



**PARLIAMENT
OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC**
Chamber of Deputies
Ondřej Benešík
Chairman
Committee for European Affairs

Prague, 30 September 2016

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 Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Union Resettlement Framework and amending Regulation (EU) No 516/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council /Council No 11313/16, COM(2016)468 final) /

on the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council on standards for the qualification of third-country nationals or stateless persons as beneficiaries of international protection, for a uniform status for refugees or for persons eligible for subsidiary protection and for the content of the protection granted and amending Council Directive 2003/109/EC of 25 November 2003 concerning the status of third-country nationals who are long-term residents /Council No 11316/16, COM(2016)466 final) /

on the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a common procedure for international protection in the Union and repealing Directive 2013/32/EU /Council No 11317/16, COM(2016)467 final) /

on the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down standards for the reception of applicants for international protection (recast) /Council No 11318/16, COM(2016)465 final)/

The respective documents were included in the agenda of the 55th session of the Committee for European Affairs and was scrutinized on 22nd September 2016. According to the Rules of Procedure of the Chamber of Deputies a Deputy Minister of the 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. 307 which is enclosed to this letter.

Enclosure

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Resolution No. 307

55th Session on 22 September 2016

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Conclusions of the Resolution:

Committee for European Affairs

1. **rejects** submitted legislative acts;
2. **considers** that decisions about the level of participation in resettlement programs should be voluntary and in the competence of the Member States and disagrees with the compulsory redistribution mechanisms;
3. **rejects** the inclusion of persons with socio-economic vulnerability in the category of vulnerable persons who are eligible for targeted Union resettlement schemes pursuant to the Article 5 (b) of the Proposal for a Regulation on the establishing Resettlement Framework;
4. **disagrees** with the authorization given to the Commission to adopt targeted Union resettlement schemes in the form of implementing Act;
5. **disagrees** with the chosen legal instrument concerning the Qualification Regulation, since

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it considers that the declared purpose could be achieved through a directive, which allows the Member States to reflect better their legal systems when implementing;

6. **supports** the introduction of the obligation of regular review whether the situation of beneficiaries of protection status has not been changed and the obligation to reside in a Member State which granted protection; and also supports the introduction of the sanction for breach of this obligation that the draft Qualification Regulation inserts into Long-term Residents Directive 2003/109 / EC;

7. **disagrees** that Member States should be required to take into account operational standards on reception conditions and indicators developed by the European Asylum Support Office / the European Union Agency for Asylum;

8. **takes note of** the issue of integration of applicants for international protection and their access to the labour market should be within the competence of the Member States;

9. **believes** that the draft Asylum Procedures Regulation have insufficient added value and its adoption as a regulation is not justified, since the declared goals could be achieved through a directive;

10. **takes note of** that the draft Asylum Procedures Regulation does not contain sufficient anti- abuse measures of the asylum system;

11. **nominates** the Chairperson of the Committee for European Affairs to submit this resolution to the President of the European Commission in the context of the political dialogue.