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The recent election in Brazil, after the very questionable process of accelerated impeachment of Mrs Rousseff, and prohibition to take part of the election of the more popular candidate, Mr Lula Da Silva, had as result the election candidate of the extreme-right Jair Bolsonaro.

The declarations of Mr. Bolsonaro on environmental issues, in particular regarding the green light he plans to give for the destruction of the Amazonian forest and its Indigenous population, and on the right to dissent will be put in jail or forced to exile, seems to us to be in total contradiction with the European values, with the UN Charter for Human Rights, and with the Paris Agreement to face climate change.

This without speaking about the revisionism of Mr. Bolsonaro on the period of the military dictatorship and the invitation to the citizen to arm themselves, and the impunity that he plans to provide for those violating Human Rights, for example those who killed Mariela Franco.

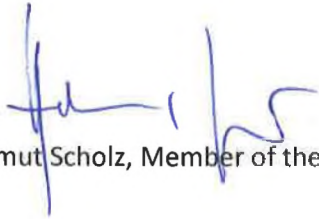
The first nominations announced by Mr. Bolsonaro show that he is effectively planning to put into practice those purposes.

In this context the eventual continuation of the EU-Mercosur negotiation seems to us to be extremely negative as it would send the message to the public that the EU doesn't care about this reorientation of

the policies of the main member of Mercosur, doesn't care about environment and climate change, doesn't care about fundamental elements of Democracy.

Therefore ask you to immediately suspend the EU-Mercosur negotiations until the Commission can be ensured that Brazil will comply with its Democratic and Environmental international obligations.

With our best regards,



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