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IN THE CHAIR: Ildikó GÁLL-PELCZ

Vice-President

1. Opening of the sitting

The sitting opened at 9.00.

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The following spoke: Alessandra Mussolini on the 10th anniversary of the Day of Remembrance in memory of the victims of the *foibe* killings and of the Julian March and Dalmatian exodus, and Ivan Jakovčić, to comment on the speech.

2. Debate on cases of breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law (announcement of motions for resolutions tabled)

In accordance with Rule 135, the following Members or political groups had requested that such a debate be held on the following motions for resolutions:

I. *Burundi: the case of Bob Rugurika (2015/2561(RSP))*

- Judith Sargentini, Maria Heubuch, Heidi Hautala, Jordi Sebastià, Bart Staes, Michèle Rivasi, Barbara Lochbihler, Ernest Urtasun, Bodil Valero and Davor Škrlec, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on Burundi, notably the case of Bob Rugurika (B8-0144/2015);
- Charles Tannock, Mark Demesmaeker, Jan Zahradil, Ryszard Czarnecki and Ruža Tomašić, on behalf of the ECR Group, on Burundi, in particular the case of Bob Rugurika (B8-0146/2015);
- Javier Nart, Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Ivo Vajgl, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Marielle de Sarnez, Pavel Telička, Juan Carlos Girauta Vidal, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Gérard Deprez, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Ivan Jakovčić, Louis Michel, Marietje Schaake, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Petras Auštrevičius, Kaja Kallas, Robert Rochefort, Jozo Radoš and Johannes Cornelis van Baalen, on behalf of the ALDE Group, on Burundi: the case of Bob Rugurika (B8-0148/2015);
- Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Ignazio Corrao, Laura Agea, Rosa D'Amato, Dario Tamburrano and Piernicola Pedicini, on behalf of the EFDD Group, on Burundi, arbitrary arrest and detention of human rights defender and journalist Bob Rugurika (B8-0152/2015);
- Marie-Christine Vergiat, Malin Björk, Merja Kyllönen, Martina Michels, Younous Omarjee, Sofia Sakorafa, Kostas Chrysogonos and Patrick Le Hyaric, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on Burundi: the case of Bob Rugurika (B8-0154/2015);
- Josef Weidenholzer, Victor Boștinăru, Richard Howitt, Pier Antonio Panzeri, Kashetu Kyenge, Elena Valenciano, Enrico Gasbarra, Marlene Mizzi, Kati Piri, Ana Gomes, Krystyna Łybacka, Michela Giuffrida, Nikos Androulakis, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Lidia Joanna Geringer de Oedenberg, Andi Cristea, Claudia Tapardel, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Goffredo Maria Bettini, Neena Gill, Miriam Dalli, Tonino Picula, Victor Negrescu, Viorica Dăncilă, Maria Arena, Luigi Morgano, Marc Tarabella, Nicola Caputo, Doru-Claudian Frunzuliță and Biljana Borzan, on behalf of the S&D Group, on Burundi: the case of Bob Rugurika (B8-0160/2015);
- Cristian Dan Preda, Maurice Ponga, Davor Ivo Stier, Bogdan Brunon Wenta, Mariya Gabriel, Giovanni La Via, Lara Comi, Tunne Kelam, Jiří Pospíšil, Dubravka Šuica, Pavel Svoboda, Stanislav Polčák, Francesc Gambús, Jaromír Štětina, Tomáš Zdechovský, Jeroen Lenaers, Marijana Petir, Andrej Plenković, Joachim Zeller, Franck Proust, Ivan Štefanec, Seán Kelly, David McAllister, Claude Rolin, József Nagy and Monica Macovei, on behalf of the PPE Group, on Burundi: the case of Bob Rugurika (B8-0163/2015).

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II. *Saudi Arabia: the case of Raif Badawi (2015/2550(RSP))*

- Barbara Lochbihler, Alyn Smith, Yannick Jadot, Ernest Urtasun, Helga Trüpel, Bart Staes, Ulrike Lunacek, Igor Šoltes, Jean Lambert, José Bové, Bodil Valero, Margrete Auken, Reinhard Bütikofer, Pascal Durand, Molly Scott Cato, Karima Delli, Ernest Maragall, Tamás Meszerics and Davor Škrlec, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on Saudi Arabia: the case of Raif Badawi (B8-0143/2015);
- Charles Tannock, Ruža Tomašić, Valdemar Tomaševski, Beatrix von Storch and Ryszard Czarnecki, on behalf of the ECR Group, on Saudi Arabia: the case of Raif Badawi (B8-0145/2015);
- Marietje Schaake, Robert Rochefort, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Ivo Vajgl, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Marielle de Sarnez, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Pavel Telička, Juan Carlos Girauta Vidal, Fredrick Federley, Kaja Kallas, Petras Auštrevičius, Hilde Vautmans, Ivan Jakovčić, Jozo Radoš, Johannes Cornelis van Baalen, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Filiz Hyusmenova, Gérard Deprez, Louis Michel, Martina Dlabajová and Dita Charanzová, on behalf of the ALDE Group, on Saudi Arabia: the case of Raif Badawi (B8-0147/2015);
- Ignazio Corrao, Rosa D'Amato, Tiziana Beghin, Laura Agea, Marco Valli, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Dario Tamburrano and Piernicola Pedicini, on behalf of the EFDD Group, on Saudi Arabia: the case of Raif Badawi (B8-0149/2015);
- Javier Couso Permuy, Malin Björk, Marie-Christine Vergiat, Ángela Vallina, Marisa Matias, João Ferreira, Inês Cristina Zuber, Miguel Viegas, Fabio De Masi, Younous Omarjee, Lidia Senra Rodríguez, Marina Albiol Guzmán, Paloma López Bermejo, Neoklis Sylikiotis, Martina Michels, Sabine Lösing, Sofia Sakorafa, Kostas Chrysogonos, Patrick Le Hyaric and Kateřina Konečná, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on Saudi Arabia: the case of Raif Badawi (B8-0151/2015);
- Josef Weidenholzer, Victor Boștinăru, Elena Valenciano, Richard Howitt, Ana Gomes, Alessia Maria Mosca, Michela Giuffrida, Kshetu Kyenge, Nikos Androulakis, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Lidia Joanna Geringer de Oedenberg, Krystyna Łybacka, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Tonino Picula, Goffredo Maria Bettini, Miroslav Poche, Biljana Borzan, Victor Negrescu, Viorica Dăncilă, Marlene Mizzi, Luigi Morgano, Pier Antonio Panzeri, Marc Tarabella, Enrico Gasbarra, Kati Piri, Nicola Caputo, Doru-Claudian Frunzulică and Miriam Dalli, on behalf of the S&D Group, on the case of Raif Badawi, Saudi Arabia (B8-0158/2015);
- Cristian Dan Preda, Davor Ivo Stier, Bogdan Brunon Wenta, Giovanni La Via, Lara Comi, Tunne Kelam, Jiří Pospíšil, Dubravka Šuica, Pavel Svoboda, Stanislav Polčák, Francesc Gambús, Csaba Sógor, Jaromír Štětina, Jarosław Wałęsa, Tomáš Zdechovský, Jeroen Lenaers, Marijana Petir, Andrej Plenković, Franck Proust, Joachim Zeller, Ivan Štefanec, Seán Kelly, Michaela Šojdrová, Claude Rolin, József Nagy and Monica Macovei, on behalf of the PPE Group, on Saudi Arabia: the case of Raif Badawi (B8-0162/2015).

III. *Mass graves of the missing persons of Ashia at Ornithi village in the occupied part of Cyprus (2015/2551(RSP))*

- Ska Keller, Ernest Urtasun and Davor Škrlec, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on the mass graves of the missing persons of Ashia, at Ornithi village in the occupied part of Cyprus (B8-0150/2015);
- Charles Tannock, Valdemar Tomaševski, Ruža Tomašić and Notis Marias, on behalf of the ECR Group, on the mass graves of the missing persons of Ashia, at Ornithi village in the occupied part of Cyprus (B8-0153/2015);
- Marietje Schaake, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Cecilia Wikström, Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Juan Carlos Girauta Vidal, Gérard Deprez, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Ivan Jakovčić, Louis Michel, Hilde Vautmans, Marielle de Sarnez, Johannes Cornelis van Baalen and Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, on behalf of the ALDE Group, on mass graves of the missing persons of Ashia at Ornithi village in the occupied part of Cyprus (B8-0155/2015);
- Laura Ferrara, Ignazio Corrao, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Tiziana Beghin, Rosa D'Amato, Dario Tamburrano, Piernicola Pedicini and Rolandas Paksas, on behalf of the EFDD Group, on mass graves of the missing persons of Ashia at Ornithi village in the occupied part of Cyprus (B8-0156/2015);

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- Takis Hadjigeorgiou, Neoklis Sylikiotis, Malin Björk, Marina Albiol Guzmán, Javier Couso Permy, Marie-Christine Vergiat, Merja Kyllönen, João Ferreira, Inês Cristina Zuber, Miguel Viegas, Sabine Lösing, Martina Michels, Marisa Matias, Ángela Vallina, Lidia Senra Rodríguez, Paloma López Bermejo, Gabriele Zimmer, Sofia Sakorafa, Emmanouil Glezos, Dimitrios Papadimoulis, Kostas Chrysogonos, Kateřina Konečná and Kostadinka Kuneva, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on the mass graves of the missing persons of Ashia, at Ornithi village in the occupied part of Cyprus (B8-0157/2015);
- Josef Weidenholzer, Michela Giuffrida, Kashetu Kyenge, Nikos Androulakis, Lidia Joanna Geringer de Oedenberg, Krystyna Łybacka, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Demetris Papadakis, Costas Mavrides, Miroslav Poche, Victor Negrescu, Viorica Dăncilă, Luigi Morgano, Nicola Caputo, Enrico Gasbarra, Doru-Claudian Frunzulică and Biljana Borzan, on behalf of the S&D Group, on mass graves of the missing persons of Ashia at Ornithi village in the occupied part of Cyprus (B8-0159/2015);
- Cristian Dan Preda, Eleni Theocharous, Lefteris Christoforou, Jiří Pospíšil, Davor Ivo Stier, Bogdan Brunon Wenta, Giovanni La Via, Lara Comi, Tunne Kelam, Dubravka Šuica, Pavel Svoboda, Stanislav Polčák, Francesc Gambús, Inese Vaidere, Jaromír Štětina, Jarosław Wałęsa, Tomáš Zdechovský, Jeroen Lenaers, Marijana Petir, Andrej Plenković, Joachim Zeller, Franck Proust, Ivan Štefanec, Seán Kelly, Michaela Šojdrová, Claude Rolin, József Nagy and Monica Macovei, on behalf of the PPE Group, on mass graves of the missing persons of Ashia at Ornithi village in the occupied part of Cyprus (B8-0161/2015).

Speaking time would be allocated in accordance with Rule 162.

3. Initiatives in the framework of the International Labour Organization debate on the right to strike (debate)

Commission statement: Initiatives in the framework of the International Labour Organization debate on the right to strike (2015/2553(RSP))

Marianne Thyssen (Member of the Commission) made the statement.

The following spoke: Claude Rolin, on behalf of the PPE Group, Jutta Steinruck, on behalf of the S&D Group, Helga Stevens, on behalf of the ECR Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Maria Grapini, Marian Harkin, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Kostas Chrysogonos, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Jean Lambert, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Laura Agea, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Sotirios Zarianopoulos, non-attached Member, who also replied to a blue-card question by Lampros Fountoulis, Jiří Pospíšil, Agnes Jongerius, Tania González Peñas, Jane Collins, Edouard Martin, Neoklis Sylikiotis, Ole Christensen, Helmut Scholz, Marita Ulvskog, Miguel Viegas, Jude Kirton-Darling, Josu Juaristi Abaunz, Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, who also replied to a blue-card question by António Marinho e Pinto, Guillaume Balas, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto and Vilija Blinkevičiūtė.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Danuta Jazłowiecka, Marc Tarabella, Ivan Jakovčić, Paloma López Bermejo, Sofia Ribeiro, Jonás Fernández, António Marinho e Pinto, Emmanouil Glezos, Tibor Szanyi and Maria Grapini.

The following spoke: Marianne Thyssen.

The debate closed.

4. European Youth Initiative (modification of the ESF regulation) (debate)

Commission statement: European Youth Initiative (modification of the ESF regulation) (2015/2554(RSP))

Marianne Thyssen (Member of the Commission) made the statement.

The following spoke: Lara Comi, on behalf of the PPE Group, Jutta Steinruck, on behalf of the S&D Group, Jana Žitňanská, on behalf of the ECR Group, Martina Dlabajová, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Patrick Le Hyaric, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Terry Reintke, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Jane Collins, on behalf of the EFDD Group,

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who also replied to a blue-card question by Liisa Jaakonsaari, Steeve Briois, non-attached Member, who also replied to a blue-card question by Victor Negrescu, Elisabeth Morin-Chartier, who also replied to two blue-card questions by Dubravka Šuica and Bronis Ropė, Maria João Rodrigues, Helga Stevens, Marian Harkin, Paloma López Bermejo, Karima Delli, who also replied to a blue-card question by Tomáš Zdechovský, and Mara Bizzotto.

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Vice-President

The following spoke: Brando Benifei to put a blue-card question to Mara Bizzotto, who replied, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Javi López, Richard Sulík, Enrique Calvet Chambon, Ernest Urtasun, Dominique Bilde, Tom Vandenkendelaere, Brando Benifei, Notis Marias, Jean Arthuis, Danuta Jazłowiecka, Marita Ulvskog, Ruža Tomašić, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Siegfried Mureşan, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Cláudia Monteiro de Aguiar, Krystyna Łybacka, Stanislav Polčák, Agnes Jongerius, Michaela Šojdrová, Glenis Willmott, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Maria Arena, Georgi Pirinski, Elena Gentile, Richard Howitt and Lynn Boylan.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Dubravka Šuica, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Angel Dzhabazki, António Marinho e Pinto, Lidia Senra Rodríguez, Bill Etheridge, Milan Zver, Tibor Szanyi, José Inácio Faria, Tania González Peñas and Andrey Novakov.

The following spoke: Marianne Thyssen.

The debate closed.

The following spoke: Seán Kelly on the catch-the-eye procedure (the President explained the criteria applied).

5. Promotion of employee financial participation (debate)

Question for oral answer (O-000002/2015) by Marita Ulvskog, on behalf of the EMPL Committee, to the Commission: Promotion of employee financial participation (2014/2987(RSP)) (B8-0103/2015)

Marita Ulvskog moved the question.

Věra Jourová (Member of the Commission) answered the question.

The following spoke: Jeroen Lenaers, on behalf of the PPE Group, Jutta Steinruck, on behalf of the S&D Group, Anthea McIntyre, on behalf of the ECR Group, Ulla Tørnæs, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Tiziana Beghin, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Lampros Fountoulis, non-attached Member, Sven Schulze, Brando Benifei, Ruža Tomašić, who also replied to a blue-card question by Ivan Jakovčić, Marian Harkin, Joëlle Mélin, Ádám Kósa, Beatrix von Storch, who also replied to a blue-card question by Bronis Ropė, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Danuta Jazłowiecka, Romana Tomc, Remo Sernagiotto, Theodor Dumitru Stolojan, Adam Szejnfeld and Francesc Gambús.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Franc Bogovič, Neena Gill, Notis Marias, Ivan Jakovčić, Inês Cristina Zuber, who also replied to a blue-card question by Adam Szejnfeld, Igor Šoltes and Sergio Gaetano Cofferati.

The following spoke: Věra Jourová.

The debate closed.

(The sitting was suspended at 13.35 and resumed at 15.00.)

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IN THE CHAIR: Adina-Ioana VĂLEAN

Vice-President

6. Approval of the minutes of the previous sitting

The minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

7. Cross-border exchange of information on road safety related traffic offences *I (debate)**

Report on the proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on facilitating cross-border exchange of information on road safety related traffic offences [COM(2014)0476 — C8-0113/2014 — 2014/0218(COD)] — Committee on Transport and Tourism. Rapporteur: Inés Ayala Sender (A8-0001/2015)

Inés Ayala Sender introduced the report.

The following spoke: Violeta Bulc (Member of the Commission).

The following spoke: Georges Bach, on behalf of the PPE Group, Ismail Ertug, on behalf of the S&D Group, Peter van Dalen, on behalf of the ECR Group, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Merja Kyllönen, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Bas Eickhout, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Peter Lundgren, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Sylvie Goddyn, non-attached Member, Wim van de Camp, Lucy Anderson, who also replied to a blue-card question by Bronis Ropé, Kosma Złotowski, Dominique Riquet, Jill Seymour, who also replied to a blue-card question by Matt Carthy, Georg Mayer, Dieter-Lebrecht Koch, Isabella De Monte, Gesine Meissner, Bruno Gollnisch, Deirdre Clune, Olga Sehnalová, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska and Dubravka Šuica.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Claudia Tapardel, Notis Marias, Ivan Jakovčić, Miguel Viegas, Igor Šoltes and Nicola Caputo.

The following spoke: Violeta Bulc and Inés Ayala Sender.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 11.2.2015, item 9.15.*

8. Situation in the Democratic Republic of Congo (debate)

Statement by the Vice-President of the Commission and High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy: Situation in the Democratic Republic of Congo (2015/2552(RSP))

Federica Mogherini (Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy) made the statement.

The following spoke: Davor Ivo Stier, on behalf of the PPE Group, Kashetu Kyenge, on behalf of the S&D Group, Louis Michel, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Lidia Senra Rodríguez, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Judith Sargentini, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, James Carver, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Mariya Gabriel, Maria Arena, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Elena Valenciano, Enrique Guerrero Salom and Doru-Claudian Frunzuliță.

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Vice-President

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Notis Marias, Ivan Jakovčić, Michèle Rivasi, Fabio Massimo Castaldo and Gianluca Buonanno.

The following spoke: Federica Mogherini.

The debate closed.

9. Shortage of funding for the UNRWA (debate)

Statement by the Vice-President of the Commission and High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy: Shortage of funding for the UNRWA (2015/2563(RSP))

Johannes Hahn (Member of the Commission) made the statement on behalf of the Vice-President of the Commission and High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy.

The following spoke: Mariya Gabriel, on behalf of the PPE Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Margrete Auken, Victor Boştinaru, on behalf of the S&D Group, Anders Primdahl Vistisen, on behalf of the ECR Group, Fernando Maura Barandiarán, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Martina Anderson, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Margrete Auken, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Eleftherios Synadinos, non-attached Member, Davor Ivo Stier, who also replied to a blue-card question by Ivan Jakovčić, Enrique Guerrero Salom, Ivo Vajgl, Neoklis Sylikiotis, Arne Lietz, Javier Nart, who also replied to a blue-card question by Arne Gericke, Patrick Le Hyaric, Richard Howitt, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial and Marita Ulvskog.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Franc Bogovič, Nicola Caputo, Josu Juaristi Abaunz and Ignazio Corrao.

The following spoke: Johannes Hahn.

The debate closed.

10. Corrigendum (Rule 231)

The corrigendum (P8_TA-PROV(2015)0004(COR01)) had been announced in plenary the previous day (*minutes of 9.2.2015, item 4*).

As there had been no request for a vote by a political group or at least 40 Members (Rule 231(4)), this corrigendum was deemed to have been approved.

(The sitting was suspended for a short time)

11. Situation in Ukraine (debate)

Statement by the Vice-President of the Commission and High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy: Situation in Ukraine (2015/2560(RSP))

Federica Mogherini (Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy) made the statement.

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The following spoke: Jacek Saryusz-Wolski, on behalf of the PPE Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Ioan Mircea Paşcu, Knut Fleckenstein, on behalf of the S&D Group, Charles Tannock, on behalf of the ECR Group, and Johannes Cornelis van Baalen, on behalf of the ALDE Group.

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Vice-President

The following spoke: Helmut Scholz, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Rebecca Harms, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Gianluca Buonanno, Valentinas Mazuronis, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Georgios Epitideios, non-attached Member, Cristian Dan Preda, Victor Boştinaru, Andrzej Duda, Petras Auštrevičius, Miloslav Ransdorf, Heidi Hautala, Mario Borghezio, who also replied to a blue-card question by Róza Gráfin von Thun und Hohenstein, Elmar Brok, who also replied to a blue-card question by Doru-Claudian Frunzuliță, Tonino Picula, Mark Demesmaeker, Ivo Vajgl, who also replied to a blue-card question by Marek Jurek, Reinhard Bütikofer, Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, who also replied to a blue-card question by Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski, Andrej Plenković, who also replied to two blue-card questions by William (The Earl of) Dartmouth and Ivan Jakovčić, Tibor Szanyi, Zdzisław Krasnodębski, Kaja Kallas, who also replied to a blue-card question by Dariusz Rosati, Peter Eriksson, Aymeric Chauprade, Sandra Kalniete, Andi Cristea, Marek Jurek, Nicolas Bay, Andrea Bocskor, Richard Howitt, Jaromír Štětina, who also replied to a blue-card question by Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Marju Lauristin, Jo Leinen, Eugen Freund and Jean-Luc Schaffhauser, the last on the speech by Eugen Freund.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Anna Záborská, Doru-Claudian Frunzuliță, Angel Dzhambazki, Urmas Paet, Inês Cristina Zuber, Fabio Massimo Castaldo and Krisztina Morvai.

The following spoke: Federica Mogherini.

The debate closed.

(The sitting was suspended at 19.25 and resumed at 19.35.)

IN THE CHAIR: David-Maria SASSOLI

Vice-President

12. 2015 Review Conference of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) (debate)

Statement by the Vice-President of the Commission and High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy: 2015 Review Conference of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) (2015/2555(RSP))

Federica Mogherini (Vice-President of the Commission/High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy) made the statement.

The following spoke: Michael Gahler, on behalf of the PPE Group, Ana Gomes, on behalf of the S&D Group, Angel Dzhambazki, on behalf of the ECR Group, Sabine Lösing, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Bodil Valero, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Mike Hookem, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Doru-Claudian Frunzuliță, Marek Jurek, Fabio Massimo Castaldo, Jeppe Kofod, Zigmantas Balčytis and Brando Benifei.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Julie Ward, Ivan Jakovčić, João Ferreira and Ignazio Corrao.

The following spoke: Federica Mogherini.

The debate closed.

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13. The work of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly (debate)

Report on the work of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly [2014/2154(INI)] — Committee on Development.
Rapporteur: Charles Goerens (A8-0012/2015)

Charles Goerens introduced the report.

The following spoke: Neven Mimica (Member of the Commission).

The following spoke: Maurice Ponga, on behalf of the PPE Group, Louis-Joseph Manscour, on behalf of the S&D Group, Arne Gericke, on behalf of the ECR Group, Hilde Vautmans, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Lola Sánchez Caldentey, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Judith Sargentini, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Ignazio Corrao, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Davor Ivo Stier, Norbert Neuser, João Ferreira, Nathan Gill, who also replied to two blue-card questions by Doru-Claudian Frunzulică and Charles Goerens, Bogdan Brunon Wenta, Kshetu Kyenge, Rosa Estaràs Ferragut, Pedro Silva Pereira, Joachim Zeller, Juan Fernando López Aguilar, Fernando Ruas and Cristian Dan Preda.

IN THE CHAIR: Sylvie GUILLAUME

Vice-President

The following spoke: Michael Gahler.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Mariya Gabriel, Michela Giuffrida, Notis Marias, Doru-Claudian Frunzulică, Ivan Jakovčić and Victor Negrescu.

The following spoke: Neven Mimica and Charles Goerens.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 11.2.2015, item 9.21.*

14. Composition of Parliament

The Greek authorities had given notice of the election of Stelios Kouloglou to replace Georgios Katrougkalos as Member of Parliament with effect from 27 January 2015.

Parliament took note of this and, in accordance with Article 7(1) of the Act of 20 September 1976 concerning the election of the representatives of the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage and Rule 4(1) and (4), confirmed that his seat was vacant with effect from 27 January 2015.

Under Rule 3(2), until such time as his credentials had been verified or a ruling had been given on any dispute, and provided that he had previously made a written declaration stating that he did not hold any office incompatible with that of Member of the European Parliament, Stelios Kouloglou would take his seat in Parliament and on its bodies and would enjoy all the rights attaching thereto.

15. Composition of interparliamentary delegations

The President had received the following request for an appointment from the ECR Group:

— Delegation for relations with Afghanistan: Amjad Bashir.

The appointment would be deemed ratified if no objections were raised before the approval of these Minutes.

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16. Zero tolerance for female genital mutilation (debate)

Question for oral answer (O-000003/2015) by Iratxe García Pérez on behalf of the FEMM Committee, to the Commission: Zero tolerance for female genital mutilation (FGM) (2014/2988(RSP)) (B8-0104/2015)

Iratxe García Pérez moved the question.

Věra Jourová (Member of the Commission) answered the question.

The following spoke: Constance Le Grip, on behalf of the PPE Group, Maria Arena, on behalf of the S&D Group, Beatrix von Storch, on behalf of the ECR Group, Catherine Bearder, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Malin Björk, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Jordi Sebastià, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Louise Bours, on behalf of the EFDD Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Catherine Bearder, Vicky Maeijer, non-attached Member, Rosa Estaràs Ferragut, Julie Ward, Jana Žitňanská, Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Ángela Vallina, Ignazio Corrao, Sylvie Goddyn, Mariya Gabriel, Liliana Rodrigues, Jadwiga Wiśniewska, Eleonora Forenza, Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Jens Nilsson, Julie Girling, Inês Cristina Zuber, Barbara Matera, Edouard Martin, Teresa Jiménez-Becerril Barrio, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Davor Ivo Stier, Michela Giuffrida and Evelyn Regner.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Marijana Petir, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Notis Marias, Hilde Vautmans, Anna Záborská, Biljana Borzan, Ruža Tomašić, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Caterina Chinnici and Mary Honeyball.

The following spoke: Věra Jourová.

The debate closed.

17. Accession of Gabon to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction * — Accession of Andorra to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction * — Accession of the Seychelles to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction * — Accession of Russia to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction * — Accession of Albania to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction * — Accession of Singapore to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction * — Accession of Morocco to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction * — Accession of Armenia to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction * (debate)

Report on the proposal for a Council decision on the declaration of acceptance by the Member States, in the interest of the European Union, of the accession of Gabon to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction [COM(2011)0904 — 2011/0441(NLE)] — Committee on Legal Affairs. Rapporteur: Heidi Hautala (A8-0007/2015)

Report on the proposal for a Council decision on the declaration of acceptance by the Member States, in the interest of the European Union, of the accession of Andorra to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction [COM(2011)0908 — 2011/0443(NLE)] — Committee on Legal Affairs. Rapporteur: Heidi Hautala (A8-0004/2015)

Report on the proposal for a Council decision on the declaration of acceptance by the Member States, in the interest of the European Union, of the accession of Seychelles to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction [COM(2011)0909 — 2011/0444(NLE)] — Committee on Legal Affairs. Rapporteur: Heidi Hautala (A8-0006/2015)

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Report on the proposal for a Council decision on the declaration of acceptance by the Member States, in the interest of the European Union, of the accession of the Russian Federation to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction [COM(2011)0911 — 2011/0447(NLE)] — Committee on Legal Affairs. Rapporteur: Heidi Hautala (A8-0008/2015)

Report on the proposal for a Council Decision on the declaration of acceptance by the Member States, in the interest of the European Union, of the accession of Albania to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction [COM(2011)0912 — 2011/0448(NLE)] — Committee on Legal Affairs. Rapporteur: Heidi Hautala (A8-0002/2015)

Report on the proposal for a Council decision on the declaration of acceptance by the Member States, in the interest of the European Union, of the accession of Singapore to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction [COM(2011)0915 — 2011/0450(NLE)] — Committee on Legal Affairs. Rapporteur: Heidi Hautala (A8-0003/2015)

Report on the proposal for a Council decision on the declaration of acceptance by the Member States, in the interest of the European Union, of the accession of Morocco to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction [COM(2011)0916 — 2011/0451(NLE)] — Committee on Legal Affairs. Rapporteur: Heidi Hautala (A8-0005/2015)

Report on the proposal for a Council decision on the declaration of acceptance by the Member States, in the interest of the European Union, of the accession of Armenia to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction [COM(2011)0917 — 2011/0452(NLE)] — Committee on Legal Affairs. Rapporteur: Heidi Hautala (A8-0009/2015)

Heidi Hautala introduced the reports.

The following spoke: Věra Jourová (Member of the Commission).

The following spoke: Tadeusz Zwiefka, on behalf of the PPE Group, Mary Honeyball, on behalf of the S&D Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Jadwiga Wiśniewska, Angel Dzhambazki, on behalf of the ECR Group, António Marinho e Pinto, on behalf of the ALDE Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Tibor Szanyi, Jiří Maštálka, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Laura Ferrara, on behalf of the EFDD Group, Gilles Lebreton, non-attached Member, Roberta Metsola, Evelyn Regner, Jana Žitňanská, Catherine Bearder, Petr Mach, Georgios Epitideios, Emil Radev, Sergio Gaetano Cofferati, Marcus Pretzell, Marijana Petir, Jytte Guteland, Jarosław Wałęsa, Peter Jahr, Anna Záborská and Mairead McGuinness.

The following spoke under the catch-the-eye procedure: Csaba Sógor, Caterina Chinnici, Notis Marias, Ignazio Corrao, Ruža Tomašić and Janusz Wojciechowski.

The following spoke: Věra Jourová and Heidi Hautala.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 11.2.2015, item 9.6, minutes of 11.2.2015, item 9.7, minutes of 11.2.2015, item 9.8, minutes of 11.2.2015, item 9.9, minutes of 11.2.2015, item 9.10, minutes of 11.2.2015, item 9.11, minutes of 11.2.2015, item 9.12 and minutes of 11.2.2015, item 9.13.*

18. Agenda of the next sitting

The agenda of the next day's sitting had been established ('Agenda' PE 548.169/OJME).

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19. Closure of the sitting

The sitting closed at 23.30.

Klaus Welle
Secretary-General

Ulrike Lunacek
Vice-President

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ATTENDANCE REGISTER

Present:

Adaktusson, Adinolfi, Agea, Agnew, Aguilera García, Albiol Guzmán, Ali, Aliot, Anderson Lucy, Anderson Martina, Andersson, Andrieu, Androulakis, Annemans, Arena, Arimont, Arnautu, Arnott, Arthuis, Ashworth, Assis, Atkinson, Auken, Auštrevičius, Ayala Sender, Ayuso, van Baalen, Bach, Balas, Balčytis, Balczó, Balz, Barekov, Башир, Batten, Bay, Bayet, Bearder, Becerra Basterrechea, Becker, Beghin, Belet, Bendtsen, Benifei, Bergeron, Bettini, Bilbao Barandica, Bilde, Bizzotto, Björk, Blanco López, Blinkevičiūtė, Bocskor, Bøge, Bogovič, Bonafè, Boni, Borrelli, Borzan, Bours, Boutonnet, Bové, Boylan, Brannen, Bresso, Briano, Briois, Brok, Buchner, Buda, Bullmann, Buonanno, Bušoi, Bütikofer, Buzek, Cabezón Ruiz, Cadec, Calvet Chambon, van de Camp, Campbell Bannerman, Caputo, Carthy, Carver, Caspary, Castaldo, del Castillo Vera, Cavada, Valero, Cesa, Charanzová, Chaurprade, Childers, Chinnici, Christensen, Christoforou, Chrysogonos, Cicu, Cirio, Clune, Coburn, Coelho, Coffrati, Collin-Langen, Collins, Comi, Comodini Cachia, Corazza Bildt, Corbett, Corrao, Couso Permuy, Cramer, Cristea, Csáky, Czarnecki, van Dalen, Dalton, D'Amato, Dance, Dăncilă, Danjean, Danti, Dantin, (The Earl of) Dartmouth, De Backer, De Castro, Delahaye, Deli, Delli, Delvaux, Demesmaeker, De Monte, Denanot, Deprez, Deß, Deutsch, Deva, Diaconu, Díaz de Mera García Consuegra, Dlabajová, Dodds Anneliese, Dodds Diane, Dohrmann, Dorfmann, D'Ornano, Duda, Duncan, Durand, Dzhambazki, Eck, Eickhout, Engel, Engström, Epitideios, Erdős, Eriksson, Ertug, Estaràs Ferragut, Etheridge, Evans, Evi, Faria, Ferber, Fernandes, Fernández, Ferrand, Ferrara, Ferreira Elisa, Ferreira João, Finch, Fitto, Fjellner, Flanagan, Flašíková Beňová, Fleckenstein, Florenz, Ford, Forenza, Foster, Fountoulis, Fox, Freund, Frunzulică, Gabriel, Gahler, Gál, Gáll-Pelcz, Gambús, Gardiazabal Rubial, Gardini, Gasbarra, Geier, Gentile, Gerbrandy, Gericke, Geringer de Oedenberg, Giegold, Gierek, Gieseke, Gill Nathan, Gill Neena, Girling, Giuffrida, Glezos, Goddyn, Goerens, Gollnisch, Gomes, González Peñas, González Pons, Gosiewska, Goulard, Grammatikakis, de Grandes Pascual, Grapini, Gräßle, Griesbeck, Griffin, Grigule, Gróbarczyk, Groote, Grossetête, Grzyb, Gualtieri, Guerrero Salom, Guillaume, Guteland, Gutiérrez Prieto, Hadjigeorgiou, Halla-aho, Hannan, Harkin, Häusling, Hautala, Hayes, Hazekamp, Hedh, Hellvig, Helmer, Henkel, Herranz García, Hetman, Heubuch, Hoffmann, Hohlmeier, Hökmark, Honeyball, Hookem, Hortefeux, Howitt, Hübner, Iturgaiz, Iwaszkiewicz, Jaakonsaari, Jääteenmäki, Jackiewicz, Jadot, Jahr, Jakovčić, Jalkh, James, Jáuregui Atondo, Jávora, Jazłowiecka, Ježek, Jiménez-Becerril Barrio, Jongerius, Juaristi Abaunz, Jurek, Juvin, Kadenbach, Kaili, Kalinowski, Kallas, Kalniete, Kammerevert, Kappel, Karas, Kari, Karim, Kariņš, Karlsson, Karski, Kaufmann, Kefalogiannis, Kelam, Keller Jan, Keller Ska, Kelly, Khan, Kirkhope, Kirton-Darling, Koch, Kofod, Kölmel, Konečná, Korwin-Mikke, Kósa, Köster, Köstinger, Kovács, Kovatchev, Koźłowska-Rajewicz, Krasnodębski, Krehl, Kudrycka, Kukan, Kumpula-Natri, Kuźmiuk, Kyenge, Kyllönen, Kyrkos, Kyrtos, Kyuchyuk, Lamassouse, Lambert, Lambsdorff, Landsbergis, Lange, Langen, Lauristin, La Via, Lavrillex, Lebreton, Le Grip, Legutko, Le Hyaric, Leinen, Lenaers, Le Pen Jean-Marie, Le Pen Marine, Lewandowski, Lewer, Lietz, Lins, Lochbihler, Loiseau, Loones, Lope Fontagné, López, López Aguilar, López Bermejo, López-Istúriz White, Lösing, Lucke, Ludvigsson, Łukacijewska, Lunacek, Lundgren, Łybacka, McAllister, McAvan, McClarkin, McGuinness, Mach, McIntyre, Macovei, Maeijer, Maletić, Malinov, Maltese, Mamikins, Maňka, Mann, Manscour, Maragall, Marias, Marinescu, Marinho e Pinto, Martin David, Martin Edouard, Martusciello, Marusik, Maštálka, Matera, Matias, Mato, Maura Barandiarán, Maurel, Mavrides, Mayer, Mazuronis, Meissner, Mélenchon, Mélin, Melior, Melo, Messerschmidt, Meszerics, Metsola, Michel, Michels, Mihaylova, Millán Mon, van Miltenburg, Mlinar, Moi, Moisa, Molnár, Monet, Monteiro de Aguiar, Montel, Moody, Moraes, Morgano, Morin-Chartier, Morvai, Müller, Mureşan, Muselier, Mussolini, Nagy, Nart, Negrescu, Nekov, Neuser, Nica, Nicholson, Nicolai, Niebler, Niedermüller, Nilsson, van Nistelrooij, Noichl, Novakov, Nuttall, Obermayr, O'Flynn, Ožóg, Pabriks, Paet, Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Paksas, Panzeri, Paolucci, Papadakis Demetris, Papadakis Konstantinos, Papadimoulis, Pargneaux, Parker, Paşcu, Paulsen, Paunova, Pavel, Pedicini, Peillon, Petir, Philippot, Picierno, Picula, Piecha, Pietikäinen, Piotrowski, Piri, Pirinski, Pitera, Plenković, Plura, Poc, Poche, Pogliese, Polčák, Ponga, Pospíšil, Preda, Pretzell, Preuß, Proust, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Radev, Radoš, Rangel, Ransdorf, Rebeqa, Reda, Reding, Regner, Rehn, Reid, Reintke, Reul, Revault D'Allonnes Bonnefoy, Ribeiro, Ries, Riquet, Rivasi, Rochefort, Rodrigues Liliانا, Rodrigues Maria João, Rodríguez-Piñero Fernández, Rohde, Rolin, Ropé, Rosati, Rozière, Ruas, Rübige, Saïfi, Sakorafa, Salini, Salvini, Sánchez Caldentey, Sant, Sárbu, Sargentini, Sarvamaa, Saryusz-Wolski, Sassoli, Saudargas, Schaake, Schaffhauser, Schaldemose, Schlein, Schmidt, Scholz, Schöpflin, Schulz, Schulze, Schuster, Schwab, Sebastia, Sehnalová, Senra Rodríguez, Sernagiotto, Serrão Santos, Seymour, Siekierski, Silva Pereira, Simon Peter, Simon Siôn, Sippel, Škripek, Škrlec, Smith, Sógor, Šojdrová, Šoltes, Sommer, Sonneborn, Spinelli, Spyraiki, Staes, Stanishev, Starbatty, Štefanec, Steinruck, Štětina, Stevens, Stier, Stihler, Stolojan, von Storch, Stuger, Šuica, Sulík, Šulin, Swinburne, Sylikiotis, Synadinos, Szájer, Szanyi, Szejnfeld, Tajani, Tamburrano, Tănăsescu, Tannock, Tapardel, Tarabella, Tarand, Taylor, Telička, Terricabras, Theocharous, Theurer, Thomas, Thun und Hohenstein, Toia, Tóké, Tomaševski, Tomašić, Tomc, Toom, Tørnæs, Torvalds, Tošenovský, Toti, Trebesius, Tremosa i Balcells, Troszczynski, Trüpel, Turmes, Ujazdowski, Ujhelyi, Ulvskog, Urtausun, Urutchev, Uspaskich, Vaidere, Vajgl, Valcárcel Siso, Válean, Valenciano, Valli, Vallina, Vana, Van Bossuyt, Van Brempt, Vandenkendelaere, Van Orden, Vaughan, Vautmans, Väyrynen, Viegas, Vilimsky, Viotti, Virkkunen, Vistisen, Voigt, Voss, Vozemberg-Vrionidi, Wałęsa, Ward, Weber Renate, Weidenholzer, von Weizsäcker, Wenta, Werner, Westphal, Wieland, Wikström, Willmott, Winberg, Winkler Hermann, Winkler Iuliu, Wiśniewska, Wojciechowski, Woolfe, Záborská, Zagorakis, Zala, Zalba Bidegain, Zanni, Zanonato, Zarianopoulos, Ždanoka, Zdechovský, Zdrojewski, Zeller, Zemke, Zile, Zimmer, Žitňanská, Złotowski, Zorinho, Zuber, Zullo, Zver, Zwiefka

Excused:

Crowley, Girauta Vidal, Händel, Jansen, Mizzi, Vergiat, Żółtek