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Pino Arlacchi (S&D ), *in writing* . – Dear Mr President, I voted for this report because I support its aim to stress the European perspective of Kosovo. This perspective can be a powerful incentive for the several reforms that Kosovo needs to undertake in many sectors. I support this Report in spite of some of its drawbacks. For example, it would have been better to emphasize that the EU mission in Kosovo is not performing its mission in a satisfactory way. So far little or no detailed investigation has been carried out into organised crime and its connections with the political institutions.

Consequently, a large number of crimes continue to go unpunished. I am deeply concerned about the role played by Kosovars political-criminal associations in various criminal activities including trafficking in drugs and human beings. For this reason we call on Kosovar authorities to increase the quality and transparency of the legislative process in order to provide Kosovo with a sound legal framework and to improve confidence in the legal system. The persistent weakness of the rule of law delays the maturing of democracy and harms the economy, undermining long-term developments.

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