

## Motions

<b>Motion number</b>	To be completed by EFA Secretariat
<b>Name of the person introducing the Motion to the GA</b>	Elisabet Nebreda
<b>Member party</b>	Esquerra Republicana
<b>Title (of the Motion)</b>	ALE supports the resumption of the negotiating table between the Catalan and Spanish governments
<p>ALE supports the resumption of the negotiating table between the Catalan and Spanish governments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Considering the resumption of the negotiating table between the Catalan and Spanish governments after being suspended since February 2020.</li> <li>b) Considering the Spanish government's refusal to even talk about Catalonia's right to self-determination and an amnesty for all those pro-independence supporters who have suffered reprisals from state powers.</li> <li>c) Considering the right to self-determination of Catalonia as a European nation with its own language, culture, and history.</li> <li>d) Considering that Spain has signed both the UN Charter and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, which recognise the right to self-determination of peoples.</li> <li>e) Considering the politicians and activists who remain in exile for fear of persecution and the more than 3,400 pro-independence activists who continue to suffer reprisals from Spanish institutions since the referendum on self-determination in Catalonia on 1 October 2017.</li> <li>f) Considering the recent pardon of the 9 Catalan civic and political leaders, in prison since 2017 and 2018, for organising the independence referendum.</li> <li>g) Considering the Spanish Court of Auditors proceeding on June 30, 2021, for which 34 people, including some of the pardoned leaders, were required to deposit more than 4.5 million euros before 21 July as a penalty for the activities of the Catalan government's foreign affairs department.</li> <li>h) Considering articles 47 and 48 of the Law of the Court of Auditors, which obliges the defendants to defray the penalties with no judicial oversight and before being tried, and that members of the Court are designated by the political parties with a majority in the Spanish chambers.</li> </ul>	

- i) Considering Opinion No.6/2019 of the UN Working Group on Arbitrary Detention concerning the imprisonment of pro-independence politicians and activists.
- j) Considering the report of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe “should politicians be prosecuted for statements made in the exercise of their mandate?” calling for the release of political prisoners, the return of exiles, and a democratic solution through dialogue.

The European Free Alliance:

- Supports the resumption of the negotiating table, with no limits on the political debate and as a mechanism for resolving the political conflict between the Spanish state and Catalonia.
- Calls on the Spanish institutions to promote an amnesty law that guarantees an immediate end to political repression and the return of exiles.
- Calls on the Spanish institutions to recognize Catalonia's right to self-determination and to negotiate a referendum following the mandate of the Catalan people as repeatedly expressed in the elections.
- Expresses its concern and rejection of all forms of repression of pro-independence activists and politicians, as stated in various reports by international institutions and human rights NGOs.
- Calls on the EU institutions to discuss and adopt an “European clarity law” where a democratic and fair framework for the exercise of the right to self-determination of EU’s stateless nations, as well as procedures regarding internal enlargement, would be set.

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