Middle East: role of the European Union in the peace process and its future assistance

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The Parliament adopted its report, drafted by Mr. Luigi COLAJANNI (I, PES), on the peace process and future of assistance to the Middle East. The House expressed its support for the Middle East peace process and called on all sides to avoid taking actions that would exacerbate the situation. One amendment regrets the fact that the Israeli government subsequently added new unilateral conditions to the original Wye agreement that had brought the implementation of the accord to a standstill. MEPs also want to see an independent Palestinian state and the recognition by the Arab world of the State of Israel's existence. It goes on to express concern over the gaps in proper financial control over EU funding to the region, and an amendment that was passed expresses interest in the outcome of the investigation by the Court of Auditors into the issue.