- 1. Deploring Vladimir Putin's ambition to overtake on the rightful sovereignty of Ukraine over its territory,
- 2. Pointing out the intolerable war in Ukraine being waged by Russia, led by Vladimir Putin, with Belarus, led by Alexander Lukashenko as an ally, killing civillians and creating conditions for genocide,
- 3. Alarmed by the following violations of fundamental human rights by Russia and Belarus, breaching the rules of the **United Nations Universal Declaration:**
- a) the liquidation of more than 100 civic organizations by the Belarussian government b) the instrumentalisation of migrants and their forced displacement to pressure EU borders (<a href="https://www.europarl.europa.eu/thinktank/en/document/EPRS\_BRI">https://www.europarl.europa.eu/thinktank/en/document/EPRS\_BRI</a> (2021)698806) c) the arbitrary arrestation, detention and torture of citizens

https://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/2021/dec/10/the-scars-of-belarusian-protest-a-photo-essay

- 4. Regretting the criminal prosecution of youth committed for democracy, including EYP members
- 5. Concerned by the spread of misinformation in Russia and Belarus endangering the freedom of speech and manipulating public opinion with measures such as a) anti-EU propaganda, based on multilingual TV stations, social media and internet trolls?, pseudo-news pro-government agencies and multimedia services (<a href="https://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/press-room/20161118IPR51718/meps-sound-alarm-on-anti-eu-propaganda-from-russia-and-islamist-terrorist-groups">https://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/press-room/20161118IPR51718/meps-sound-alarm-on-anti-eu-propaganda-from-russia-and-islamist-terrorist-groups</a>) b) declaration of independent journalists who speak out against the policies as foreign agent (Russia Designates Bellingcat, More RFE/RL Journalists As 'Foreign Agents' (rferl.org))
- 6. Drawing attention to the misappropriation of religious arguments to justify policies, war and human rights violations
- 7. Bearing in mind the fact that Georgia and Moldova together with Ukraine, are signaling a newfound urgency to start talks on future membership for the three states (Associate memberships revisited: How to get the EU enlargement policy right EURACTIV.com, From Associated to Candidate Trio? Ukraine, Georgia and Moldova's EU membership journey New Eastern Europe A bimonthly news magazine dedicated to Central and Eastern European affairs)
- 8. Aware of the ineffectiveness of previous treaties regarding cooperation in the East, such as Charter of the United Nations, Helsinki Final Act, the Charter of Paris for a New Europe, and the Budapest Memorandum.
- 9. Noting with deep concern the interference of Russia in (EU) political affairs by funding political parties promoting ideas of xenophobia and totalitarism in member States
- 10. Taking into consideration serious differences in standards of living between EU countries and EU's neighbours, so that they have to choose between the EU and East for their development(needs to be modified)

/*Taking into consideration serious cultural differences and differences in standards of
living between EU countries and EU's neighbours, so that they have to choose
between the West and Russia for their development. In order for the choice to be
unequivocal, the EU has made programs for the development of culture and the
creative sectors in these countries (Eastern Partnership Culture Programme II, url:
https://en.unesco.org/creativity/policy-monitoring-platform/european-union-eastern )*/

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-to ensure common respect to EU's laws and democratic principles

-to solve the problem of cultural misunderstanding creating barriers between EU countries and neighboring countries

-to ensure a good access to checked informations on European continent