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*Taking into account* Resolution (C153/21) of the European Parliament of May 2012 deploring the sentencing of the former Prime Minister, Yulia Tymoshenko, and urging the Ukrainian authorities to provide for a fair, transparent and impartial appeal process for Yulia Tymoshenko and to review and amend, without delay, the criminal code applied against Yulia Tymoshenko, which dates back to the Soviet time and makes provision for criminal prosecution for political decisions, and as such does not comply with international standards:

1. Emphasises the necessity to ensure due respect for human rights, democracy and the rule of law in Ukraine as one of the partners in the European Eastern Neighbourhood Policy;
2. Welcomes Ukraine's substantial progress in implementing the principles of the Association Agreement with the European Union;
3. Urges Ukrainian authorities to ensure, without delay, a legal and actual opportunity for the former Prime Minister, Yulia Tymoshenko, to receive treatment abroad without bringing the charges of selective justice against her.