obtaining candidate country status; stresses that this should be seen as an encouragement to intensify even more the reform efforts; believes that continued political will and concrete actions are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing EU-related

deleted

reforms;

Or. it

Amendment 30

Marine Le Pen, Aymeric Chauprade, Nicolas Bay, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Draft motion for a resolution

1. *Commends Albania for obtaining candidate country status; stresses that this should be seen as an encouragement to intensify even more the reform efforts; believes that continued political will and concrete actions are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing EU-related reforms;*

Amendment

1. *Notes that Albania has obtained candidate country status; stresses, however, that consolidation of democratic reform and continuation of reform are perfectly possible outside the accession process;*

Or. fr

Amendment 31

James Carver

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 1

Draft motion for a resolution

1. *Commends Albania for obtaining candidate country status; stresses that this should be seen as an encouragement to intensify even more the reform efforts; believes that continued political will and concrete actions are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing EU-related reforms;*

Amendment

1. *Believes that continued political will and concrete actions are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation;*

Amendment 32
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Draft motion for a resolution

1. **Commends** Albania **for obtaining** candidate country status; **stresses that this should be seen as an encouragement to intensify even more the reform efforts**; believes that continued political will and concrete actions are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing **EU-related** reforms;

Amendment

1. **Notes that** Albania **has obtained** candidate country status; believes that continued political will and concrete actions are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing reforms;

Amendment 33
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Draft motion for a resolution

1. Commends Albania for obtaining candidate country status; stresses that this should be seen as an encouragement to intensify even more the reform efforts; believes that **continued** political **will and concrete actions** are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing EU-related reforms;

Amendment

1. Commends Albania for obtaining candidate country status; stresses that this should be seen as an encouragement to intensify even more the reform efforts; believes that **concrete measures and sustained** political **commitment to implement them** are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing EU-related reforms;

Amendment 34
Davor Ivo Stier

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Draft motion for a resolution

1. Commends Albania for obtaining candidate country status; stresses that this should be seen as an encouragement to intensify even more the reform efforts; believes that continued political will and concrete actions are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing EU-related reforms;

Amendment

1. Commends Albania for obtaining candidate country status; stresses that this should be seen as an encouragement to intensify even more the reform efforts; believes that continued political will and concrete actions are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing EU-related reforms, *in particular in the field of justice and fight against corruption*;

Or. en

Amendment 35
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Draft motion for a resolution

1. Commends Albania for obtaining candidate country status; stresses that this should be seen as an encouragement to intensify even more the reform efforts; believes that continued political will and concrete actions are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing EU-related reforms;

Amendment

1. Commends Albania for obtaining candidate country status; stresses that this should be seen as an encouragement to intensify even more the reform efforts; believes that continued political will and concrete actions are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing EU-related reforms; *expresses its continuous support for the EU integration process of Albania*;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Tamás Meszerics
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1

Draft motion for a resolution

1. Commends Albania for obtaining candidate country status; stresses that this should be seen as an encouragement to intensify even more the reform efforts; believes that continued political will and concrete actions are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing EU-related reforms;

Amendment

1. Commends Albania for obtaining candidate country status; stresses that this should be seen as an encouragement to intensify even more the reform efforts; believes that continued political will and concrete actions are necessary to address the challenges of successfully consolidating the democratic transformation and pursuing EU-related reforms; ***encourages Albania to establish a solid track record with regard to EU-related reforms;***

Or. en

Amendment 37
Tamás Meszerics
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 1 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

1a. Regrets that the President of the Commission, Jean-Claude Juncker, has promoted the idea that no further enlargement would take place over the next five years; believes that such statement could undermine the EU's credibility in the Western Balkan region, set a dangerous precedent and strategically weaken the perception of the Union in a more and more instable Eastern neighbourhood; recalls the

decision taken by the EU heads of state and government at the Thessaloniki European Council in 2003 stating that all Western Balkan countries have a continued perspective as EU Member State; reminds that only such a perspective can motivate the countries concerned, which are geographically surrounded by EU Member States, to undertake the necessary reforms and bring them in line with the EU acquis;

Or. en

Amendment 38
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Considers it essential to sustain genuine political cooperation among all parties, which includes fair competition for better political ideas and concepts, and to work towards a political culture that is based on the understanding that democratic political processes are built on a dialogue that seeks to find compromises; is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions;

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Or. it

Amendment 39
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Draft motion for a resolution

2. *Considers it essential to sustain* genuine political cooperation among all parties, which *includes fair competition for better political ideas and concepts, and to work towards a political culture that is based on the understanding that democratic political processes are built on a dialogue that seeks to find compromises*; is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions;

Amendment

2. *Strongly underlines the importance of* genuine political cooperation among all *political* parties, which *needs to be sustained by a true commitment towards constructing a democratic* political culture, *which includes openness to dialogue, the ability to search and accept compromises and fair competition*; is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions;

Or. en

Amendment 40

Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Draft motion for a resolution

2. Considers it *essential* to sustain genuine political cooperation among all parties, which includes fair competition for better political ideas and concepts, and to work towards a political culture that is based on the understanding that democratic political processes are built on a dialogue that seeks to find compromises; is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions;

Amendment

2. Considers it *necessary* to sustain genuine political cooperation among all parties, which includes fair competition for better political ideas and concepts, and to work towards a political culture that is based on the understanding that democratic political processes are built on a dialogue that seeks to find compromises; is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions;

Or. de

Amendment 41

Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Draft motion for a resolution

2. Considers it essential to sustain genuine political cooperation among all parties, which includes fair competition for better political ideas and concepts, and to work towards a political culture that is based on the understanding that democratic political processes are built on a dialogue that seeks to find compromises; is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions;

Amendment

2. Considers it essential to sustain ***and support*** genuine political cooperation among all parties, which includes fair competition for better political ideas and concepts, and to work towards a political culture that is based on the understanding that democratic political processes are built on a dialogue that seeks to find compromises; is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions ***and the integration process***;

Or. en

Amendment 42

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš, Javier Nart

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Draft motion for a resolution

2. Considers it essential to sustain genuine political cooperation among all parties, which includes fair competition for better political ideas and concepts, and to work towards a political culture that is based on the understanding that democratic political processes are built on a dialogue that seeks to find compromises; is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions;

Amendment

2. Considers it essential to sustain genuine political cooperation among all parties, which includes fair competition for better political ideas and concepts, and to work towards a political culture that is based on the understanding that democratic political processes are built on a dialogue that seeks to find compromises; ***reminds the ruling coalition to provide the opposition the possibility of exercising its right of democratic control***; is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions;

Or. en

Amendment 43

Monica Macovei

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Draft motion for a resolution

2. Considers it essential to sustain genuine political cooperation among all parties, which includes fair competition for better political ideas and concepts, and to work towards a political culture that is based on the understanding that democratic political processes are built on a dialogue that seeks to find compromises; is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions;

Amendment

2. Considers it essential to sustain genuine political cooperation among all parties, which includes fair competition for better political ideas and concepts, and to work towards a political culture that is based on the understanding that democratic political processes are built on a dialogue that seeks to find compromises; ***urges the opposition to fully perform its democratic control function;*** is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions;

Or. en

Amendment 44

Ivo Vajgl, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Javier Nart, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Jozo Radoš, Hilde Vautmans

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Draft motion for a resolution

2. Considers it essential to sustain genuine political cooperation among all parties, which includes fair competition for better political ideas and concepts, and to work towards a political culture that is based on the understanding that democratic political processes are built on a dialogue that seeks to find compromises; is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions;

Amendment

2. Considers it essential to sustain genuine political cooperation among all parties, which includes fair competition for better political ideas and concepts, and to work towards a political culture that is based on the understanding that democratic political processes are built on a dialogue that seeks to find compromises; is convinced that this will increase citizens' trust in public institutions, ***as well as decrease cases of corruption in the public sector;***

Or. en

Amendment 45
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Welcomes the establishment of joint working groups under the High Level Dialogue on the Key Priorities aimed at building a comprehensive platform for smooth delivery of reforms and monitoring progress on the five key priorities, notably in reforming public administration, reinforcing the judiciary, combating corruption and organised crime as well as in reinforcing the protection of human rights;

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Or. it

Amendment 46
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

3. Welcomes the establishment of joint working groups under the High Level Dialogue on the Key Priorities aimed at building a comprehensive platform for the *smooth* delivery of reforms and monitoring progress on the five key priorities, notably in reforming public administration, reinforcing the judiciary, combating corruption and organised crime as well as in reinforcing the protection of human rights;

3. Notes the establishment of joint working groups under the High Level Dialogue on the Key Priorities aimed at building a comprehensive platform for the delivery of reforms and monitoring progress on the five key priorities, notably in reforming public administration, reinforcing the judiciary, combating corruption and organised crime as well as in reinforcing the protection of human rights;

Or. de

Amendment 47
Demetris Papadakis

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Draft motion for a resolution

3. Welcomes the establishment of joint working groups under the High Level Dialogue on the Key Priorities aimed at building a comprehensive platform for smooth delivery of reforms and monitoring progress on the five key priorities, notably in reforming public administration, reinforcing the judiciary, combating corruption and organised crime as well as in reinforcing the protection of human rights;

Amendment

3. Welcomes the establishment of joint working groups under the High Level Dialogue on the Key Priorities aimed at building a comprehensive platform for smooth delivery of reforms and monitoring progress on the five key priorities, notably in reforming public administration, reinforcing the judiciary, combating corruption and organised crime as well as in reinforcing the protection of human rights, ***including of minorities, and anti-discrimination policies, as well as implementing property rights;***

Or. en

Amendment 48
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 3

Draft motion for a resolution

3. Welcomes the establishment of joint working groups under the High Level Dialogue on the Key Priorities aimed at building a comprehensive platform for smooth delivery of reforms and monitoring progress on the five key priorities, notably in reforming public administration, reinforcing the judiciary, combating corruption and organised crime as well as in reinforcing the protection of human rights;

Amendment

3. Welcomes the establishment of joint working groups under the High Level Dialogue on the Key Priorities aimed at building a comprehensive platform for smooth delivery of reforms and monitoring progress on the five key priorities, notably in reforming public administration, reinforcing the judiciary, combating corruption and organised crime as well as in reinforcing the protection of human rights; ***encourages the authorities to intensify their work on these priorities and set a track record of their implementation;***

Or. en

Amendment 49
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Calls for the prompt establishment of an inclusive National Council for European Integration to include also representatives of civil society and independent institutions with the aim to ensure broad national consensus on EU-related reforms and in the EU accession process; *deleted*

Or. it

Amendment 50
Marine Le Pen, Aymeric Chauprade, Nicolas Bay, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Calls for the prompt establishment of an inclusive National Council for European Integration to include also representatives of civil society and independent institutions with the aim to ensure broad national consensus on EU-related reforms and in the EU accession process; *deleted*

Or. fr

Amendment 51
James Carver

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Calls for the prompt establishment of an inclusive National Council for European Integration to include also representatives of civil society and independent institutions with the aim to ensure broad national consensus on EU-related reforms and in the EU accession process;

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 52
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Calls for *the prompt establishment of an inclusive National Council for European Integration to include also representatives of civil society and independent institutions with the aim to ensure* broad national consensus on *EU-related reforms and in the* EU accession process;

4. Calls for broad national consensus *regarding future legal reforms, economic growth, and measures to combat corruption and organised crime, independently of, and separate from, efforts to push ahead with* EU accession;

Or. de

Amendment 53
Angel Dzhambazki

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

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4. Calls for the prompt establishment of an inclusive National Council for European Integration to include also representatives *of* civil society and independent institutions with the aim to ensure broad national consensus on EU-related reforms and in the EU accession process;

Amendment

4. Calls for the prompt establishment of an inclusive National Council for European Integration to include also representatives *from the ethnic minorities*, civil society and independent institutions with the aim to ensure broad national consensus on EU-related reforms and in the EU accession process;

Or. bg

Amendment 54
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Draft motion for a resolution

4. Calls for the prompt establishment of an inclusive National Council for European Integration to include also representatives of civil society and independent institutions with the aim to ensure broad national consensus on EU-related reforms and in the EU accession process;

Amendment

4. Calls for the prompt establishment of an inclusive National Council for European Integration to include also representatives of civil society and independent institutions with the aim to ensure broad national consensus *and consultations* on EU-related reforms and in the EU accession process; *invites both the ruling majority and the opposition to sustain cross-party cooperation in adoption and implementation of the key EU related reforms;*

Or. en

Amendment 55
Tonino Picula

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Draft motion for a resolution

4. Calls for the prompt establishment of an inclusive National Council for European Integration to include also representatives of civil society and independent institutions with the aim to ensure broad national consensus on EU-related reforms and in the EU accession process;

Amendment

4. Calls for the prompt establishment of an inclusive National Council for European Integration to include also representatives of civil society and independent institutions with the aim to ensure broad national consensus on EU-related reforms and in the EU accession process; ***calls on the appropriate bodies to inform stakeholders and the wider public fully and in due time about the progress of the EU integration process;***

Or. hr

Amendment 56
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Draft motion for a resolution

5. Underlines the role of Parliament as a key democratic institution and therefore calls on competent authorities to strengthen its oversight role; welcomes in this regard the consensual parliamentary resolution of 24 December 2014 in which it was agreed that the opposition returns to parliamentary work, to respect the decisions of the Constitutional Court (CC) and to address the issue of people with criminal records running for public office; calls for its proper implementation in a constructive manner; calls on all political parties to improve democratic consensus building in order to advance in the accession process; considers it important that Albania's civil society, media and citizens hold their leaders accountable for specific policy outcomes;

Amendment

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 57
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

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5. Underlines the role of Parliament as a key democratic institution and therefore calls on competent authorities to strengthen its oversight role; welcomes in this regard the consensual parliamentary resolution of 24 December 2014 in which it was agreed that the opposition returns to parliamentary work, to respect the decisions of the Constitutional Court (CC) and to address the issue of people with criminal records running for public office; calls for its proper implementation in a constructive manner; calls on all political parties to improve democratic consensus building *in order to advance in the accession process; considers it important that Albania's civil society, media and citizens hold their leaders accountable for specific policy outcomes;*

Amendment

5. Underlines the role of Parliament as a key democratic institution and therefore calls on competent authorities to strengthen its oversight role; welcomes in this regard the consensual parliamentary resolution of 24 December 2014 in which it was agreed that the opposition returns to parliamentary work, to respect the decisions of the Constitutional Court (CC) and to address the issue of people with criminal records running for public office; calls for its proper implementation in a constructive manner; calls on all political parties to improve democratic consensus building;

Or. de

Amendment 58
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Draft motion for a resolution

5. Underlines the role of Parliament as a key democratic institution and therefore calls on *competent authorities to strengthen* its oversight role; welcomes in this regard the consensual parliamentary resolution of 24 December 2014 in which it

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was agreed that the opposition returns to parliamentary work, to respect the decisions of the Constitutional Court (CC) and to address the issue of people with criminal records running for public office; calls for its proper implementation in a constructive manner; calls on all political parties to improve democratic consensus building ***in order to*** advance in the accession process; considers it important that Albania's civil society, media and citizens hold their leaders accountable for specific policy outcomes;

opposition returns to parliamentary work ***while governing majority would seek consensus with opposition on important reforms,*** to respect the decisions of the Constitutional Court (CC) and to address the issue of people with criminal records ***holding or*** running for public office; calls for its proper ***and timely*** implementation in a constructive manner; calls on all political parties to improve democratic consensus building ***which is the key to*** advance in the accession process; considers it important that Albania's civil society, media and citizens hold their leaders accountable for specific policy outcomes;

Or. en

Amendment 59

Marine Le Pen, Aymeric Chauprade, Nicolas Bay, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 5

Draft motion for a resolution

5. Underlines the role of Parliament as a key democratic institution and therefore calls on competent authorities to strengthen its oversight role; welcomes in this regard the consensual parliamentary resolution of 24 December 2014 in which it was agreed that the opposition returns to parliamentary work, to respect the decisions of the Constitutional Court (CC) and to address the issue of people with criminal records running for public office; calls for its proper implementation in a constructive manner; calls on all political parties to improve democratic consensus building ***in order to advance in the accession process;*** considers it important that Albania's civil society, media and citizens hold their leaders accountable for specific policy outcomes;

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5. Underlines the role of Parliament as a key democratic institution and therefore calls on competent authorities to strengthen its oversight role; welcomes in this regard the consensual parliamentary resolution of 24 December 2014 in which it was agreed that the opposition returns to parliamentary work, to respect the decisions of the Constitutional Court (CC) and to address the issue of people with criminal records running for public office; calls for its proper implementation in a constructive manner; calls on all political parties to improve democratic consensus building; considers it important that Albania's civil society, media and citizens hold their leaders accountable for specific policy outcomes;

Amendment 60
Monica Macovei

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Draft motion for a resolution

5. Underlines the role of Parliament as a key democratic institution and therefore calls on competent authorities to strengthen its oversight role; welcomes in this regard the consensual parliamentary resolution of 24 December 2014 in which it was agreed that the opposition returns to parliamentary work, to respect the decisions of the Constitutional Court (CC) and to address the issue of people with criminal records running for public office; calls for its proper implementation in a constructive manner; calls on all political parties to improve democratic consensus building in order to advance in the accession process; considers it important that Albania's civil society, media and citizens hold their leaders accountable for specific policy outcomes;

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5. Underlines the role of Parliament as a key democratic institution and therefore calls on competent authorities to strengthen its oversight role ***and to ensure a more institutionalized consultation process of draft legislation***; welcomes in this regard the consensual parliamentary resolution of 24 December 2014 in which it was agreed that the opposition returns to parliamentary work, to respect the decisions of the Constitutional Court (CC) and to address the issue of people with criminal records running for public office; calls for its proper implementation in a constructive manner; calls on all political parties to improve democratic consensus building in order to advance in the accession process; considers it important that Albania's civil society, media and citizens hold their leaders accountable for specific policy outcomes;

Amendment 61
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Draft motion for a resolution

6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania which could

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jeopardise further EU integration efforts; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for further reforms;

Or. it

Amendment 62
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Draft motion for a resolution

6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania *which could jeopardise further EU integration efforts*; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for further reforms;

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6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for further reforms;

Or. de

Amendment 63
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Draft motion for a resolution

6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania which could jeopardise further EU integration efforts; *reminds* the ruling coalition and the opposition of *their shared* responsibility towards the citizens *for* a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that *allows for* further reforms;

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6. Is *seriously* concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania which could jeopardise further EU integration efforts; *calls on* the ruling coalition and the opposition *to show a sense* of responsibility towards the citizens *and overcome their divisions, establishing* a sustainable, constructive and inclusive

political dialogue that *could lead to* further agreed reforms *for the good of the country*;

Or. it

Amendment 64
James Carver

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Draft motion for a resolution

6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania *which could jeopardise further EU integration efforts*; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for further reforms;

Amendment

6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for further reforms;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Marine Le Pen, Aymeric Chauprade, Nicolas Bay, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Draft motion for a resolution

6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania *which could jeopardise further EU integration efforts*; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for further reforms;

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6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for further reforms;

Or. fr

Amendment 66

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Ivo Vajgl, Jozo Radoš, Javier Nart

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Draft motion for a resolution

6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania which could jeopardise further EU integration efforts; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for **further** reforms;

Amendment

6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania which could jeopardise further EU integration efforts; **urges the Albanian authorities and all political forces to consolidate the progress achieved so far**; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for **the adoption and implementation of the key** reforms;

Or. en

Amendment 67

Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6

Draft motion for a resolution

6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania which could jeopardise further EU integration efforts; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for further reforms;

Amendment

6. Is concerned about **continuous and** ongoing political polarisation in Albania which could jeopardise further EU integration efforts; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for further reforms;

Or. en

Amendment 68
Tonino Picula

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Draft motion for a resolution

6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania which could jeopardise further EU integration efforts; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for further reforms;

Amendment

6. Is concerned about ongoing political polarisation in Albania which could jeopardise further EU integration efforts; reminds the ruling coalition and the opposition of their shared responsibility towards the citizens for a sustainable, constructive and inclusive political dialogue that allows for further reforms;
calls on all political parties to make further efforts to bring about genuine political dialogue and work in constructive cooperation;

Or. hr

Amendment 69
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Draft motion for a resolution

7. Underlines that a professional public administration is instrumental for a successful implementation of all other reforms; therefore welcomes that the Civil Service Law has started to be implemented and calls to pursue its proper implementation in order to depoliticise public administration and fight corruption in civil service, to strengthen meritocracy in appointments, promotions and dismissals, to increase the efficiency, transparency, accountability and financial sustainability of the civil service as well as to enhance good governance at all levels; encourages to

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finalise a comprehensive public administration reform strategy; stresses the need to enhance public integrity, to improve public services and to manage public resources more effectively; calls for improving public access to services and information; welcomes in this respect the new law on access to information; calls to strengthen the institution of the Ombudsman by giving appropriate follow-up to its findings and recommendations;

Or. it

Amendment 70
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Draft motion for a resolution

7. Underlines that a professional public administration is instrumental for a successful implementation of all other reforms; therefore welcomes that the Civil Service Law has started to be implemented and calls to pursue its proper implementation *in order to depoliticise public administration and* fight corruption in civil service, to strengthen meritocracy in appointments, promotions and dismissals, to increase the efficiency, transparency, accountability and financial sustainability of the civil service as well as to enhance good governance at all levels; encourages to finalise a comprehensive public administration reform strategy; stresses the need to enhance public integrity, to improve public services and to manage public resources more effectively; calls for improving public access to services and information; welcomes in this respect the new law on access to information; calls to strengthen the institution of the Ombudsman by giving

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7. Underlines that a professional public administration is instrumental for a successful implementation of all other reforms; therefore welcomes that the Civil Service Law has started to be implemented and calls to pursue its proper implementation, *without using depoliticisation as a pretext serving as an instrument for pursuing political ends; calls for continued action to* fight corruption in civil service, to strengthen meritocracy in appointments, promotions and dismissals, to increase the efficiency, transparency, accountability and financial sustainability of the civil service as well as to enhance good governance at all levels; encourages to finalise a comprehensive public administration reform strategy; stresses the need to enhance public integrity, to improve public services and to manage public resources more effectively; calls for improving public access to services and information; welcomes in this respect the new law on access to

appropriate follow-up to its findings and recommendations;

information; calls to strengthen the institution of the Ombudsman by giving appropriate follow-up to its findings and recommendations;

Or. it

Amendment 71

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Ivo Vajgl, Jozo Radoš, Javier Nart

Draft motion for a resolution

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Draft motion for a resolution

7. Underlines that a professional public administration is instrumental for a successful implementation of all other reforms; therefore welcomes that the Civil Service Law has started to be implemented and calls to pursue its proper implementation in order to depoliticise public administration and fight corruption in civil service, to strengthen meritocracy in appointments, promotions and dismissals, to increase the efficiency, transparency, accountability and financial sustainability of the civil service as well as to enhance good governance at all levels; encourages to finalise a comprehensive public administration reform strategy; stresses the need to enhance public integrity, to improve public services and to manage public resources more effectively; calls for improving public access to services and information; welcomes in this respect the new law on access to information; calls to strengthen the ***institution*** of the Ombudsman by giving appropriate follow-up to its findings and recommendations;

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7. Underlines that a professional public administration is instrumental for a successful implementation of all other reforms; therefore welcomes that the Civil Service Law has started to be implemented and calls to pursue its proper implementation in order to depoliticise public administration and fight corruption in civil service ***and organized crime***, to strengthen meritocracy in appointments, promotions and dismissals, to increase the efficiency, transparency, accountability and financial sustainability of the civil service as well as to enhance good governance at all levels; encourages to finalise a comprehensive public administration reform strategy ***and to continue promoting depolarisation and knowledge of EU law and decision-making processes***; stresses the need to enhance public integrity, to improve public services and to manage public resources more effectively; calls for improving public access to services and information; welcomes in this respect the new law on access to information; calls to strengthen the ***independence, efficiency and effectiveness of human rights structures, such as the office*** of the Ombudsman by giving appropriate follow-up to its findings and recommendations;

Amendment 72
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Draft motion for a resolution

7. Underlines that a professional public administration is instrumental for a successful implementation of all other reforms; **therefore welcomes** that the Civil Service Law has started to be implemented and calls to pursue its proper implementation in order to depoliticise public administration and fight corruption in civil service, to strengthen meritocracy in appointments, promotions and dismissals, to increase the efficiency, transparency, accountability and financial sustainability of the civil service as well as to enhance good governance at all levels; encourages to finalise a comprehensive public administration reform strategy; stresses the need to enhance public integrity, to improve public services and to manage public resources more effectively; calls for improving public access to services and information; welcomes in this respect the new law on access to information; calls to strengthen the institution of the Ombudsman by giving appropriate follow-up to its findings and recommendations;

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7. Underlines that a professional public administration is instrumental for a successful implementation of all other reforms; **notes** that the Civil Service Law has started to be implemented and calls to pursue its proper implementation in order to depoliticise public administration and fight corruption in civil service, to strengthen meritocracy in appointments, promotions and dismissals, to increase the efficiency, transparency, accountability and financial sustainability of the civil service as well as to enhance good governance at all levels; encourages to finalise a comprehensive public administration reform strategy; stresses the need to enhance public integrity, to improve public services and to manage public resources more effectively; calls for improving public access to services and information; welcomes in this respect the new law on access to information; calls to strengthen the institution of the Ombudsman by giving appropriate follow-up to its findings and recommendations;

Or. de

Amendment 73
István Ujhelyi

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Draft motion for a resolution

7. Underlines that a professional public administration is instrumental for a successful implementation of all other reforms; therefore welcomes that the Civil Service Law has started to be implemented and calls to pursue its proper implementation in order to depoliticise public administration and fight corruption in civil service, to strengthen meritocracy in appointments, promotions and dismissals, to increase the efficiency, transparency, accountability and financial sustainability of the civil service as well as to enhance good governance at all levels; encourages to finalise a comprehensive public administration reform strategy; stresses the need to enhance public integrity, to improve public services and to manage public resources more effectively; calls for improving public access to services and information; welcomes in this respect the new law on access to information; calls to strengthen the institution of the Ombudsman by giving appropriate follow-up to its findings and recommendations;

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7. Underlines that a professional public administration is instrumental for a successful implementation of all other reforms; therefore welcomes that the Civil Service Law has started to be implemented and calls to pursue its proper implementation in order to depoliticise public administration and fight corruption in civil service, to strengthen meritocracy in appointments, promotions and dismissals, to increase the efficiency, transparency, accountability, **professionalism** and financial sustainability of the civil service as well as to enhance good governance at all levels; encourages to finalise a comprehensive public administration reform strategy; stresses the need to enhance public integrity, to improve public services and to manage public resources more effectively; calls for improving public access to services and information; welcomes in this respect the new law on access to information; calls to strengthen the institution of the Ombudsman by giving appropriate follow-up to its findings and recommendations;

Or. en

Amendment 74
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Draft motion for a resolution

7. Underlines that a professional public administration is instrumental for a successful implementation of all other reforms; therefore welcomes that the Civil Service Law has started to be implemented

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and calls to pursue its proper implementation in order to depoliticise public administration and fight corruption in civil service, to strengthen meritocracy in appointments, promotions and dismissals, to increase the efficiency, transparency, accountability and financial sustainability of the civil service as well as to enhance good governance at all levels; encourages to finalise a comprehensive public administration reform strategy; stresses the need to enhance public integrity, to improve public services and to manage public resources more effectively; calls for improving public access to services and information; welcomes in this respect the new law on access to information; calls to strengthen the institution of the Ombudsman by giving appropriate follow-up to its findings and recommendations;

and calls to pursue its proper implementation in order to depoliticise public administration and fight corruption in civil service, to strengthen meritocracy in appointments, promotions and dismissals, to increase the efficiency, transparency, accountability and financial sustainability of the civil service as well as to enhance good governance at all levels; ***calls on the strengthening of human resources management, the evaluation system for civil servants and independent monitoring of the implementation of civil service legislation***; encourages to finalise a comprehensive public administration reform strategy; stresses the need to enhance public integrity, to improve public services and to manage public resources more effectively; calls for improving public access to services and information; welcomes in this respect the new law on access to information; calls to strengthen the institution of the Ombudsman by giving appropriate follow-up to its findings and recommendations;

Or. en

Amendment 75
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

7a. Calls on the government to enhance administrative capacities by continuing to implement public administration reforms;

Or. en

Amendment 76
Mario Borghezio

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Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Stresses the need to tackle the fragmented system of local government and to create a functional local governance able to respond to citizens' needs by the efficient provision of public services; notes the CC's ruling on the legal challenge to the reform on administrative and territorial division of the country;

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Or. it

Amendment 77
Ivan Jakovčić

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Stresses the need to **tackle** the **fragmented** system of local government and to **create a functional** local governance able to respond to citizens' needs by the efficient provision of public services; notes the CC's ruling on the legal challenge to the reform on administrative and territorial division of the country;

8. Stresses the need to **reform** the system of local government and to **strengthen** local governance able to respond to citizens' needs by the efficient provision of public services; notes the CC's ruling on the legal challenge to the reform on administrative and territorial division of the country;

Or. hr

Amendment 78
Angel Dzhambazki

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Draft motion for a resolution

8. Stresses the need to tackle the fragmented system of local government and to create a functional local governance able to respond to citizens' needs by the efficient provision of public services; notes the CC's ruling on the legal challenge to the reform on administrative and territorial division of the country;

Amendment

8. Stresses the need to tackle the fragmented system of local government and to create a functional local governance able to respond to citizens needs **and the needs of the various ethnic minorities** by the efficient provision of public services; notes the CC's ruling on the legal challenge to the reform on administrative and territorial division of the country;

Or. bg

Amendment 79
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Draft motion for a resolution

8. Stresses the need to tackle the fragmented system of local government and to create a functional local governance able to respond to citizens' needs by the efficient provision of public services; notes the CC's ruling on the legal challenge to the reform on administrative and territorial division of the country;

Amendment

8. Stresses the need to tackle the fragmented system of local government and to create a functional local governance able to respond to citizens' needs by the efficient provision of public services; **calls for the strengthening of administrative capacity of local government units, allowing them to exercise their authority and implement legislation in a financially sustainable way; calls for the enforcing of transparency, effectiveness and inclusiveness of local government;** notes the CC's ruling on the legal challenge to the reform on administrative and territorial division of the country;

Or. en

Amendment 80
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Draft motion for a resolution

8. Stresses the need to tackle the fragmented system of local government and to create a functional local governance able to respond to citizens' needs by the efficient provision of public services; notes the CC's ruling on the legal challenge to the reform on administrative and territorial division of the country;

Amendment

8. Stresses the need to tackle the fragmented system of local government and to create a functional local governance able to respond to citizens' needs by the efficient provision of public services; notes the CC's ruling on the legal challenge to the reform on administrative and territorial division of the country; ***expresses its concern over the possible impact of failure to implement the amendments to the Electoral Code, which could prove detrimental to the upcoming elections; calls on the Albanian Parliament to introduce the recommendations made by ODIHR and by the Central Election Commission;***

Or. it

Amendment 81
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

8a. Notes that upcoming local elections call on enhancing independence of electoral bodies and their capacities;

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Or. en

Amendment 82
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

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Or. it

Amendment 83

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Hilde Vautmans, Ivo Vajgl, Jozo Radoš, Javier Nart

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

9. ***Underlines*** the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to ***increase the level of public trust towards the*** justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

9. ***Stresses*** the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to ***ensure that citizens and the business community trust the justice system; insists on the fact that the Albanian*** justice system ***should be fully independent, more predictable, efficient and fair***; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption ***and organized crime***, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through

engagement with the Venice Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 84
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Draft motion for a resolution

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes **the government's** commitment to judicial reforms but **notes** persistent shortcomings in the **judiciary** such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

Amendment

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes **Albania's** commitment to judicial reforms but **deplores** persistent shortcomings in the **functioning of the judicial system**, such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 85
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Draft motion for a resolution

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings

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9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's **and the opposition's** commitment to judicial reforms but notes

in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 86
Victor Boștinăru

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Draft motion for a resolution

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

Amendment

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's *achievements and* commitment to judicial reforms but *still* notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 87
Daniel Caspary

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Draft motion for a resolution

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

Amendment

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs, ***as well as shortcomings with regard to law enforcement***; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

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Amendment 88

Javier Nart, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Ivo Vajgl

**Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9**

Draft motion for a resolution

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

Amendment

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs, ***and in the fight against organized crime, both at national and transnational levels***; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice

Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 89

István Ujhelyi

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Draft motion for a resolution

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

Amendment

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, ***criminal infiltration***, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission ***by elaborating and implementing a long-term judicial reform strategy***;

Or. en

Amendment 90

Nikos Androulakis

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 9

Draft motion for a resolution

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the

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government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission; ***calls on the parliament and the government to further support politically and financially the Ombudsman's Office;***

Or. en

Amendment 91
Angel Dzhambazki

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Draft motion for a resolution

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

Amendment

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources, backlogs, ***the lack of clear professional criteria for the appointment and promotion of judges, and the lack of a regulatory framework properly safeguarding the independence of the judiciary from the other branches of authority;*** invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

Or. bg

Amendment 92
Monica Macovei

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Draft motion for a resolution

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission;

Amendment

9. Underlines the need to strengthen the rule of law and reform the judiciary in order to increase the level of public trust towards the justice system; welcomes the government's commitment to judicial reforms but notes persistent shortcomings in the judiciary such as politicisation and limited accountability, high level of corruption, insufficient resources and backlogs; ***reiterates the need to make further substantial efforts to ensure the independence, efficiency and accountability of the judiciary, including through constitutional amendments;*** invites the authorities to pursue reforms in constructive cooperation with all stakeholders including relevant civil society organisations (CSOs) and through engagement with the Venice Commission; ***calls for determined action proved by a clear track record and to reinforce the disciplinary system for judges, prosecutors and lawyers, as well as to improve the efficiency of courts;***

Or. en

Amendment 93
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

9a. Expresses its concern regarding the

High Court case backlog; calls on Parliament to overcome its divisions and appoint judges to fill the empty posts; expresses concern at weakness of the Albanian legal system and especially its inability to tackle corruption within its own walls;

Or. it

Amendment 94
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

10. Recalls the Albanian Parliament's resolution of November 2013 on Albania's European integration that endorsed a number of important measures , mainly on the rule of law; underlines the importance of a strong respect for the rule of law and the independence of judicial institutions such as the High Council of Justice (HCJ); stresses the need to comply with decisions of the CC on this matter; invites competent authorities to foster the integrity and independence of key institutions of democracy as well as the de-politicisation of the judiciary; invites the competent authorities to proceed without undue delay to bring justice to the victims of the events of the 21st of January 2011;

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 95
James Carver

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Draft motion for a resolution

10. Recalls the Albanian Parliament's resolution of November 2013 *on Albania's European integration* that endorsed a number of important measures , mainly on the rule of law; underlines the importance of a strong respect for the rule of law and the independence of judicial institutions such as the High Council of Justice (HCJ); stresses the need to comply with decisions of the CC on this matter; invites competent authorities to foster the integrity and independence of key institutions of democracy as well as the de-politicisation of the judiciary; invites the competent authorities to proceed without undue delay to bring justice to the victims of the events of the 21st of January 2011;

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Or. en

Amendment 96
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Draft motion for a resolution

10. **Recalls** the Albanian Parliament's resolution of November 2013 on Albania's European integration that endorsed a number of important measures , mainly on the rule of law; underlines the importance of a strong respect for the rule of law and the independence of judicial institutions such as the High Council of Justice (HCJ); stresses the need to comply with decisions of the CC on this matter; invites competent authorities to foster the integrity and independence of key institutions of democracy as well as the de-politicisation

Amendment

10. **Notes** the Albanian Parliament's resolution of November 2013 on Albania's European integration that endorsed a number of important measures , mainly on the rule of law; ; underlines the importance of a strong respect for the rule of law and the independence of judicial institutions such as the High Council of Justice (HCJ); stresses the need to comply with decisions of the CC on this matter; invites competent authorities to foster the integrity and independence of key institutions of democracy as well as the de-politicisation

of the judiciary; invites the competent authorities to proceed without undue delay to bring justice to the victims of the events of the 21st of January 2011;

of the judiciary; invites the competent authorities to proceed without undue delay to bring justice to the victims of the events of the 21st of January 2011;

Or. de

Amendment 97

Ruža Tomašić

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Draft motion for a resolution

10. Recalls the Albanian Parliament's resolution of November 2013 on Albania's European integration that endorsed a number of important measures , mainly on the rule of law; underlines the importance of a strong respect for the rule of law and the independence of judicial institutions such as the High Council of Justice (HCJ); stresses the need to comply with decisions of the CC on this matter; invites competent authorities to foster the integrity and independence of key institutions of democracy as well as the de-politicisation of the judiciary; *invites* the competent authorities to proceed without undue delay to bring justice to the victims of the events of the 21st of January 2011;

Amendment

10. Recalls the Albanian Parliament's resolution of November 2013 on Albania's European integration that endorsed a number of important measures , mainly on the rule of law; underlines the importance of a strong respect for the rule of law and the independence of judicial institutions such as the High Council of Justice (HCJ); stresses the need to comply with decisions of the CC on this matter; invites competent authorities to foster the integrity and independence of key institutions of democracy as well as the de-politicisation of the judiciary; *calls on* the competent authorities to proceed without undue delay to bring justice to the victims of the events of the 21st of January 2011 *by identifying the origins and causes of the protest*;

Or. en

Amendment 98

Ivo Vajgl, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Javier Nart, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Jozo Radoš, Hilde Vautmans

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10

Draft motion for a resolution

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Amendment

10. Recalls the Albanian Parliament's resolution of November 2013 on Albania's European integration that endorsed a number of important measures , mainly on the rule of law; underlines the importance of a strong respect for the rule of law and the independence *and transparency* of judicial institutions such as the High Council of Justice (HCJ); stresses the need to comply with decisions of the CC on this matter; invites competent authorities to foster the integrity and independence of key institutions of democracy as well as the de-politicisation of the judiciary; invites the competent authorities to proceed without undue delay to bring justice to the victims of the events of the 21st of January 2011;

Or. en

Amendment 99

Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 10 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

10a. Points out the unsatisfactory state of the juvenile justice system; calls on the responsible authorities to put forward plans to improve the situation;

Or. en

Amendment 100

Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Draft motion for a resolution

11. Is concerned that corruption, including in the judiciary, remains a serious problem; stresses the need to further strengthen efforts to fight corruption at all levels, enhance institutional capacity and inter-institutional information exchange; **welcomes the appointment of a National Anti-Corruption Coordinator who will coordinate efforts and monitor implementation at central level and calls for adoption of an anti-corruption strategy; notes positively the steps towards increased transparency including the publication of asset declarations by senior officials as well as the establishment of anti-corruption focal points in all line ministries;**

Amendment

11. Is concerned that corruption, including in the judiciary, remains a serious problem; stresses the need to further strengthen efforts to fight corruption at all levels, enhance institutional capacity and inter-institutional information exchange;

Or. it

Amendment 101
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Draft motion for a resolution

11. Is concerned that corruption, including **in the judiciary**, remains a serious problem; **stresses the need to further** strengthen efforts to fight corruption at all levels, enhance institutional capacity and inter-institutional information exchange; welcomes the appointment of a National Anti-Corruption Coordinator who will coordinate efforts and monitor implementation at central level and calls for adoption of **an** anti-corruption strategy; notes positively the steps towards increased transparency including the publication of asset declarations by senior officials as well as the establishment of anti-corruption

Amendment

11. Is concerned that corruption, including **within the judicial system**, remains a serious problem; **urges Albania to seriously** strengthen efforts to fight corruption at all levels, **to** enhance institutional capacity and inter-institutional information exchange **and cooperation**; welcomes the appointment of a National Anti-Corruption Coordinator who will coordinate efforts and monitor implementation at central level and calls for **the** adoption of **a comprehensive and exigent** anti-corruption strategy; notes positively the steps towards increased transparency including the publication of

focal points in all line ministries;

asset declarations by senior officials as well as the establishment of anti-corruption focal points in all line ministries;

Or. en

Amendment 102
Monica Macovei

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Draft motion for a resolution

11. Is concerned that corruption, including in the judiciary, remains a serious problem; stresses the need to further strengthen efforts to fight corruption at all levels, enhance institutional capacity and inter-institutional information exchange; welcomes the appointment of a National Anti-Corruption Coordinator who will coordinate efforts and monitor implementation at central level and calls for adoption of an anti-corruption strategy; notes positively the steps towards increased transparency including the publication of asset declarations by senior officials as well as the establishment of anti-corruption focal points in all line ministries;

Amendment

11. Is concerned that corruption, including in the judiciary, remains a serious problem; stresses the need to further strengthen efforts to fight corruption at all levels, enhance **legislative framework**, institutional capacity and inter-institutional information exchange; welcomes the appointment of a National Anti-Corruption Coordinator who will coordinate efforts and monitor implementation at central level and calls for adoption of an anti-corruption strategy **and action plans for the period 2014-2020; reiterates the need for the development of a more robust anti-corruption framework which should include a wide range of institutions**; notes positively the steps towards increased transparency including the publication of asset declarations by senior officials as well as the establishment of anti-corruption focal points in all line ministries;

Or. en

Amendment 103
István Ujhelyi

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Draft motion for a resolution

11. Is concerned that corruption, including in the judiciary, remains a serious problem; stresses the need to further strengthen efforts to fight corruption at all levels, enhance institutional capacity and inter-institutional information exchange; welcomes the appointment of a National Anti-Corruption Coordinator who will coordinate efforts and monitor implementation at central level and calls for adoption of an anti-corruption strategy; notes positively the steps towards increased transparency including the publication of asset declarations by senior officials as well as the establishment of anti-corruption focal points in all line ministries;

Amendment

11. Is concerned that corruption, including in the judiciary, remains a serious problem; stresses the need to further strengthen efforts to fight corruption at all levels, enhance institutional capacity and inter-institutional information exchange; welcomes the appointment of a National Anti-Corruption Coordinator who will coordinate efforts and monitor implementation at central level and calls for adoption of an anti-corruption strategy **with concrete action plans**; notes positively the steps towards increased transparency including the publication of asset declarations by senior officials as well as the establishment of anti-corruption focal points in all line ministries;

Or. en

Amendment 104

Daniel Caspary

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Draft motion for a resolution

11. Is concerned that corruption, including in the judiciary, remains a serious problem; stresses the need to further strengthen efforts to fight corruption at all levels, enhance institutional capacity and inter-institutional information exchange; welcomes the appointment of a National Anti-Corruption Coordinator who will coordinate efforts and monitor implementation at central level and calls for adoption of an anti-corruption strategy; notes positively the steps towards increased transparency including the publication of asset declarations by senior officials as well as the establishment of anti-corruption

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focal points in all line ministries;

the establishment of anti-corruption focal points in all line ministries;

Or. de

Amendment 105

Marine Le Pen, Aymeric Chauprade, Nicolas Bay, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Draft motion for a resolution

11. Is concerned that corruption, including in the judiciary, remains a serious problem; stresses the need to further strengthen efforts to fight corruption at all levels, enhance institutional capacity and inter-institutional information exchange; welcomes the appointment of a National Anti-Corruption Coordinator who will coordinate efforts and monitor implementation at central level and calls for adoption of an anti-corruption strategy; notes positively the steps towards increased transparency including the publication of asset declarations by senior officials as well as the establishment of anti-corruption focal points in all line ministries;

Amendment

11. Is *very* concerned that corruption, including in the judiciary, remains a serious problem; stresses the need to further strengthen efforts to fight corruption at all levels, enhance institutional capacity and inter-institutional information exchange welcomes the appointment of a National Anti-Corruption Coordinator who will coordinate efforts and monitor implementation at central level and calls for adoption of an anti-corruption strategy; notes positively the steps towards increased transparency including the publication of asset declarations by senior officials as well as the establishment of anti-corruption focal points in all line ministries;

Or. fr

Amendment 106

Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Draft motion for a resolution

12. Reiterates the need to develop a solid track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions at all levels, including on

Amendment

12. Reiterates the need to develop a solid track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions at all levels, including on

high-level corruption cases; *considers it essential to provide sufficient resources, training and specialised staff in combating corruption especially in the fields of public procurement, health, taxation, education, police, customs and the local administration; encourages the participation and monitoring role of CSOs in the fight against corruption; invites the competent authorities to strengthen the existing legislation on the protection of whistle-blowers;*

high-level corruption cases;

Or. it

Amendment 107

Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution Paragraph 12

Draft motion for a resolution

12. Reiterates the need to develop a solid track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions at all levels, including on high-level corruption cases; considers it *essential* to provide sufficient resources, training and specialised staff in combating corruption especially in the fields of public procurement, health, taxation, education, police, customs and the local administration; *encourages the participation and monitoring role of CSOs in the fight against corruption;* invites the competent authorities to strengthen the existing legislation on the protection of whistle-blowers;

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12. Reiterates the need to develop a solid track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions at all levels, including on high-level corruption cases; considers it *necessary* to provide sufficient resources, training and specialised staff in combating corruption especially in the fields of public procurement, health, taxation, education, police, customs and the local administration; invites the competent authorities to strengthen the existing legislation on the protection of whistle-blowers;

Or. de

Amendment 108

Monica Macovei

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Draft motion for a resolution

12. Reiterates the need to develop a solid track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions at all levels, including on high-level corruption cases; considers it essential to provide sufficient resources, training and specialised staff in combating corruption especially in the fields of public procurement, health, taxation, education, police, customs and the local administration; encourages the participation and monitoring role of CSOs in the fight against corruption; invites the competent authorities to strengthen the existing legislation on the protection of whistle-blowers;

Amendment

12. Reiterates the need to develop a solid track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions at all levels, including on high-level corruption cases; considers it essential to ***improve the efficiency of investigations and to*** provide sufficient resources, training and specialised staff in combating corruption especially in the fields of public procurement, health, taxation, education, police, customs and the local administration; encourages the participation and monitoring role of CSOs in the fight against corruption; ***calls for the increase of the number of confiscations of criminal assets and convictions for money laundering and for the systematic use of financial investigations;*** invites the competent authorities to strengthen the existing legislation on the protection of whistle-blowers;

Or. en

Amendment 109
Daniel Caspary

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12

Draft motion for a resolution

12. Reiterates the need to develop a solid track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions at all levels, including on high-level corruption cases; considers it essential to provide sufficient resources, training and specialised staff in combating corruption especially in the fields of public procurement, health, taxation, education, police, customs and the local administration; encourages the

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12. Reiterates the need to develop a solid track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions at all levels, including on high-level corruption cases; considers it essential to provide sufficient resources, training and specialised staff in combating corruption especially in the fields of public procurement, health, taxation, education, police, ***law enforcement***, customs and the local administration; encourages the

participation and monitoring role of CSOs in the fight against corruption; invites the competent authorities to strengthen the existing legislation on the protection of whistle-blowers;

participation and monitoring role of CSOs in the fight against corruption; invites the competent authorities to strengthen the existing legislation on the protection of whistle-blowers;

Or. de

Amendment 110
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Draft motion for a resolution

13. Is concerned that, despite a positive trend in a number of areas, the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge; *while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to build up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;*

Amendment

13. Is concerned that, despite a positive trend in a number of areas, the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge;

Or. it

Amendment 111
Tanja Fajon

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Draft motion for a resolution

13. *Is concerned that, despite* a positive trend in *a number of areas*, the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge; while recognising the

Amendment

13. *Notes* a positive trend in *the fight against organized crime, particularly in the fight against trafficking and production of narcotics; is concerned,*

success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to build up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;

however, that the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge; while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to build up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;

Or. en

Amendment 112
Victor Boştinaru

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Draft motion for a resolution

13. *Is concerned that, despite* a positive trend in a number of areas, the fight against organised *crime* remains an important challenge; while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to build up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;

Amendment

13. *Notes* a positive trend in a number of areas, *including the fight against smuggling of narcotics; stresses that* the fight against organised *crimes* remains an important challenge while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to build up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;

Or. en

Amendment 113
Knut Fleckenstein

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Draft motion for a resolution

13. Is concerned that, despite a positive trend in a number of areas, the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge; while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to **build** up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;

Amendment

13. Is concerned that, despite a positive trend in a number of areas, the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge; while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to **take measures to remove barriers to the efficiency of investigations in view of building** up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions **in all areas and at all levels**; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;

Or. en

Amendment 114
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Draft motion for a resolution

13. Is concerned that, **despite a positive trend in a number of areas**, the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge; while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to build up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;

Amendment

13. Is concerned that the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge; while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to build up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;

Or. de

Amendment 115
Angel Dzhambazki

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Draft motion for a resolution

13. Is concerned that, despite a positive trend in a number of areas, the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge; while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to build up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;

Amendment

13. Is concerned that, despite a positive trend in a number of areas, the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge; while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to build up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation; ***recommends that efforts be focused on the fight against drug trafficking, and points out that cooperation in this field with relevant partner services in the Balkans and in the EU Member States should be intensified;***

Or. bg

Amendment 116
Monica Macovei

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Draft motion for a resolution

13. Is concerned that, despite a positive trend in a number of areas, the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge; while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to build up a track record of

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investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;

investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation; **welcomes the new operational agreement signed with Europol and calls for its immediate implementation;**

Or. en

Amendment 117

Marine Le Pen, Aymeric Chauprade, Nicolas Bay, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13

Draft motion for a resolution

13. Is concerned that, despite a positive trend in a number of areas, the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge; while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to build up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;

Amendment

13. Is **very** concerned that, despite a positive trend in a number of areas, the fight against organised crime remains an important challenge; while recognising the success of recent police operations invites Albania to develop a comprehensive strategic approach and to build up a track record of investigations, prosecutions and convictions; encourages to further build up intra-agency coordination including at local level as well as regional and international police and judicial cooperation;

Or. fr

Amendment 118

Tamás Meszerics

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 13 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

13a. Calls on the Albanian Parliament to initiate a law aiming at opening the archives of the secret services (Sigurimi) and other state security institutions from the Communist era;

Or. en

Amendment 119
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

14. Commends efforts to fight trafficking in human beings which continues to be a serious challenge; invites the competent authorities to develop a comprehensive and victim-oriented approach, to improve inter-institutional coordination and to build capacities of prosecutors, judges and police;

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 120
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

14. **Commends** efforts to fight trafficking in human beings which continues to be a serious challenge; invites the competent authorities to develop a comprehensive and victim-oriented approach, to improve inter-institutional coordination and to build

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capacities of prosecutors, judges and police;

capacities of prosecutors, judges and police;

Or. de

Amendment 121
István Ujhelyi

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Draft motion for a resolution

14. Commends efforts to fight trafficking in human beings which continues to be a serious challenge; invites the competent authorities to develop a comprehensive and victim-oriented approach, to improve inter-institutional coordination and to build capacities of prosecutors, judges and police;

Amendment

14. ***Reiterates the need to counter all kinds of criminal activities including money laundering, cannabis cultivation and trafficking of drugs;*** commends efforts to fight trafficking in human beings which continues to be a serious challenge; invites the competent authorities to develop a comprehensive and victim-oriented approach, to improve inter-institutional coordination and to build capacities of prosecutors, judges and police;

Or. en

Amendment 122
Monica Macovei

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14

Draft motion for a resolution

14. Commends efforts to fight trafficking in human beings which continues to be a serious challenge; invites the competent authorities to develop a comprehensive and victim-oriented approach, to improve inter-institutional coordination and to build capacities of prosecutors, judges and police;

Amendment

14. Commends efforts to fight trafficking in human beings which continues to be a serious challenge; invites the competent authorities to develop a comprehensive and victim-oriented approach, to improve inter-institutional coordination and to build capacities of prosecutors, judges and police; ***reiterates the need for continuous specialized joint training activities***

involving prosecutors, judges and police officers; welcomes the cooperation between the Albanian police and the prosecutor's office with EU Member States, which led to good results;

Or. en

Amendment 123
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

14a. Commends the Ombudsman for his work in promoting human rights, his openness towards vulnerable people and his cooperation with civil society organisations; deplores the fact that the Ombudsman's annual and special reports have not been debated in the Parliament, and therefore cannot be published and are not officially acknowledged; urges the Government and the Parliament to improve cooperation with the office of the Ombudsman;

Or. en

Amendment 124
Angel Dzhambazki

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. Takes note of security concerns over foreign fighter returnees; welcomes the increase of staff at the police' anti-terrorism unit and encourages to continue regional cooperation in combating

15. Expresses its profound unease about the return to Albania of individuals who have been involved in terrorist organisations and activities in the Middle East; points out that decisive measures

terrorism;

are needed to forestall any attempts at recruiting volunteers and other persons for the needs of the terrorist Islamic State, as well as any activities to that end; sees the increase in the number of police personnel engaged in anti-terrorism work as a positive development; recommends that cooperation with neighbouring countries' and EU Member States' authorities in combating terrorism be intensified; points out that regional cooperation on the security front is a means of securing the sustainable development of all the Western Balkan countries;

Or. bg

Amendment 125
Ivan Jakovčić

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Draft motion for a resolution

15. Takes note of security concerns over foreign fighter returnees; welcomes the increase of staff at the *police*' anti-terrorism unit and encourages *to continue* regional cooperation in combating terrorism;

Amendment

15. Takes note of security concerns over foreign fighter returnees; welcomes the increase of staff at the *police* anti-terrorism unit and encourages *intensive* regional cooperation in combating terrorism;

Or. hr

Amendment 126
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Draft motion for a resolution

15. *Takes note of* security concerns over

Amendment

15. *Stresses* security concerns over foreign

foreign fighter returnees; welcomes the increase of staff at the police' anti-terrorism unit and encourages to continue regional cooperation in combating terrorism;

fighter returnees **and urges the introduction of anti-terrorist security measures accordingly**; welcomes the increase of staff at the police' anti-terrorism unit and encourages to continue regional cooperation in combating terrorism;

Or. de

Amendment 127
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Draft motion for a resolution

15. Takes note of security concerns over foreign fighter returnees; welcomes the increase of staff at the police' anti-terrorism unit and encourages to continue regional cooperation in combating terrorism;

Amendment

15. Takes note of security concerns over foreign fighter returnees; welcomes the increase of staff at the police' anti-terrorism unit and encourages to continue regional cooperation in combating terrorism; **and calls on the Albanian authorities and police forces to collaborate actively with their European counterparts so as to coordinate anti-terrorism operations more effectively**;

Or. it

Amendment 128
Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Hilde Vautmans, Ivo Vajgl, Jozo Radoš, Javier Nart

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Draft motion for a resolution

15. Takes note of security concerns over foreign fighter returnees; welcomes the increase of staff at the police' anti-terrorism unit and encourages to continue regional cooperation in combating terrorism;

Amendment

15. Takes note of security concerns over foreign fighter returnees; welcomes the increase of staff at the police' anti-terrorism unit and encourages to continue regional cooperation in combating terrorism;

emphasises the implementation of the strategy and action plan on the fight against terrorism; welcomes the setting up of measures to prevent radicalisation and to address the phenomenon of foreign fighters;

Or. en

Amendment 129
Ruža Tomašić

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

15a. Invites the High Council of Justice to take into account the judges' term length and qualifications during the appointment or promotion, with a particular focus on the judges of the High Court and the Constitutional Court; encourages the National Chamber of Advocates to regulate, examine and control the exercise of the profession of lawyers;

Or. en

Amendment 130
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making *as well as in the European integration process in order to foster a broad national consensus on reforms and on the EU accession process; recommends to further develop*

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making;

consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society and local communities; is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening the culture of democracy;

Or. it

Amendment 131
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Draft motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making as well as in the European integration process in order to foster a broad national consensus on reforms *and on the EU accession process*; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) *civil society and* local communities; *is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening the culture of democracy;*

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making as well as in the European integration process in order to foster a broad national consensus on reforms; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) local communities;

Or. de

Amendment 132
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Draft motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making as well as in the European integration process in order to foster a

Amendment

16. *Considers it essential* and stresses the need to enhance *direct* civic participation *and involvement* in public life and policy-making as well as in the European

broad national consensus on reforms and on the EU accession process; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society and local communities; **is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening** the culture of democracy;

integration process in order to foster a broad national consensus on reforms and on the EU accession process; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society and local communities; **calls on all political movements to refrain from influencing and politicising CSOs, so as to allow them to develop free of external pressure their full potential to strengthen** the culture of democracy;

Or. it

Amendment 133
James Carver

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Draft motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making **as well as in the European integration process in order** to foster a broad national consensus on reforms **and on the EU accession process**; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society and local communities; is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening the culture of democracy;

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making to foster a broad national consensus on reforms; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society and local communities; is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening the culture of democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 134
Marine Le Pen, Aymeric Chauprade, Nicolas Bay, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Draft motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making *as well as in the European integration process* in order to foster a broad national consensus on reforms *and on the EU accession process*; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society and local communities; is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening the culture of democracy;

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making in order to foster a broad national consensus on reforms; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society and local communities; is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening the culture of democracy;

Or. fr

Amendment 135

Ivo Vajgl, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Javier Nart, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Jozo Radoš, Hilde Vautmans

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Draft motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and *policy-making* as well as in the European integration process in order to foster a broad national consensus on reforms and on the EU accession process; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society and local communities; is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening the culture of democracy;

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and *policy-planning and making* as well as in the European integration process in order to foster a broad national consensus on reforms and on the EU accession process; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society and local communities; is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening the culture of democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 136
Angel Dzhambazki

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Draft motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making as well as in the European integration process in order to foster a broad national consensus on reforms and on the EU accession process; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society and local communities; is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening the culture of democracy;

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making as well as in the European integration process in order to foster a broad national consensus on reforms and on the EU accession process; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society, *ethnic minority representatives* and local communities; is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening the culture of democracy;

Or. bg

Amendment 137
Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Ivo Vajgl, Jozo Radoš, Javier Nart

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 16

Draft motion for a resolution

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making as well as in the European integration process in order to foster a broad national consensus on reforms and on the EU accession process; recommends to further develop consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society and local communities; is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening the culture of democracy;

Amendment

16. Stresses the need to enhance civic participation in public life and policy-making as well as in the European integration process in order to foster a broad national consensus on reforms and on the EU accession process; ***underlines the need to consolidate the achievements and to deepen and expand it, both in the field of democracy, human rights and civil liberties and in shaping the legislative framework for further reforms; notes the crucial role of civil society in regional cooperation on the social and political aspects;*** recommends to further develop

consultation mechanisms with (and between) civil society and local communities; is concerned that politicisation of CSOs may mitigate their potential role for strengthening the culture of democracy;

Or. en

Amendment 138
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 139
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Draft motion for a resolution

17. **Commends** religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; **commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;**

Amendment

17. **Notes** religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination;

Or. de

Amendment 140
Nikos Androulakis

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Draft motion for a resolution

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; **invites the government to introduce** a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to **efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination**; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;

Amendment

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; **is concerned that the implementation of the Law on Protection from Discrimination remains insufficient; urges the government in this regard to adopt** a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to **establish a solid anti-discrimination case-law**; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and

education;

Or. en

Amendment 141

Ivan Jakovčić

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Draft motion for a resolution

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;

Amendment

17. Commends religious harmony and ***stresses the importance of*** the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on ***minority rights in partnership with*** minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;

Or. hr

Amendment 142

Knut Fleckenstein

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Draft motion for a resolution

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on

Amendment

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance ***and overall good inter-ethnic relations*** in the country; invites the government to introduce a

minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing *and* education;

comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps *in line with recommendations of the Advisory Committee of the Council of Europe Framework convention on National Minorities* as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing, education, *employment and social and health care services*;

Or. en

Amendment 143

Ivo Vajgl, Javier Nart, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Jozo Radoš, Hilde Vautmans

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Draft motion for a resolution

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing *and* education;

Amendment

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing, education *and labour market*;

Or. en

Amendment 144
István Ujhelyi

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Draft motion for a resolution

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;

Amendment

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination, ***including gender-based***, especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;

Or. en

Amendment 145
Monica Macovei

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Draft motion for a resolution

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to

Amendment

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination ***and to build a solid anti-discrimination case-law***; commends the contribution of the

fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;

Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;

Or. en

Amendment 146
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Draft motion for a resolution

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;

Amendment

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities, ***including linguistic minorities, following a broad consultation process in order*** to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;

Or. en

Amendment 147
Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Ivo Vajgl, Jozo Radoš, Javier Nart

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17

Draft motion for a resolution

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;

Amendment

17. Commends religious harmony and the climate of religious tolerance in the country; invites the government to introduce a comprehensive law on minorities to remedy existing legal gaps as well as to efficiently implement the Law on Protection from Discrimination; commends the contribution of the Commissioner for the Protection against Discrimination to fighting discrimination especially in employment, education and access to social services; ***calls on the competent authorities to continue improving the climate of inclusion and tolerance for all minorities in the country; underlines that all minorities must be protected;*** encourages further steps to improve the living conditions of Roma by improving their access to registration, housing and education;

Or. en

Amendment 148

Tamás Meszerics

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

17a. Stresses that living conditions of the Roma population need to be improved via better coordination between central and local government and inter-ministerial cooperation; calls for much more efforts regarding the implementation of policies on Roma especially with regard to housing, health services and education where long-term solutions have to be found;

Amendment 149
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment; welcomes the setting up of a working group on LGBTI rights in the Ministry of Social Affairs;

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 150
Angel Dzhambazki

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment; **welcomes the setting up of a working group on LGBTI rights in the Ministry of Social Affairs;**

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment;

Or. bg

Amendment 151
Georgios Epitideios

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Draft motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment; **welcomes the setting up of a working group on LGBTI rights in the Ministry of Social Affairs;**

Amendment

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment;

Or. en

Amendment 152
Ruža Tomašić

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Draft motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment; **welcomes the setting up of a working group on LGBTI rights in the Ministry of Social Affairs;**

Amendment

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment;

Or. en

Amendment 153
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Draft motion for a resolution

18. **Welcomes** the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment; **welcomes** the setting up of a working group on LGBTI rights in the Ministry of Social Affairs;

Amendment

18. **Notes** the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment; **notes** the setting up of a working group on LGBTI rights in the Ministry of Social Affairs;

Or. de

Amendment 154
Daniele Viotti, Isabella Adinolfi, Tanja Fajon, Ulrike Lunacek, Elly Schlein, Ian Duncan, Sophia in 't Veld, Marietje Schaake

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Draft motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment; welcomes the setting up of a working group on LGBTI rights in the Ministry of Social Affairs;

Amendment

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment; **welcomes the progress made in relation to the human rights of LGBTI people and the inclusion of the LGBTI community in the 2015-2020 strategy on social inclusion**; welcomes the setting up of a working group on LGBTI rights in the Ministry of Social Affairs; **remains concerned about homophobic and transphobic hate speech; commends, in**

this regard, the adoption of amendments to the Criminal Code punishing bias-motivated crime and speech on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity;

Or. en

Amendment 155
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Draft motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment; welcomes the setting up of a working group on LGBTI rights in the Ministry of Social Affairs;

Amendment

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment; **welcomes the progress made in relation to the human rights of LGBTI people and the inclusion of the LGBTI community in the 2015-2020 strategy on social inclusion;** welcomes the setting up of a working group on LGBTI rights in the Ministry of Social Affairs; **remains concerned about homophobic and transphobic hate speech; commends, in this regard, the adoption of amendments to the Criminal Code punishing bias-motivated crime and speech on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity;**

Or. en

Amendment 156
Tamás Meszerics
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

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Draft motion for a resolution

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment; welcomes the setting up of a working group on LGBTI rights in the Ministry of Social Affairs;

Amendment

18. Welcomes the setting up of the National Council on Gender Equality and the appointment of gender coordinators in all line ministries; calls for further measures to tackle domestic violence, cases of inadequate access of women to justice and gender bias in employment; welcomes the setting up of a working group on LGBTI rights in the Ministry of Social Affairs; **welcomes the opening of the first LGBTI residential shelter which serves as a transitional housing solution;**

Or. en

Amendment 157

Tamás Meszerics

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 18 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

18a. Is concerned by the continued existence of blood feuds in Albania, which not only trigger murder and violence but also force many children to stay home indefinitely, and thus have far-reaching social consequences affecting the lives of many thousands of people; notes that the number of blood feud victims seems to stabilise according to the latest Commission Progress Report; calls on the Albanian authorities to respond to the demand by the United Nations and the recommendations of the Ombudsman to create a homogenous and reliable database, to activate the Coordinating Council for the Fight Against Blood Feuds set up in 2005 and to develop an action plan focusing on the rule of law aspects in the fight against blood feuds;

Amendment 158

Ulrike Lunacek, Elly Schlein, Tanja Fajon, Isabella Adinolfi, Ian Duncan, Sophia in 't Veld, Marietje Schaake, Daniele Viotti

**Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 b (new)**

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

18b. Furthermore, encourages the government to work on a gender recognition bill, and to ensure that gender recognition conditions will meet the standards set in the Recommendation CM/Rec(2010) by the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe to member states on measures to combat discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation or gender identity; believes that LGBTI people's fundamental rights are more likely to be safeguarded if they have access to legal institutions such as cohabitation, registered partnership or marriage and encourages Albanian authorities to consider these options;

Amendment 159

Fabio Massimo Castaldo

**Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 c (new)**

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

18c. Furthermore, encourages the government to work on a gender recognition bill, and to ensure that gender recognition conditions will meet the standards set in the Recommendation CM/Rec(2010) by the Committee of

Ministers of the Council of Europe to member states on measures to combat discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation or gender identity; believes that LGBTI people's fundamental rights are more likely to be safeguarded if they have access to legal institutions such as cohabitation, registered partnership or marriage and encourages Albanian authorities to consider these options;

Or. en

Amendment 160
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

19. Emphasises the critical importance of professional, independent and pluralist public service broadcaster and private media as a cornerstone of democracy; is concerned about the lack of transparency of media financing, media polarisation and self-censorship; calls for strengthening professional and ethical standards of journalists; urges proper implementation of the defamation legislation; welcomes the election of the new chair and board members of the Audiovisual Media Authority which may facilitate the digital switchover process;

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 161
Cristian Dan Preda

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Draft motion for a resolution

19. Emphasises the critical importance of professional, independent and pluralist public service broadcaster and private media as a cornerstone of democracy; **is concerned about the lack of transparency of media financing, media polarisation and self-censorship; calls for strengthening professional and ethical standards of journalists; urges proper implementation of the defamation legislation; welcomes** the election of the new chair and board members of the Audiovisual Media Authority which may facilitate the digital switchover process;

Amendment

19. **Is strongly concerned about the lack of genuine media independence, the lack of transparency of media ownership and financing, as well as the highly politicized environment that pressures Albanian media in their everyday work; urges Albania to rapidly address all these issues in order to assure a free work environment for journalists;** emphasises the critical importance of professional, independent and pluralist public service broadcaster and private media as a cornerstone of democracy; **notes in this respect** the election of the new chair and board members of the Audiovisual Media Authority which may facilitate the digital switchover process **and further implementation of the Audiovisual Media Law; urges proper implementation of the defamation legislation;**

Or. en

Amendment 162
Knut Fleckenstein

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Draft motion for a resolution

19. Emphasises the critical importance of professional, independent and pluralist public service broadcaster and private media as a cornerstone of democracy; is concerned about the lack of transparency of media financing, media polarisation and self-censorship; calls for strengthening professional and ethical standards of journalists; urges proper implementation of the defamation legislation; welcomes the election of the new chair and board members of the Audiovisual Media

Amendment

19. Emphasises the critical importance of professional, independent and pluralist public service broadcaster and private media as a cornerstone of democracy; is concerned about the lack of transparency of media financing, media polarisation and self-censorship; calls for strengthening professional and ethical standards of journalists; urges proper implementation of the defamation legislation; welcomes the election of the new chair and board members of the Audiovisual Media

Authority *which may facilitate* the digital switchover process;

Authority *and encourages the government to guarantee its independence and support, so that the authority can take up its functions fully, including as regards facilitating* the digital switchover process;

Or. en

Amendment 163
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Draft motion for a resolution

19. Emphasises the critical importance of professional, independent and pluralist public service broadcaster and private media as a cornerstone of democracy; is concerned about the lack of transparency of media financing, *media polarisation and self-censorship*; calls for strengthening professional and ethical standards of journalists; urges proper implementation of the defamation legislation; welcomes the election of the new chair and board members of the Audiovisual Media Authority which may facilitate the digital switchover process;

Amendment

19. Emphasises the critical importance of professional, independent and pluralist public service broadcaster and private media as a cornerstone of democracy; is concerned about *media polarisation and self-censorship*, about the lack of transparency of media financing *and about the potentially self-serving relationship between media and sponsors, particularly as regards advertising funding by local authorities* ; calls for strengthening professional and ethical standards of journalists; urges proper implementation of the defamation legislation; welcomes the election of the new chair and board members of the Audiovisual Media Authority which may facilitate the digital switchover process; *reminds the Albanian authorities that no country can become an EU member if it is unable to guarantee full freedom of expression*;

Or. it

Amendment 164
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Draft motion for a resolution

19. Emphasises the critical importance of professional, independent and pluralist public service broadcaster and private media as a cornerstone of democracy; is concerned about the lack of transparency of media financing, media polarisation and self-censorship; calls for strengthening professional and ethical standards of journalists; urges proper implementation of the defamation legislation; *welcomes* the election of the new chair and board members of the Audiovisual Media Authority which may facilitate the digital switchover process;

Amendment

19. Emphasises the critical importance of professional, independent and pluralist public service broadcaster and private media as a cornerstone of democracy; ***stresses that further efforts need to be done to guarantee the independence of the media regulatory authority and of the public broadcaster***; is concerned about the lack of transparency of media financing, media polarisation and self-censorship; calls for strengthening professional and ethical standards of journalists; urges proper implementation of the defamation legislation; ***notes*** the election of the new chair and board members of the Audiovisual Media Authority which may facilitate the digital switchover process;

Or. en

Amendment 165

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Ivo Vajgl, Jozo Radoš, Javier Nart

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Draft motion for a resolution

19. Emphasises the critical importance of professional, independent and pluralist public service broadcaster and private media as a cornerstone of democracy; is concerned about the lack of transparency of media financing, media polarisation and self-censorship; calls for strengthening professional and ethical standards of journalists; urges proper implementation of the defamation legislation; welcomes the election of the new chair and board members of the Audiovisual Media

Amendment

19. Emphasises the critical importance of professional, independent and pluralist public service broadcaster and private media as a cornerstone of democracy; is concerned about the lack of transparency of media financing, media polarisation and self-censorship; ***stresses that additional efforts are required to fully guarantee the independence of the media regulatory authority and of the public broadcaster***; calls for strengthening professional and ethical standards of journalists; ***underlines***

Authority which may facilitate the digital switchover process;

the importance of internet access and digital freedom; urges proper implementation of the defamation legislation; welcomes the election of the new chair and board members of the Audiovisual Media Authority which may facilitate the digital switchover process;

Or. en

Amendment 166
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

20. Welcomes the improvement of the business climate but calls on the government to continue addressing weaknesses in contract enforcement and the rule of law as well as tackling the large informal economy; invites the government to accelerate the pace of reforms on property legalisation, restitution and compensation;

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Or. it

Amendment 167
Knut Fleckenstein

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

20. Welcomes the improvement of the business climate but calls on the government to continue addressing weaknesses in contract enforcement and the rule of law as well as tackling the large informal economy; invites the government

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to accelerate the *pace of reforms on* property legalisation, restitution and compensation;

to *strengthen the protection of property rights and* accelerate the *establishment of a sustainable and coherent policy of* property legalisation, restitution and compensation;

Or. en

Amendment 168

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Ivo Vajgl, Jozo Radoš, Javier Nart

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

Draft motion for a resolution

20. Welcomes the improvement of the business climate but calls on the government to continue addressing weaknesses in contract enforcement and the rule of law as well as tackling the large informal economy; invites the government to accelerate the pace of reforms on property legalisation, restitution and compensation;

Amendment

20. Welcomes the improvement of the business climate *and the pursuit of a functioning market economy* but calls on the government to continue addressing weaknesses in contract enforcement and the rule of law as well as tackling the large informal economy; *calls for further reforms in order to cope with the competitive pressure on the common European market;* invites the government to accelerate the pace of reforms on property legalisation, restitution and compensation;

Or. en

Amendment 169

István Ujhelyi

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

Draft motion for a resolution

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Amendment

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the rule of law as well as tackling the large informal economy; invites the government to accelerate the pace of reforms on property legalisation, restitution and compensation;

the rule of law as well as tackling the large informal economy; invites the government to accelerate the pace of reforms on property legalisation, restitution and compensation; ***underlines the importance of creating favourable conditions to private-sector development and foreign direct investment;***

Or. en

Amendment 170

István Ujhelyi

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

20a. Welcomes the progress made towards becoming a functioning market economy but emphasises the importance to cope with the slowing economic growth and competitive pressures;

Or. en

Amendment 171

Tamás Meszerics

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20 b (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

20b. Calls on the Albanian authorities to draft a national energy strategy, which pays particular attention to state of the art technologies in the field of renewable energies, highlighting decentralized solutions; calls on the Albania authorities to reconsider the plans for large and small hydropower projects and their ecological

*impacts on national natural heritage;
calls for compliance with the EU Water
Framework Directive aiming at a good
ecological and chemical status of all
natural surface water bodies;*

Or. en

Amendment 172
Fabio Massimo Castaldo

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 c (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

20c. Expresses concern at the projected construction of the Trans Adriatic Pipeline (TAP) and the possible environmental impact thereof; takes the view that Albania should invest in renewable energy projects and, before undertaking a project of this size, ensure that it has sufficient infrastructures to guarantee all areas of the country access to power and running water 24 hours a day;

Or. it

Amendment 173
Tamás Meszerics
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20 d (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

20d. Urges the Albanian authorities to develop comprehensive management plans for existing national parks with respect to the IUCN World Commission of

Protected Areas' quality and management guidelines for protected area category II; urges the authorities to abandon any development plans devaluating the country's protected area network and calls for the abandonment of small and large-scale hydropower construction plans inside all national parks in particular; demands to especially re-think the plans to build hydropower plants along the Vjosa river and its tributaries, since these projects would harm one of Europe's last extensive, intact and near natural river ecosystems;

Or. en

Amendment 174
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

21. Calls on the Commission to work in close cooperation with the government to address weaknesses in labour market conditions including growing unemployment and provide solutions in line with the Europe 2020 strategy; welcomes the Indicative Strategy Paper for Albania 2014-2020 which recognises that education, employment and social policies require support through the IPA;

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Or. it

Amendment 175
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Draft motion for a resolution

21. Calls on the Commission to work in close cooperation with the government to address weaknesses in labour market conditions including growing unemployment and provide solutions in line with the Europe 2020 strategy; **welcomes** the Indicative Strategy Paper for Albania 2014-2020 which recognises that education, employment and social policies require support through the IPA;

Amendment

21. Calls on the Commission to work in close cooperation with the government to address weaknesses in labour market conditions including growing unemployment and provide solutions in line with the Europe 2020 strategy; **notes** the Indicative Strategy Paper for Albania 2014-2020 which recognises that education, employment and social policies require support through the IPA;

Or. de

Amendment 176
István Ujhelyi

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Draft motion for a resolution

21. Calls on the Commission to work in close cooperation with the government to address weaknesses in labour market conditions including growing unemployment and provide solutions in line with the Europe 2020 strategy; welcomes the Indicative Strategy Paper for Albania 2014-2020 which recognises that education, employment and social policies require support through the IPA;

Amendment

21. ***Stresses the need to improve education and training to address skills mismatches and increase employability, particularly among young people;*** calls on the Commission to work in close cooperation with the government to address weaknesses in labour market conditions including growing unemployment and provide solutions in line with the Europe 2020 strategy; welcomes the Indicative Strategy Paper for Albania 2014-2020 which recognises that education, employment and social policies require support through the IPA;

Or. en

Amendment 177
Eduard Kukan

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

21a. Stresses the need to pay particular attention to energy sector and energy security, including diversification of energy sources; calls for greater progress in the field of environment protection;

Or. en

Amendment 178
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 179
Georgios Epitideios

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Draft motion for a resolution

22. **Welcomes** Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its **instrumental** role in strengthening regional stability; **commends** the political will to improve relations with Serbia; **welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;**

Amendment

22. **Looks forward to** Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its **major** role in strengthening regional stability; **welcomes** the political will to improve relations with Serbia; **condemns the recent manifestations of territorial expansionism at the expense of its neighbours, principally Greece, which were passed over in silence by the Albanian Government;**

Or. el

Amendment 180

Marine Le Pen, Aymeric Chauprade, Nicolas Bay, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Draft motion for a resolution

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; **commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;**

Amendment

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability;

Amendment 181
Georg Mayer, Harald Vilimsky

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Draft motion for a resolution

22. **Welcomes** Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; **stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability**; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; **welcomes** Albania's **full** alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including **the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as** its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

Amendment

22. **Notes** Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; **notes** Albania's **attempted** alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries

Amendment 182
James Carver

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Draft motion for a resolution

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; **welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the**

Amendment

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European

EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

Or. en

Amendment 183
Nikos Androulakis

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Draft motion for a resolution

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; ***commends the political will to improve*** relations with Serbia; welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

Amendment

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; ***notes that further steps need to be taken towards the improvement of*** relations with Serbia; ***call in this regard on both sides to abstain from acts and statements that may undermine regional stability and cooperation;*** welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

Or. en

Amendment 184
Demetris Papadakis

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Draft motion for a resolution

22. **Welcomes Albania's continued** constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

Amendment

22. **Calls on Albania to adopt a more** constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; **acknowledges the role of positive gestures actions and statements that promote good neighbourly relations;** stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

Or. en

Amendment 185

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Hilde Vautmans, Jozo Radoš

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Draft motion for a resolution

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; **stresses its instrumental** role in strengthening regional stability; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-

Amendment

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; **underlines the fact that the large Albanian-speaking groups in both Kosovo and in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia gives Albania a key** role in strengthening regional stability; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as

East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

Or. en

Amendment 186
Ivan Jakovčić

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Draft motion for a resolution

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and *pro-active* stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

Amendment

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and *proactive* stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; *emphasises in particular and* commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries; *calls on Albania to play an active part in implementing the EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region;*

Or. hr

Amendment 187
Tonino Picula

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Draft motion for a resolution

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and **pro-active** stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

Amendment

22. Welcomes Albania's continued constructive and **proactive** stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; **urges Albania to maintain its constructive position within the region by engaging in ongoing communication with the other Western Balkan countries, focusing on knowledge and experience acquired during their EU integration processes and on the aim of intensifying cooperation and further stabilising the region;** welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

Or. hr

Amendment 188
Angel Dzhambazki

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Draft motion for a resolution

22. Welcomes Albania's **co ntinued** constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management

Amendment

22. Welcomes Albania's **continued** constructive and pro-active stance in regional and bilateral cooperation; stresses its instrumental role in strengthening regional stability; commends the political will to improve relations with Serbia; welcomes Albania's full alignment with EU foreign policy positions, including the EU restrictive measures on Russia as well as its participation in CSDP crisis management

operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries;

operations; notes its ambitions as the current Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process to further promote dialogue between participating countries; ***emphasises that the construction and development of Pan-European Transport Corridor 8, which is seen as crucial to the economic and social development of the Western Balkans region, is a priority; recommends that the Albanian authorities, in close cooperation with the other countries along the proposed corridor, accelerate the planning and construction processes for the Albanian section of the route;***

Or. bg

Amendment 189
Renate Sommer

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

22a. Points out that, according to secret service reports, many Islamists from Albania have joined the IS and similar groups; urges the Albanian Government to step up its efforts to clamp down on this radicalisation process;

Or. de

Amendment 190
Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Draft motion for a resolution

Amendment

23. Calls for enhancing EP-Albania inter-parliamentary cooperation; recommends

deleted

harmonising, as far as possible, the future calendar of meetings of the EU-Albania Stabilisation and Association Parliamentary Committee and that of the High Level Dialogue on the Key Priorities in order to strengthen parliamentary oversight of the EU accession process;

Or. it

Amendment 191

Marine Le Pen, Aymeric Chauprade, Nicolas Bay, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser

Draft motion for a resolution Paragraph 23

Draft motion for a resolution

23. Calls for enhancing EP-Albania inter-parliamentary cooperation; *recommends harmonising, as far as possible, the future calendar of meetings of the EU-Albania Stabilisation and Association Parliamentary Committee and that of the High Level Dialogue on the Key Priorities in order to strengthen parliamentary oversight of the EU accession process;*

Amendment

23. Calls for enhancing EP-Albania inter-parliamentary cooperation;

Or. fr

Amendment 192

Mario Borghezio

Draft motion for a resolution Paragraph 23 a (new)

Draft motion for a resolution

23a. Calls for the suspension of any negotiations seeking the accession of Albania to the European Union in view of the persistent shortcomings in the legal system, the high levels of corruption and organised crime, the lack of protection for minorities, discrimination against women,

Amendment

the lack of transparency regarding media financing and labour market deficiencies, including rising unemployment, particularly in view of the fact that the Commission does not envisage any further EU accessions over the next five years;

Or. it