



## RESOLUTION

### **EUROPEAN MEMBER STATES TO STOP MILITARY CO-OPERATION WITH RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

Adopted at the YEPP Council Meeting  
in Nicosia on 5<sup>th</sup> of April 2014

#### **Recognising:**

- That the Russian Federation violated the territorial integrity of Ukraine and international law by invading Crimea in late February 2014
- Russian Federation has held an illegal referendum on whether Ukraine's Crimea region should join Russia
- That the government of the Russian Federation is looking for purchasing modern military equipment from several member states of the European Union and NATO to develop its military capabilities and complete Russia's military reform;

#### **Acknowledging:**

- That on the 8<sup>th</sup> of September, 2010 a debate was held in the European Parliament on the topic- "EU needs better coordination of its arms exports" initiated by the Members of European Parliament Krišjānis Arturs Kariņš (LV) and Tunne Kelam (EST)
- That on the 27<sup>th</sup> of March 2014 the United Nations General Assembly adopted a resolution stating that Russia's annexation of the Crimean peninsula was illegal.
- That EU countries have made arms deals with Russia but some of the sophisticated weapon systems have not been delivered yet and their delivery can still be stopped

- That in the beginning of April NATO decided to halt all practical military and civilian cooperation with Russia over the annexation of Ukraine by Russian Federation;

**YEPP calls on:**

- The EU not to recognise incorporation of Autonomous Republic of Crimea (an autonomous part of Ukraine) into the Russian Federation
- The EU to agree to stop selling and delivering weapons, military technology and military equipment to aggressor countries;
- The EU member states to not provide arms export licences to companies to export arms to Russian Federation e.g. Mistral class amphibious assault ships, advanced tanks and all other military equipment while there are military activities by Russian Armed forces in territories belonging to independent and sovereign countries
- European Union member states to stop any kind of military co-operation with Russian Federation
- At the same time to selectively apply the planned sanctions against the Russian Federation, so as not to affect the basic needs of the civilian population