

Amendments to draft resolution Fighting Trump and the far right



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1	Groen	1 - 136	global comment			We agree that we need as greens need to find a common strategy on how to react to Trump. But we don't think that this text provides the answers. The green group in the parliament started to do a similar analyses and was able to come up with more convincing answers that we would like to debate on. Maybe EGP can organise a discussion in order that the green family can come up with more focussed and feasible answers.
2	EGP Committee	1-136	replace with new text	old text	new text, see annex 6BIS	
3	EELV		Replace and add	Fighting Trump and the far-right	Fighting Trump's ideology and the far-rights	We are not fighting Trump, a democratic elected president. That is the American people's role. Moreover, putting Trump in the first half of the title doesn't make sense with the rest, where Europe is the main target, our target. Then there are various forms of far-rights : Trump is not Erdogan, nor Orban, nor Poutin, nor Rodrigo Duterte (Philippines). Even if we fight Trump, this will not get the USA rid of the Tea Party, KuKlux Klan and the likes.
4	German Greens	1 - 2	replace	Fighting Trump and the far right: building the alternative through deeper democratization and socio-economic integration in the EU	Fighting Trump and the illiberal movement: Building the alternative of strengthening European democracy and socio-economic integration	

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5	EELV	6	add	The election of Donald Trump as US President last 8th 4 November 2016 is a result that will not only entail a huge impact to those residing in the US, but, moreover, is likely to cause major turbulences on a worldwide scale.	The election of Donald Trump as US President last 8th November 2016 is a result that will not only entail a huge impact to those residing in the US, but, moreover, is likely to cause major turbulences on a worldwide scale as other leaders in the world are following the same policies.	self explanatory
6	EELV	8 - 11	delete and replace	Trump indeed represents, primarily, a threat to democracy, freedom and the rights of American citizens. His overt agenda foresees restricting civil liberties, dismantling social rights, distributive policies and social coverage - all this with a misogynous bias - as well as a conflicting protectionism, harassment of "minorities" and disengagement of multilateral bodies, besides representing a real threat to division of powers.	Primarily, President Trump may represent a threat to what America has always stood for and this requires our complete solidarity to the people who are standing up for their rights.	The 45th President of the United States has been democratically elected. Although we might hate the positions he takes, these are the ones chosen by a majority of Americans. We should avoid things that look like we are passing a judgement on an other country's democratic choice, but at the same time remain critical. For that reason we should also give him his title :-(. This being said, the resolution should only address what has direct impacts on EU.

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7	Austrian Greens	11	add	after "... division of powers."	As one of his very first actions as president, Trump not only brought back but drastically expanded the so-called global gag rule, which blocks US funding for organisations that provide abortion services, counselling or referrals. n. With the expansion, even funding for vital health services like contraception, maternal health and HIV/AIDS prevention is under threat. This will have dramatic consequences for millions of women and girls worldwide.	
8	FYEG	13	add		This also represents a major threat to Climate and environmental protection, in the US and worldwide, as the recently published budget of the Trump's administration suggests major investments in shale gas and fossil fuels, while watering down those in environmental, biodiversity and climate protection.	Precisions.
9	Austrian Greens	15	add	...and intensification of the conflict to China can be expected...	and intensification of the conflicts to China and Iran can be expected	Attacks (like entry ban etc.) on Iran by Trump may cause a shift from President Hassan Rouhani to radicals like Ahmadinejad.
10	EELV	15	delete and replace	Whereas, in international relations, a shift and intensification of the conflict to China can be expected,	Whereas, in international relations, a shift and intensification in the relations with China can be expected	At present there is no "conflict" between China and the USA. The relations are taut, for sure. Let's not foretell the future

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11	German Greens	15 - 18	replace	Whereas in international relations a shift and intensification of the conflict to China can be expected, at the same time we can assume an effective distancing from multilateral institutions and bodies, as well as an interested disengagement from international commitments (climatic, economic and financial trade and even the UN-system).	In international relations we can expect the U.S. to disengage from multilateral rules based institutions and to undo its international commitments to Human Rights, climate protection, security, developmental cooperation, monetary and financial stability, and international trade. In all these policy fields, we have to anticipate shifts with major impacts for Europe and the world and even the UN system.	
12	FYEG	17	add	...(climatic, economic and financial-trade...)	...(climatic, security (NATO), women's rights protection (GGR) , economic and financial-trade...)	These are also essential disengagements from the Trump's administration that are having worldwide impacts.
13	Vihreät-De Gröna	18 - 20	delete	This will most probably prevent any effective tackling of major global challenges, and at the same time, inhibits spaces that can prevent political-economic-monetary-regional-trade conflicts from escalating and feeding each other.		Proposed in order to shorten the text
14	German Greens	19 - 20	replace	, inhibits spaces that can prevent political economic monetary regional trade conflicts from escalating and feeding each other.	increases the likelihood for political tensions and trade conflicts, including with China.	

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15	German Greens	22 - 43	delete lines 22 to 43 and replace		The EU still is a guarantor of peace between the member states. The EU stands for freedom, democracy and equal rights. It is a pioneer when it comes to equality and environmental protection. Solidarity is a key European value as well as the promotion of human rights. These achievements cannot hide that over these last years, the crisis has threatened many social, democratic and economic achievements and that it has laid bare the EU's and its member states' inability to offer viable and cohesive solutions for major new challenges. In the EU as in the US, inequality is rising since the 70s and societies are deeply divided. This caters for populist parties and movements to gain ground and grab power in the US and in many EU member states. The outcome of the Brexit Referendum and the election of Donald Trump have served as wake-up calls.	
16	Austrian Greens	23	replace	... and candidacy with fascist traces..."	... and candidacy with nationalist traces..."	

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17	Groen Links	23 - 25	Replace and delete	It is a clear evidence of the current blindness towards a modernized and updated fascism - clearly with differences from the fascisms of the 30s and a camouflage that makes them very dangerous.	It is a clear evidence of the current blindness towards far right populism.	We believe far right populism is a better term to use to describe Trump, then a fascism.
18	Austrian Greens	24	replace	...a modernized and updated fascism...	...a new nationalism...	
19	Austrian Greens	24 - 25	delete	... clearly with a difference from the fascisms of the 30s and a camouflage that makes them very dangerous.		
20	EELV	26	delete	And as we can see, Europe is sadly no exception to this trend, but rather one of the regions where this trend is more visible.	And as we can see, Europe is sadly no exception to this trend.	Doesn't add essential information. Moreover what about Central Asia, East Asia, South east Asia (Phillipines!) with its "overwhelming" neighbour China
21	Austrian Greens	27	replace	A clear recent consequence of such a trend in our continent is already a reality with the outcome of the Brexit referendum.	A recent consequence of nationalist populism is the outcome of the Brexit referendum.	Brexit is not an outcome of fascism. This would trivialise facism. Brexit is a (among other issues) a product of nationalism and fear of globalisation.
22	Ecologist Greens	27	add		The globalization of the capital has been producing economic crises, increasing unemployment, limiting social care and welfare state and finally has been firing up far-right parties all over Europe.	We have to see the roots of the problem in society, that is making voters move "easier" to far right parties

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23	Austrian Greens	30	delete	... (not to mention Germany , Sweden,...)	... (not to mention Sweden,...)	Compared to countries like France, Austria, Hungary and others, the polls for the far-right party (AfD) are rather modest, since protest votes might also go to the Left Party or even to SPD/Schulz. The danger for weakening the EU project does not primarily originate from Germany.
24	Groen Links	30 - 31	delete	(not to mention Germany, Sweden, Finland, the Netherlands , Hungary, etc.)	(not to mention Germany, Sweden, Finland, Hungary, etc.)	Makes text in accordance with our latest election, Wilders didn't win
25	FYEG	31	replace	Elisée	Elysée, i.e. the presidential palace	wording.
26	EELV	31	replace	with Front National having a real chance to access the Elisée.	with Front National having a real chance to access the Elysée.	Editorial
27	Austrian Greens	36	delete	... and philo-fascist populist movements...	and populist movements...	
28	Vihreät-De Gröna	36	replace	fuelling the expectations of all kind of far-right and philo-fascist populist movements across the globe	fuelling the expectations of all kind of far-right and national and racist populist movements across the globe	The original wording is alien for most people.

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29	EELV	46	add new paragraph		In Europe, this political trend is reinforced by the complete inability to seize and take advantage of the questions that would have led to a shared vision and many inconsequent chosen options that enabled the populist leaders to campaign against the european integration by focusing on the european failings. There will be a time to reflect and assess the deep mistakes and failings of the European Union and its Members States, which can be done when re-negotiating the actual treaties.	Self explanatory
30	EELV	47	add and replace	It seems important to be able to understand the strength of the national identities and, once understood, to be able to confront them politically and propose an alternative.	It seems important to be able to understand the strength of misused national identity, that is to say nationalism , and, once understood, to be able to confront it politically and propose an alternative in a pluralistic European reality, transgressing our own national, political and intellectual borders. This would be an efficient retort to populism.	More than national identity, it is the fact that it is used as a flag, a criterion of belonging, an excluding factor that is to be fought against. When Sarkozy has a ministry where he gathers national identity and immigration then it is definitely a distortion of a national identity, which in fact only means that a population shares common characteristics that allow them to be called members of the same nation

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31	German Greens	47 - 54	delete 47 to 54 and replace		<p>For coming up with a European political alternative it seems important that we better understand why voters feel attracted to narratives based on ethno-nationalist identity, antagonising hate politics and illiberal economic policies. Grievances may have diverse sources: feelings of economic uncertainties through globalisation, automatisisation, digitalisation; frustrations about economic inequalities and social injustices; perceptions of internal and external security threats; a backlash against ethnic diversity and liberal gender policy; alleged gaps between political elites and ordinary people; the belief that democracy, peace and freedom could be taken for granted; the new media).</p> <p>Also, we need to confront the populist narratives, by unveiling why their promises and provocations, oversimplifications, falsehoods and inconsistencies cannot resolve but will betray people's complaints and expectations.</p>	

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32	Vihreät-De Gröna	56 - 59	delete	It is here where we will maximize our chances to unmask Trump and make evident that, not only him as a billionaire, but also most of the far-right populist leaders in Europe who portray themselves as anti-establishment are usually nothing but clear exponents of the establishment itself, winners of the capitalist globalization, and belonging to the 1% who most benefit from the current system.		Proposed in order to shorten the text
33	EELV	56 - 59	delete and replace	It is here where we will maximize our chances to unmask Trump and make evident that, not only him as a billionaire, but also most of the far-right populist leaders in Europe who portray themselves as anti-establishment are usually nothing but clear exponents of the establishment itself, winners of the capitalist globalization, and belonging to the 1% who most benefit from the current system.	We have to unmask all the right wing extremist leaders who portray themselves as anti-establishment and are usually nothing but clear exponents of the establishment itself, winners of the capitalist globalization, and belonging to the 1% who most benefit from the current system, such as President Trump.	we should not be focusing only on the american president when our concern is the EU. The current text is too long and might lead to confusion. Unfortunately he is only one of them !
34	German Greens	59	delete	, and belonging to the 1% who most benefit from the current system.		

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35	German Greens	61	replace	it being an existing risk as we could envisage	it being an existential risk as we could envisage	
36	Vihreät-De Gröna	64 - 66	delete	Clearly, the usual recipe book is not enough and no longer credible, since it is actually largely accountable for the dramatic situation experienced during the past years and the consequent scenario we find ourselves in now.		Proposed in order to shorten the text + some overlapping with the next sentence
37	German Greens	64 - 67	delete	Clearly, the usual recipe book is not enough and no longer credible, since it is actually largely accountable for the dramatic situation experienced during the past years and the consequent scenario we find ourselves in now. We need to stop the business as usual approach that led us there and in front of the despair and the threat of barbarity, it becomes...	The business as usual approach will not help to overcome the growing cleavages in society. In order to unite societies again, it becomes...	

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38	Vihreät-De Gröna	68 - 72	delete	Without neglecting its importance and difficulties, if the barriers and constraints (some of them derived from the current European institutional architecture and jurisdictional distribution), which generate the current democratic powerlessness and narrowing of alternatives, are not addressed at the same time, the only thing that will be doing is merely winning a little bit of time in deferring the national retreat.		Proposed in order to shorten the text
39	German Greens	74	delete	Secondly, we have the duty to come up with a real alternative!		
40	FYEG	75	add		ADD patriarchy	precision
41	German Greens	77 - 78	replace	, but we also need to find effective ways of collaboration with the institutional and social resistance in the US itself and worldwide.	, but we also need to find effective strategies to counter the illiberal rollback by collaborating with quality journalism and the media, civil society, democratic political parties, administrative and judicial institutions within the US, the EU and its member states and worldwide.	

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42	German Greens	80 - 93	delete lines 80-93 and replace		It is self-evident that the EU has democratic legitimacy, but like any democratic system it has weaknesses and shortcomings. We want the European Parliament, as the directly elected EU body, to become the central forum of political debate and decision- making. The democratic control of the Eurozone governance is crucial. We also want the EP to gain the right to put forward its own legislative proposals. We fight for greater transparency within the decision- making processes, including the European Council. We want to tackle economic imbalances and we want to fight the severe social crisis in some EU member states by boosting investments. Europe needs to be at the forefront of economic transformation for environmental protection. We Greens are the only political force that constantly fights against tax dumping and tax evasion. We want to strengthen the social rights pillar of the European Union, as part of the EU's Charter of Fundamental Rights, for reinforcing the awareness and identification of European citizens with the European Union.	
43	Austrian Greens	81	add	...based on solidarity, social justice and...	...based on solidarity, social justice, peace and...	
44	FYEG	86	delete	be this perception accurate or not		this is accurate.

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45	EELV	103 - 106	replace	We need to recover the compass and make the difference, confronting Trump's agenda with what Europe always wanted to be recognisable by: unity in diversity, empathising and providing welfare to those who are disfavoured and suffer, in order to not let anyone be left behind.	We need to recover the compass and make the difference, saying loud and clear what Europe has always wanted to be recognised for: democracy, unity in diversity, empathising and providing welfare to those who are in need and suffer, in order to not let anyone be left behind.	Europe has its intrinsic value and doesn't have to exist through Trump's agenda
46	Vihreät- De Gröna	107	add		<p>It is essential to confront the verbal or physical violence of populist actors with their nationalist, racist, chauvinist or islamophobic messages always on the spot. However, this does not outroot them effectively. They are won by offering their supporters solutions that make their lives more secure and meaningful, and not only pseudo solutions scapegoating innocent minorities.</p> <p>Socioeconomic security, equality and decent employment with high quality public services are the best ways to maintain the social cohesion and wellbeing within the society. They reduce the frustration and aggression arising from the injustice, sense of meaninglessness and loss of self-esteem caused by the current policies that accumulate wealth, employment and security for a limited group of people, casting more and more Europeans into the outskirts of our societies. This has let these vulnerable people in the hands of populists that offer shortsighted pseudo-solutions to their real problems.</p>	<p>Amendment proposed because:</p> <p>1) aside of analysis it is essential to add concrete policies that give alternative options for the people that are lured to think that only scapegoating helps them (aside of institutional reforms and ideological challenging already mentioned in the original proposal)</p> <p>2) making the pathways of de-mining the growing division to "us" and "them" more visible</p>

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					<p>Instead of offering true solutions to real problems, they offer false solutions to pseudo-problems. For example, populists often show refugees as the reason for unemployment and cutting social services, although they have only had to flee from our neighbouring countries destabilized by violence. The real reasons for unemployment and social injustice lies in neoliberal policies, globalisation, robotisation and similar issues that have nothing to do with the minorities that the nationalistic, rasistic, chauvinist and islamophobic movements show as scapegoats for their problems.</p> <p>Converting the experienced injustice into scapegoating minorities is one of the oldest tricks that was also used in the Nazi Germany, and we should be ready to act to prevent this from happening again.</p> <p>By relating our actions to the root causes of the insecurity and injustice, and by addressing the victims of this situation with true solutions is the way to deal with the rising populist nationalism, racism, chauvinism and islamophobia.</p>	

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					<p>We must present our solutions to generate more jobs – also in the situation with rapidly proceeding automation and accumulation of the added value outside the taxable salaries, which challenge the sustainability of our high quality educational, health and social services that we must offer to all citizens independent of their socioeconomic position.</p> <p>We must struggle to maintain the financial sustainability of these public services, by preventing tax evasion, by fighting corruption and by not using public money for such secondary purposes that only create false sense of security without improving our wellbeing.</p> <p>We must make visible the reasons why people from outside Europe flee to seek refugee here, and help in stabilising our neighborhoods with economic, educational, cultural and other forms of cooperation.</p> <p>By helping to stabilise our neighbourhood and to become self -sustaining economic areas, we can prevent terrorism, by giving young rootless people meaningful futures, a sense of justice and social</p>	
47	EELV	111	add	<p>And in front of the deportations of migrants and the construction of walls, we must open our borders and say firmly: 'Refugees welcome!'</p>	<p>To counteract the exclusion, the repelling, the detention of migrants and the construction of walls, we must open our borders and say firmly: 'Refugees welcome!'</p>	<p>It is not only the deportation of migrants that is unacceptable. It is the way they are treated.</p>

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48	Austrian Greens	112	replace	...we must open our borders and say firmly: Refugees welcome" ...	we must install a human rights and law-based border protection on the EU borders and say firmly: the Geneva Conventions remain the cornerstone for the protection and respect of refugees!	
49	Ecologist Greens	114	add	... leading to terrorism.	Greens must spread that message and be present in society, giving the “fight” for democracy	We have a “war”. We must be present in the society and at the grassroot level
50	FYEG	122	add		"in the feminist struggle, with our definite support for women and LGBTQI+ rights and inclusion in the decision-making structures at all levels"	This is a combat we also lead, and that is an immense counterpoint also to Trump's world vision.
51	EELV	127	replace	We have shown, all in all, the path to confront Trump and the far-right’s logic with concrete effective policies,	We have shown, all in all, the path to confront nationalist leaders and the far-right’s logic with concrete effective policies,	all nationalist leaders are alike, and Trump is no worse than Poutine, Erdogan or Orban
52	EELV	129	delete	The next stop in this ongoing global battle is certainly France, where we need to prevent Le Pen reaching power.		it is already in the resolution line 31
53	Austrian Greens	133 - 134	add		The Dutch Greens just quadrupled seats in parliament. This historic victory once more shows that we should stand for our principles: lets be straight in being pro-refugee, pro-European.	

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54	Groen Links	133	add	Alexander van der Bellen was the one who managed to stop the far-right threat.	We are also encouraged by the fact that far-right populism has not prevailed in the recent Dutch parliamentary elections. There are indications that the blatant incompetence of Trump and the chaos created by his administration have deterred some voters in The Netherlands from supporting far-right parties.	
55	EELV	135	delete	So, we claim with pride and conviction that the Greens are the best antidote to Trumpism and far-right across Europe and the globe!	So, we claim with pride and conviction that the Greens are the best antidote to far-rights across Europe and the globe!	It is far right movements that are to be fought against and not only one man be he the 45th American President