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Europe in the world

The European ideal was carried by the negation of war and the will to build peace for all people. It became especially relevant in the aftermath of World War II.

The recent attacks on French ground, or before that in Brussel, London, and Madrid, are new threats which call for a necessary cooperation between states to fight terrorism. Moreover tensions just outside the borders of the European Union should lead to a union of the different European diplomatic services in order to weigh more in the current evolutions of our world and to contribute to avoid conflicts.

European diplomacy :

Today it is patent that the European diplomacy is too often scattered between the different state's confronting interests, which often seem to prevail on European interests. This is why the power of the High Representative for Foreign Affairs should be strengthened to make the union be heard in the current international relations. Of course it would not deny the differences between the different nations that are part of the Union.

An ambitious strategy to develop it should be on top of the European Union's priorities, in order to strengthen its relations with foreign partners, and to convey the progressive ideas it represents not only in words but also through strong action.

As the recent events have reminded us, a dialog with the eastern partners is imperative to find a pacific way out of the crisis. This dialog should be carried out by the European Union's diplomatic instances, always in the respect of the other states.

Finally the European Union should push for the democratization and the reform of the UN Security Council in order to really reflect the new world diplomatic order. The UN Security Council is indeed still designed on the scraps of World War II and neglects the emerging countries, even though they are partners of the European Union.

Going towards a strategy of common development and defence in Europe

The European Union was built on an ideal of peace and the critic of expansionism. These are values that our policies in the fields of defence and development should imperatively integrate. The current fight against terrorisms is trying to make closer links between member states' and other countries' security services, and also to make information sharing and common actions easier. This should be organized in the absolute respect of fundamental rights and liberties.

Creating a common European pool of armed forces could be the basis of a European defence policy: Reducing national armies and creating a common force would be the basis of such a pool.

Europe relies on American technologies, especially in satellite localization issues. With always-evolving technologies, we must rethink our borders. It goes far beyond the atmosphere! The European New Deal cannot only concern fundamental research. Europe should pay more attention to aerospace industry to ensure an ambitious spatial policy and also put an end to its constant reliance on the United States

Taking part into an armed conflict, as socialists, should not be driven by national interest and should aim to save individuals and protect common interests. Thus, European military interventions should only be possible under UN mandate, to put an end to a murderous conflict, and be thought in common with a development policy to give autonomy to the affected populations.

A European defence and the emergence of an ambitious development policy are indispensable tools to achieve a further European integration.