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The Committee has adopted the draft report by Charlotte CEDERSCHIÖLD (EPP, S) on a draft Council resolution on the prevention of organised crime. The rapporteur argues that measures to combat organised crime must form part of an overall plan that is as comprehensive and coherent as possible and takes into account both preventive and repressive aspects. The draft of the Council resolution - supplementing the action plan on organised crime - seeks to improve anti-crime measures by means of prevention. However, the rapporteur regrets that the draft resolution contains few concrete measures and therefore calls on the Council to bring forward such measures. In addition, the rapporteur believes that civil society in particular must make a greater contribution towards the fight against organised crime. Lastly, the report calls on the Council to involve the applicant countries, neighbouring third countries and other international organisations in the preventive strategy against such crime.