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THE SENATE  
OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

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**RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE**

Delivered on the 10<sup>th</sup> session held on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2017

**on the Reflection Paper on the future of European defence /Senate Print no. J 058/11, COM(2017) 315/**

**The Senate**

**I.**

**1. Got acquainted**

with the Reflection Paper on the future of European defence;

**2. Is of the opinion**

that security and defence is one of the key priorities the EU should devote itself to, especially in view of the rapidly changing geopolitical context and newly arising security challenges;

**3. Emphasizes**

the importance of an effective cooperation between EU and NATO and the need to constantly improve this cooperation and make use of all of its synergies in order to guarantee improved security to European citizens;

**4. Supports**

the establishment of the Permanent Structured Cooperation in defence policy (PESCO) and the participation of the Czech Republic in this cooperation and recalls the Senate's Resolution No. 230 from 20 July 2017 on the information of the Government on the outcome of the European Council held on 22 and 23 June 2017 in which the Senate welcomed this initiative of the European Council (especially the concrete task assigned to the Member States to elaborate, within three months, a common list of criteria and binding commitments including a precise timetable and specific assessment mechanisms);

## **II.**

**Authorises** the President of the Senate to forward this resolution to the European Commission.

Milan Štěch  
sign manual  
President of the Senate

Lumír Kantor  
sign manual  
Senate Verifier