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Resolution of the FEDERAL ASSEMBLY of the European Movement – Warsaw (PL) 25-26 November 2011

The European Movement International,

- Given the Multiannual Financial Framework for 2014-2020 proposed by the European Commission on 29 June 2011 ;
- Given the letter of 17 August 2011 signed by Chancellor Angela Merkel and President Sarkozy on the possible inclusion of macro-economic conditionality in the proposals for Structural Funds;
- Given the letter of 12 September 2011 signed by 8 EU Member States¹ declaring the Commission proposal as being “too high”, and intending to press for significant reductions;
- Given the proposals published by the European Commission on 5 October 2011 regarding Structural Funds for 2014-2020;

1/ Recognises the efforts made by European States and the absolute necessity of putting European public finances in order.

2/ Welcomes the proposal of the Multiannual Financial Framework for 2014-2020 to maintain the European budget at its current level until 2020, with a multi-annual budget of around 140 billion euro per year. This proposal opens perspectives for investments necessary for the well-being and development of citizens and businesses in all regions. It also contains innovative methods and instruments to further improve the quality of public expenditure in order to better allocate funds without spending more.

3/ Refuses any renationalisation of European politics and inward-looking trends. Europe will only be able to emerge from this crisis through a collective European effort aiming to launch a common dynamic for growth, harmonized by a common European economic governance mechanism that would prevent any deterioration of national public finances.

4/ Disagrees with the message sent by the eight Member States as a lower budget would weaken Europe, compromising any long-lasting return of prosperity, and would further decrease its influence on the international scene.

5/ Calls on the Member States to support the June proposal for a European Financial Framework as a reasonable, balanced and bold proposal.

6/ Mandates the President to inform the European Parliament, Council and Commission, as well as the Member State governments and Parliaments of the adoption of this resolution.

¹ Austria, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Sweden and the United Kingdom