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1	AM-1-4	Oikologoi Prasinoi / Ecologist Greens			I am wondering if the EPG can put a paragraph for the need of representatives from the countries which are close to arctic pole (scandinavian countries, Iceland) to liaise between themselves and their parliaments to ensure common plans for observation and actions in a collaborative manner to be put in place so that immediate actions can take place aiming to preserve biodiversity that exists in Arctic pole	No concrete amendment
2	AM-2-10	Greens/EFA Group in the European Parliament	The European Green Party considers conservation and protection of the oceans an urgent matter in the face of the climate and nature crisis. In a rapidly changing ocean, a more accessible Arctic region is more vulnerable than ever to environmental and industrial conflicts, calling for an updated, coordinated and special approach to governance.	From line 1 to 5: The European Green Party considers conservation and protection of the oceans an urgent matter in the face of the climate and nature <u>environmental</u> crisis. In a rapidly changing ocean, a more accessible Arctic region is more vulnerable than ever to environmental and industrial conflicts, calling for an updated, coordinated <u>demilitarised and special supportive of local population</u> [Space] approach to <u>its future</u> governance.		Proposal to accept
3	AM-2-11	Vihreät - De Gröna	The European Green Party considers conservation and protection of the oceans an urgent matter in the face of the climate and nature crisis. In a rapidly changing ocean, a more accessible Arctic region is more vulnerable than ever to environmental and industrial conflicts, calling for an updated, coordinated and	From line 1 to 4: The European Green Party considers conservation and protection of the oceans an urgent matter in the face of the climate and nature crisis. In <u>ean Arctic ocean</u> , rapidly changing ocean <u>due to the melting of the polar ice cap</u> , a more accessible Arctic region is more vulnerable than ever to environmental and industrial conflicts, calling for an updated, coordinated and	Could be clarified that the resolution speaks about the Arctic ocean and describe how it is changing. Without the amendment the beginning of this sentence not connected to what comes next.	Proposal to accept

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4	AM-4-1	GroenLinks	changing ocean, a more accessible Arctic region is more vulnerable than ever to environmental and industrial conflicts, calling for an updated, coordinated and special approach to governance.	From line 3 to 5: changing ocean, a more accessible Arctic region is more vulnerable than ever to environmental and , industrial and geopolitical military conflicts, calling for an updated, coordinated and special approach to governance.	Also the threat of military conflicts of the (mostly) Arctic neighboring countries is high.	Proposal to accept
5	AM-5-1	GroenLinks	environmental and industrial conflicts, calling for an updated, coordinated and special approach to governance.	Insert from line 4 to 5: environmental and industrial conflicts, calling for an updated, coordinated and special approach to governance. Apart from the conservation of the Arctic and its nature, this governance will also prevent military conflicts over the Arctic.	See our first explanation about this.	Proposal to accept
6	AM-12-1	Oikologoi Prasinoi / Ecologist Greens	faster than the rest of the planet. The melting of ice and thawing of permafrost in the Arctic further accelerate climate change and have huge knock-on effects. Offshore drilling and other oil and gas activities pose many dangers to the	Insert from line 11 to 13: faster than the rest of the planet. The melting of ice and thawing of permafrost in the Arctic further accelerate climate change and have huge knock-on effects to oceans, sea levels and climate stability . Offshore drilling and other oil and gas activities pose many dangers to the		Proposal to accept
7	AM-13-1	GroenLinks	in the Arctic further accelerate climate change and have huge knock-on effects. Offshore drilling and other oil and gas activities pose many dangers to the Arctic marine environment, such as operational pollution, rubbish and sewage, an	Insert from line 12 to 14: in the Arctic further accelerate climate change and have huge knock-on effects. Offshore drilling and other oil and gas activities and exploration activities for other (mineral) resources , pose many dangers to the Arctic marine environment, such as operational pollution, rubbish and sewage, an	It's not only gas and oil that can be found in the Arctic, and the threat of exploration and extraction of the other resources is as big as for fossil fuels.	Proposal to accept (AM 7, 10, 12, 15 and 21)

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8	AM-17-1	Greens/EFA Group in the European Parliament	the burning of fossil fuels, to mention a few. In addition, new opportunities for fishing and shipping threatens the unregulated areas in the Arctic.	Insert from line 16 to 17: the burning of fossil fuels, to mention a few. In addition, new opportunities for fishing and shipping threatens the unregulated areas in the Arctic <u>and affect local populations, especially indigenous ones, which culture, traditions and languages should be preserved.</u>		Proposal to accept
9	AM-20-1	Vihreät - De Gröna	European Green Party wishes to further this stance through specifying the objectives, framework and targets by urging the development of a legally binding agreement that regulates and prevents oil and gas operations in the Arctic. In	Insert from line 19 to 21: European Green Party wishes to further this stance through specifying the objectives, framework and targets by urging the development of a legally binding <u>regional</u> agreement that regulates and prevents oil and gas operations in the Arctic. In	EU cannot make legally binding instruments for the whole Arctic unilaterally. This way text aligned with demands at the end.	Proposal to accept
10	AM-21-1	GroenLinks	objectives, framework and targets by urging the development of a legally binding agreement that regulates and prevents oil and gas operations in the Arctic. In the face of a complete meltdown, the Arctic region demands protection in	Insert from line 20 to 22: objectives, framework and targets by urging the development of a legally binding agreement that regulates and prevents oil and gas <u>and other (mineral) resources oriented</u> operations in the Arctic. In the face of a complete meltdown, the Arctic region demands protection in		Proposal to accept (AM 7, 10, 12, 15 and 21)
11	AM-21-2	GroenLinks	objectives, framework and targets by urging the development of a legally binding agreement that regulates and prevents oil and gas operations in the Arctic. In the face of a complete meltdown, the Arctic region demands protection in accordance with the changing sea ice persistence. The EU should use its economic	From line 20 to 23: objectives, framework and targets by urging the development of a legally binding agreement that regulates and prevents oil and gas operations in the Arctic. It <u>The Arctic demands protection under all circumstances, but in</u> the face of a complete meltdown, the Arctic region demands it needs further protection in accordance with the changing sea ice persistence. The EU should use its economic	It's not only in the face of a total meltdown that the Arctic needs protection accordance with changing sea ice, but also from now on, with the ongoing meltdown (and even when there wasn't a meltdown at all...)	Proposal to accept

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12	AM-25-1	GroenLinks	and political weight to enforce regulatory tools to ensure a moratorium on oil and gas activities in the Arctic. As with imports of food to ensure food security, and the current proposal on Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism, the EU	Insert from line 24 to 26: and political weight to enforce regulatory tools to ensure a moratorium on oil and gas and other (mineral) resources oriented activities in the Arctic. As with imports of food to ensure food security, and the current proposal on Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism, the EU		Proposal to accept (AM 7, 10, 12, 15 and 21)
13	AM-25-2	Greens/EFA Group in the European Parliament	and political weight to enforce regulatory tools to ensure a moratorium on oil and gas activities in the Arctic. As with imports of food to ensure food security, and the current proposal on Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism, the EU should use its ability to enforce emission reduction requirements on ships navigating through the Arctic to European ports as well as imposing a ban on imports of oil and gas from the region.	From line 24 to 29: and political weight to enforce regulatory tools to ensure a moratorium on oil and gas activities in the Arctic. As with imports of food to ensure food security, and the current proposal on Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism, the EU should use its ability to enforce emission reduction requirements on ships navigating through the Arctic to European ports. The EU should use its ability to enforce emission reduction requirements on ships navigating through the Arctic to European ports. given the fast growing traffic along the Northern Route. as well as imposing a ban on imports of oil and gas from the region.	The sentence is confusing (bringing food into the discussion) and CBAM is not adopted yet and is not about the emission reduction of ships (ETS would be more relevant). So suggest to delete as not necessary.	Proposal to accept
14	AM-26-1	BÜNDNIS 90/Die Grünen	and gas activities in the Arctic. As with imports of food to ensure food security, and the current proposal on Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism, the EU should use its ability to enforce emission reduction requirements on ships	From line 25 to 27: and gas activities in the Arctic. As with imports of food to ensure food security, and the current proposal on Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism EU Emission Trading System , the EU should use its ability to enforce emission reduction requirements on ships		Proposal to fall if AM 13 is accepted
15	AM-29-1	GroenLinks	navigating through the Arctic to European ports as well as imposing a ban on imports of oil and gas from the region.	From line 28 to 29: navigating through the Arctic to European ports as well as imposing a ban on imports of oil and gas and other (mineral) resources from the region.		Proposal to accept (AM 7, 10, 12, 15 and 21)

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16	AM-36-1	GroenLinks	international waters, there is a lack of regional management in the Pan-Arctic region. Climate change's impact on ecosystems could lead to intensified competition between fisheries, causing stress for the environment. The lack of	Insert from line 35 to 37: international waters, there is a lack of regional management in the Pan-Arctic region <u>for both international as well as territorial waters</u> . Climate change's impact on ecosystems could lead to intensified competition between fisheries, causing stress for the environment. The lack of	In this line International waters are mentioned. To make sure that not only these, but also the territorial waters are included, they have to be mentioned explicitly.	Proposal to accept
17	AM-45-1	SF - Green Left	interest in the area to regulate the overall fishing effort in the future. The changing climate and warmer temperatures have made northern sea areas more	Insert from line 45 to 46: <u>There is a need for involvement of the peoples living in the Arctic. Thus it is important to include the indigenous peoples of the areas in the processes of regulation</u>	The indigenous peoples live and co-exist with the marine resources, and to many decisions about them are taking without them. A slogan from the Arctic says: "Nothing about us without us"	Negotiations are ongoing (AM 17-18 and 26)

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18	AM-46-1	Vihreät - De Gröna	The changing climate and warmer temperatures have made northern sea areas more available and therefore vulnerable to exploration, and we have yet to see	<p>Insert from line 46 to 47:</p> <p>The Arctic is home to a multitude of indigenous peoples who have suffered greatly from European colonisation and are now the first to bear the brunt of climate change as well. Therefore, the protection of indigenous communities must be at the centre of protecting the Arctic, especially since the commercial prospects of the warming climate exposes them to the threat of new and intensified colonial pursuits. The European Green Party considers it vital that indigenous peoples of the Arctic are included in any and all processes of creating new regulations and agreements concerning the Arctic region, and their communities must be safeguarded and their rights to practise their traditional cultures and livelihoods protected under any such agreements and legal regimes.</p>	The Arctic is home to many indigenous peoples who are going through several interlapping struggles for their rights, as their communities come under threat by both colonialism and the changing climate. These struggles are at the centre of the topics covered by this resolution as well. The extraction of oil and gas mostly happens on indigenous lands, and both the construction of the needed infrastructure and the environmental damage created is often catastrophic for indigenous communities and their traditional livelihoods. Therefore, when we talk about protecting the Arctic, we can't do it without acknowledging the people who call it their home. Indigenous livelihoods in themselves are entirely sustainable as they are not based in extractivism and are thus entirely in line with the content of the resolution. But since protecting the environment in the Arctic is intrinsically linked with protecting human rights in the Arctic, this aspect needs to be addressed in the resolution as well.	Negotiations are ongoing (AM 17-18 and 26)
19	AM-51-2	Esquerra Verda	instruments in place for the conservation of marine living resources insufficient.	<p>Insert from line 50 to 51:</p> <p>instruments in place for the conservation of marine living resources insufficient.</p> <p>The possible exploitation of the known and potential resources of the Arctic and the trade implications of the icefield melting for international trade can also exacerbate tensions between the Arctic States. The militarisation of the Arctic region is a plausible risk for the international security and the environment that must be prevented.</p>		Proposal to accept
20	AM-52-1	GroenLinks	The European Green Party calls on the EU to impose a moratorium on the exploration and extraction of oil and gas resources in the Arctic through	<p>From line 52 to 53:</p> <p>The European Green Party calls on the EU to imposetake the lead in the implementation of a moratorium on the exploration and extraction of oil and gas resources in the Arctic through</p>	The EU has not the power to 'impose', but should start to come to the needed moratorium.	Proposal to accept

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21	AM-53-1	GroenLinks	The European Green Party calls on the EU to impose a moratorium on the exploration and extraction of oil and gas resources in the Arctic through a regional binding agreement.	From line 52 to 54: The European Green Party calls on the EU to impose a moratorium on the exploration and extraction of oil and gas <u>and other (mineral)</u> resources in the Arctic through a regional binding agreement.		Proposal to accept (AM 7, 10, 12, 15 and 21)
22	AM-54-1	Greens/EFA Group in the European Parliament	a regional binding agreement.	Insert after line 54: <u><i>The European Green Party calls on the EU, as an Arctic stakeholder and a global actor, to play an effective and more ambitious role in the region, taking into account its growing geopolitical significance and the pressing challenges relating to climate change, in order to preserve vulnerable ecosystems and the livelihood of its local populations, including indigenous ones.</i></u>		Proposal to accept
23	AM-55-1	Greens/EFA Group in the European Parliament	The European Green Party calls on the EU to initiate the drafting of an Arctic-specific legal regime to ensure conservation, accountability and sustainability in the management of fish stocks and marine living resources.	From line 55 to 58: The European Green Party calls on the EU to initiate the drafting of for an Arctic-specific legal regime to ensure conservation, <u>the protection and conservation of its marine biodiversity, including the</u> accountability and sustainability in the management of fish stocks and marine living resources <u>the respect of UN fundamental principles notably free prior and informed consent of indigenous populations and UN guiding principles on business and human rights.</u> <u><i>The European Green Party calls on the European Union to push internationally for the adoption of concrete measures to achieve zero emission and zero pollution shipping in the Arctic.</i></u>		Negotiations are ongoing (AM 23-25 and 28)

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24	AM-58-1	GroenLinks	resources.	<p>Insert after line 58:</p> <p>The European Green party calls on the EU to initiate the drafting of and Arctic-specific legal regime to ensure that only sustainable shipping will take place in the Arctic.</p>	<p>Earlier in the resolution the threat of (increase) of non-sustainable shipping is mentioned. Therefore, we also want to address that aspect with a specific call on the EU.</p>	Negotiations are ongoing (AM 23-25 and 28)
25	AM-58-2	BÜNDNIS 90/Die Grünen	resources.	<p>Insert after line 58:</p> <p>The European Green Party calls on the International Maritime Organisation to declare the sensitive ecosystem of the Arctic a NECA/SECA zone and to prohibit ships to use heavy fuel oil, since its black carbon is very destructive for snow and ice-covered land and sea.</p>		Negotiations are ongoing (AM 23-25 and 28)
26	AM-58-4	Esquerra Verda supported by EELV	resources.	<p>Insert after line 58:</p> <p>The European Green Party calls on the EU to work for the inclusion of indigenous Arctic communities in every initiative related to the Arctic, its legal regime, economy and environment.</p>		Negotiations are ongoing (AM 17-18 and 26)
27	AM-58-5	Esquerra Verda	resources.	<p>Insert after line 58:</p> <p>The European Green Party calls on the EU to promote a demilitarisation and denuclearisation of the Arctic via an international treaty that includes means to peacefully settle any dispute between the Arctic States.</p>		Proposal to accept
28	AM-58-6	Europe Ecologie - Les Verts	resources.	<p>Insert after line 58:</p> <p>The actions of the EU should not be addressed only to the countries of the Union concerned by the Arctic (Sweden, Finland, Denmark) but its actions must concern all the Arctic countries, Norway, Russia, Canada, the United States.</p>	<p>Any initiative on the Arctic cannot be taken without the agreement of all the countries concerned, European or not.</p>	Negotiations are ongoing (AM 23-25 and 28)

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29	AM-58-7	Europe Ecologie - Les Verts	resources.	<p>Insert after line 58:</p> <p>The regions or autonomous states of the countries concerned by the Arctic must be involved in all protection work. This includes Alaska, Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut, Quebec (and Nunavik), Newfoundland and Labrador, Greenland.</p>	It would be incomprehensible that an Arctic treaty could be signed without, for instance, the Greenlandic government or that of Nunavut having given their opinion or agreement.	Proposal to discuss