PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC Chamber of Deputies 2016

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Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 91/477/EEC on control of the acquisition and possession of weapons /Council No. 14422/15, COM(2015) 750/ /Document of the Chamber No. 668-E/

The Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic

1. **disegrees** with the European Commission's intention to limit the possibility of the acquisition and possession of weapons, which are legally held and used in accordance with the national law of the Member States of the European Union;

2. **rejects** the interference of the European Commission with the functioning system of control, evidence, acquisition and possession of weapons and ammunition as it is adjusted by the Czech law;

3. **expresses its support** for adoption of all functional measures that will lead to combat illegal trade, acquisition, possession and other illegal handling of weapons, ammunitions and explosives;

4. **rejects** the European Commission's persecution of the Member States and their citizens by unjustified tightening of the conditions for legal possession of firearms in response to the tragic events connected with terrorist acts in Paris and Brussels;

5. **recommends the Prime Minister of the Czech Republic** to take all legal and diplomatic steps to prevent the adoption of such a directive, which would interfere the Czech law in the field of business, control, acquisition and possession of weapons and thus inappropriately affect the rights of citizens of the Czech Republic;

6. **authorizes** the Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies to inform parliaments of the Member States as well as the European Parliament about the content of this resolution.