

## EPP PRESIDENCY ADOPTS RESOLUTION ON UKRAINE

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The EPP Presidency has adopted the following resolution on Ukraine:

*"The EPP Presidency is expressing its concern over the complications in relationship between the President of Ukraine and the Ukrainian EPP sister-parties (NSNU and NRU), on the one hand, and the majority coalition and the Government of V. Yanukovych, on the other hand.*

*Despite the consolidation efforts of President Victor Yushchenko, his opponents are trying to infringe upon his Constitutional authority and usurp the power in the country. This looks like an attack against the democratic achievements of the Orange Revolution, against the democratic and socio-economic reforms it has brought about in the interests of the Ukrainian people.*

*This was particularly demonstrated in the recent developments directed against Foreign Minister Borys Tarasyuk, the leader of the EPP sister-party – the People's Movement of Ukraine. Being a member of the Cabinet Ministers, he has been unlawfully prevented from attending the Cabinet meeting despite the court ruling and the Decree of the President of Ukraine.*

*The EPP Presidency is expressing its solidarity with the EPP sister-forces in Ukraine, and is urging all political forces in Ukraine to act in accordance with the Constitution and the European political values and standards".*

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