

Amendments submitted to the draft resolution "on Liberties and fundamental rights in Europe"

No	Party	Lines	Action	Current Text	Proposed Amendment	Explanation/Comment
1	Bündnis 90/Die Grünen	5	add	principles of peace, freedom and tolerance towards diversity.	principles of peace, freedom, justice and tolerance towards diversity	
2	LMP	5	add		Liberties and fundamental rights have, however, been under severe pressure from governments in other member states of the EU.	
3	Bündnis 90/Die Grünen	6-8	delete and add	The European Union emerged partly as a response....., and caused a world war.	The European Union emerged as a response... ... and caused two World Wars."	
4	EELV	8	replace	and caused a world war	and caused world wars	self explanatory
5	FYEG	10-11	replace	the rights of people	the rule of law	The concept of rule of law is more coherent, and is a fundamental principal of all liberal democracies, as well as a part of political pact which was agreed.

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6	Groen	12-21	Replace and move to line 45	<p>Sadly, Europe has been hit by acts of terrorism over the last few years, proving that we are not free from the ongoing violent conflicts in a globalised world. The 2004 attacks in Madrid, 2005 attacks in London, and most recently, the direct attack to freedom of expression last January with the murders at Charlie Hebdo's office in Paris, have fed the debate on security against liberty.</p> <p>The freedoms guaranteed within the EU, and particularly the freedom of movement of people across former national borders of countries taking part in the Schengen area, are now being questioned by extreme nationalist parties emerging and growing in different European countries. Many of them having often stated their goal not only of closing borders but ultimately of dismantling the EU, they do now attempt to gain popularity making use of tragic terrorist attacks in order to spread their ideology further and promote a generalised islamophobia.</p>	<p>Recent events are further endangering the fundamental rights of European citizens. Europe has been hit by acts of terrorism over the last few years, proving that we are not free from the ongoing violent conflicts in a globalised world. The 2004 attacks in Madrid, 2005 attacks in London, and most recently, the direct attack to freedom of expression last January with the murders at Charlie Hebdo's office in Paris, have fed the debate on security against liberty.</p> <p>The freedoms guaranteed within the EU, and particularly the freedom of movement of people across former national borders of countries taking part in the Schengen area, are now being questioned by nationalist parties in different European countries. Many of them having often stated their goal not only of closing borders but ultimately of dismantling the EU, they do now attempt to gain popularity making use of tragic terrorist attacks in order to spread their ideology further and promote a generalised islamophobia.</p>	<p>To get more focus in this text we would move these two paragraphs (line 12-21) under line 44. We would add one sentence in the beginning of the first paragraph (line 12).</p> <p>In the second paragraph we would delete the words extreme and emerging and growing. Nicolas Sarkozy is one example from a traditional party questioning the Shengen Area.</p>
7	EELV	15	add	the direct attack to freedom of expression last January with the murders at Charlie Hebdo's office in Paris, have fed the debate on security against liberty.	the direct attacks to freedom of expression last January with the murders at Charlie Hebdo's office in Paris, the attack at a kosher grocery store in Paris in January, closely followed by attacks in Copenhagen in February have fed the debate on security against liberty.	it is important to add these two events for the sake of completeness.
8	Bündnis 90/Die Grünen	15	add		"... Hebdo's office in Paris and the murders of Jews in Paris and Kopenhagen... "	

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9	Bündnis 90/Die Grünen	21	replace	"islamophobia"	"anti-muslim-rascism"	
10	Groen	22-24	replace	Furthermore , certain EU member states with ruling conservative parties have passed new legislation or reforms that seriously restrict fundamental freedoms to their citizens, thus undermining the quality of their democracies.	In recent years , certain EU member states with ruling conservative parties have passed new legislation or reforms that seriously restrict the fundamental rights of their citizens, thus undermining the quality of their democracies.	- Change of the text in line 22 because we moved the two previous paragraphs down. - Fundamental rights is the focus of this text so we would use this instead of freedoms (line 24).
11	EELV	22	delete	Furthermore, certain EU member states with ruling conservative parties have passed new legislation or reforms	Furthermore, certain EU member states have passed new legislation or reforms	The French government has passed such legislation and is not from a conservative party.
12	Bündnis 90/Die Grünen	22	add		"...with conservative and socialist parties like in France ..."	
13	Groen	25	add	In Spain	For instance in Spain	
14	FYEG	26	replace	people's democratic rights	fundamental human rights	Fundamental human rights is an universal term to express all human rights framework and its development and current status, there is no need to change the term, even in case of different regime. All people born free and equal and that is the base for fundamental rights and thus democracy, not vice-versa.

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15	LMP	37-41 OR 44?????? ??	replace	In Hungary, the constitutional reform of 2013 had a severe effect on the independence of the judiciary and data protection authorities among others, media pluralism, rights of minorities and rights of the political opposition.	In Hungary, the constitutional reform and the subsequent legislative changes had a severe effect on the democratic system of checks and balances , the independence of the judiciary and data protection authorities among others, the fairness of the electoral system, media pluralism, right to social security, freedom of thought, conscience and religion and freedom of information, respectively.	clarifications
16	EELV	44	add paragraph		In France, an anti- terrorism law was passed in September 2014, despite serious reservations of human rights associations. Among other problematic dispositions, the law allowed direct censorship of websites without judicial intervention and aroused concerns on freedom of speech and the potential criminalization of social contest. A new "Intelligence Law" has been passed on May 5th 2015, again despite the unanimous opposition of a large panel of associations. This law extends the powers of the French Intelligence service and raises new concerns about privacy and personal data, as it gives these services free rein for mass surveillance of the Internet and extends the possibility of such surveillance to social movements and whistleblowers.	As the resolution gives examples of laws and actions taken against liberties and fundamental rights, it seems necessary to also present the situation in France, especially with the new law that has just been passed.
17	FYEG	44	replace	Human Rights	human rights	There is no need to use capitals. There are not used in other similar cases neither.
18	Bündnis 90/Die Grünen	44	add		"... and the Hungarian government's proposal to re-introduce the death penalty."	

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19	LMP	44	add new paragraph		In Romania new mass surveillance laws have been put in place, which undermine citizens' right to privacy in the name of combating terrorism. Moreover, Romania has been disregarding national minorities' rights to assemble and to use minority languages.	
20	GGEP	44	add new paragraph		"Finally the latest call for a national "questionnaire" on migration, being manipulative and misleading, along the government's recent considerations on the re-introduction of the death penalty, is disturbing and worrying and should be legally challenged by the EU."	The latest developments raises serious concerns of the respect of the very EU acquis by the Hungarian Government, and can be seen as a direct provocation by Hungary towards the EU Commission and other EU Member states.
21	Vihreät De Gröna	46	add	We reaffirm our commitment towards a Europe based on freedom, solidarity and full democracy.	We reaffirm our commitment towards a Europe based on freedom, human rights, rule of law , solidarity and full democracy.	We should highlight human rights and rule of law in this first demand.
22	FYEG	47	replace	extremism	discrimination and hatred	The term of extremism is currently corrupted, moreover, in different countries has got different connotation. Discrimination and hatred is a phenomenon which is very often related to extremism but on the other hand is not such narrow and unclear (green activism is still considered as an extremism for big part of society too). Both, discrimination and hatred, is already part of legal provisions incl. international standards. These phenomena we need to combat (politically) first.
23	Bündnis 90/Die Grünen	47	add		..."and the rule of law."	

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24	Groen	49-50	delete	We therefore reject any undermining of civil liberties, and clearly say 'NO' to an EU "Patriot Act", or any other steps towards similar restrictions of freedom ...	We therefore reject any undermining of civil liberties, and clearly say 'NO' to any step towards restrictions of freedom...	There is no reference in this text to an EU Patriot Act. We would suggest to speak about legislation in general.
25	FYEG	50	replace	freedom and human and political rights	fundamental freedoms, civil and political rights	Human rights is an umbrella term for all human rights incl. civil and political rights (ICCPR); fundamental freedoms, civil and political rights are more clear, correct.
26	FYEG	52	replace	EU Charter of Fundamental Rights	Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and European Convention on Human Rights	Not correct name. Addition of European Convention on Human Rights, which is base for European human rights legal framework, as well as for the charter.
27	GroenLinks	53	add		2a. We call on the European Commission to activate its rule of law framework in order to counter the threats to civil liberties in Hungary and Spain.	We think it is important to act against threats to civil rights in our own member states, not only be strict on the rest of the world.
28	EELV	53	add		We defend the right to privacy and to the protection of personal data.	We find it important to counterbalance what we reject with what we defend to be a little more positive
29	Groen	54-55	replace	We underline that no fundamental right nor the principle of rule of law can be compromised in the otherwise legitimate goal of enhancing security and cooperation against global terrorism.	We underline that enhancing security and cooperation against global terrorism cannot compromise fundamental democratic rights or the principle of rule of law.	
30	FYEG	54	replace	fundamental right	fundamental human rights and liberties	All text is about human rights and liberties/freedoms, there is no need to change the term, to simplify it.

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31	Groen	56-60	delete point 4			We would suggest to take this paragraph out of this resolution. There will be a plenary on this (Europe's Values Questioned: Our Answers to Extremism) during the Zagreb council. This issue can be addressed in this session.
32	Groen	61-68	delete point 5			We would take this paragraph out of this resolution. It should be part of a separate debate on migration taking place during the Zagreb council.
33	GroenLinks	61-68	delete	5. We consider it ... may be at risk."	delete in full	We think this issue is different from the rest of the resolution and deserves an own resolution, which we understood the Committee is providing.
34	GroenLinks	63	replace	migration policy	refugee policy	We think it is important not to mix migration policies (and problems) with refugee policies.
35	Vihreät De Gröna	68	add		6. Therefore, we call for a serious commitment from the EU and its member states to create more legal routes for migrants seeking to come to the EU to live and work and refugees to come to seek protection, such as a humanitarian corridor. There is also an urgent need to establish a system for search and rescue throughout the Mediterranean. Additionally the EU should develop a system of responsibility-sharing towards refugees and develop and harmonize its asylum processing system.	The resolution is not concrete what shall be done to the situation in the Mediterranean (paragraph 5), so some concrete actions should be mentioned. We propose a new bullet/paragraph (number 6) after the paragraph 5.
36	GGEP	68	add		These practices under national law are in direct violation with EU and international law, and the principal of non-refoulement and should be stopped immediately.	Clarification of why the practices are illegal