

SENATE OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC 13TH TERM

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RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 12th session held on 10th June 2021

on the Joint Communication to the European Council State of play of EU-Turkey political, economic and trade relations (Senate Print no. K 40/13, JOIN(2021) 8)

The Senate

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1. Recalls

the importance of Turkey as an ally within NATO;

2. Notes

that good mutual relationship of the EU and Turkey is important particularly in the area of migration, security, foreign policy, trade, investment, energy and transport;

3. Regrets

that the activities resulting from the March 2016 EU-Turkey Statement have been suspended in recent years in the context of Turkey's activities in the Aegean Sea, changes in its foreign policy, its effort to abuse the situation in the area of migration and change in the overall political situation in Turkey;

4. Takes note

that Turkey has reduced its discordant activities and intensified its interest in the renewal of cooperation in the framework of the EU-Turkey Statement in recent months:

5. Recommends,

in the context of the current positions of Turkey, cautiousness and puts emphasis on Turkey's transition from proclamations to real actions;

6. Points out

the need to closely monitor the situation in the area of human rights in Turkey;

Authorises

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

Miloš Vystrčil sign manual President of the Senate

> Petr Štěpánek sign manual Senate Verifier