

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC SENATE

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Resolution of the Senate

delivered on the 11th meeting held on 4th August 2011

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions

- Communication on migration

(Senate Press no. K 056/08)

The Senate

I.

Is of the opinion

that though the recent influx of migrants following the wave of unrests in the Arab world presented an unexpected strain on the Member States of the EU, it is necessary to approach migration and formulate eventual new measures from a long-term perspective;

II.

1. Insists on

the fact that the primary responsibility for the protection of the external borders rests and in the future should rest on the Member States of the EU;

2. Points at

its long-term position in which inter alia expresses its fear that through gradual strengthening of FRONTEX a European Border Police could be established;

3. Does not agree

with loosening of the current rules of the Schengen system by easing the conditions for temporary reintroduction of controls on the internal borders;

4. Is of the opinion

that the reintroduction of controls on internal borders should be decided by a coordinated manner on the European level and not on the level of individual Member States;

5. Requests

that the character of involvement of the Member States into the internal relocation of migrants remains voluntary, as it presents both administratively and financially costly procedure the efficiency of which has, moreover, not yet been sufficiently proven;

6. Agrees

with the important role of the readmission treaties in the area of illegal migration and in accordance with its previous resolution on Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council Evaluation of EU Readmission Agreements agrees with the measures proposed in the Communication, that aim at higher efficiency of the readmission agreements and greater flexibility of the procedure of negotiation thereof;

7. Points at

the fact that in the area of migration it is necessary to pay equivalent attention to the regions to the south of the borders of the EU and to the regions to the west of it:

III.

1. Requests

the Government to inform the Senate about the way this position was taken into account and about further initiatives following this Communication;

2. Authorises

the President of the Senate to forward this Resolution to the European Commission.

Milan Štěch sign manual President of the Senate

> Petr Šilar sign manual Senate Verifier