

PARLAMENT ČESKÉ REPUBLIKY Poslanecká sněmovna předseda výboru pro evropské záležitosti Mgr. Ondřej Benešík

Prague, 26st February 2018

Dear Mr. President,

I would like to inform you about the opinion of the Committee for European Affairs of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic

on the the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the Delivery of the European Agenda on Migration /COM(2017)558 final, Council Code 12702/17/;

on the Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council - Progress Report on the European Agenda on Migration /COM(2017)669 final, Council Code 14473/17 and

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council - Commission contribution to the EU Leaders' thematic debate on a way forward on the external and the internal dimension of migration policy /COM(2017)820 final, Council Code 15574/17/.

The respective documents were included in the agenda of the 7th session of the Committee for European Affairs and were scrutinized on 15th February 2018. According to the Rules of Procedure of the Chamber of Deputies the Minister of Interior was present at the session to introduce the preliminary Government's Framework Position.

After the hearing of the rapporteur's review and after the discussion the Committee has adopted the resolution No. 31 which is enclosed to this letter.

Yours sincerely

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Mr. Jean-Claude Juncker President of the European Commission B r u s s e l s

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Conclusions of the Resolution:

Committee for European Affairs

1. **takes note of** the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the Delivery of the European Agenda on Migration; the Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council - Progress Report on the European Agenda on Migration and the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council - Commission to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council - Commission contribution to the European Parliament, the European Council and the Council - Commission contribution to the EU Leaders' thematic debate on a way forward on the external and the internal dimension of migration policy /COM(2017)820 final, Council Code 15574/17/;

2. **emphasizes** the rejection of the automatic mandatory relocation mechanism reflected in the framework of the reform of the Common European Asylum Policy, and also expresses doubts over the solution of migratory flows through compulsory resettlement;

3. **appreciates** the approach of national states such as Hungary, Italy, Macedonia and Bulgaria, which have significantly contributed to the active protection of European borders and the substantial reduction of migratory pressure;

4. **strongly asks for** distinguishing between economic migrants and grant temporary protection to vulnerable persons in accelerated asylum procedures;

5. **refuses** the further transfer of powers in national asylum procedures to the institutions of the European Union;

6. supports fast creating of a common list of Safe Countries;

7. **authorizes** the Chairman of the European Affairs Committee to forward this resolution to the President of the European Commission **in the context of the Political Dialogue**.

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