

62nd SITTING OF THE SEJM, 5 MARCH 2014

THE SEJM ACCEPTED THE INFORMATION of the Prime Minister concerning the current situation in Ukraine.

THE SEJM ADOPTED THE RESOLUTION on solidarity with Ukraine.

The Sejm of the Republic of Poland expressed its solidarity with the Ukrainian nation and sympathy for families and friends of victims of the recent battles in Maidan. Ukraine is a free and sovereign state. Its territorial integrity may not be violated or questioned. Democratic transformations in Ukraine are recognized and supported by the democratic world. The Sejm of the Republic of Poland declares its support for sovereign efforts of the Ukrainian people to continue the democratic transformation. The Sejm of the Republic of Poland is convinced that the new government in Kiev, which is the legitimate authority in Ukraine, will make such efforts – the resolution reads.

The Sejm emphasized that Russia's political and military actions against Ukraine, especially as regards Crimea, are a violation of the rights of a sovereign state. Undertaking these actions, Russia violated the Charter of the United Nations, the principles for international cooperation set forth by the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, the Budapest Memorandum of 1994, the Russian-Ukrainian Friendship Treaty of 1997, the Bilateral Agreement on stationing Russian troops in the base in Sevastopol.

The Sejm of the Republic of Poland appealed to the government of the Republic of Poland to make further efforts to politically and economically support the Ukrainian process of systemic and economic transformation. Of particular importance is preparation and implementation of a stabilizing package for the Ukrainian economy, as well as introduction of visa facilitations for Ukrainian citizens.

The Sejm also appealed to parliaments of member states of NATO and the European Union to adopt initiatives serving to support democratic aspirations of the Ukrainian nation and to express solidarity with Ukraine in its actions aimed at maintaining sovereignty and territorial integrity.



63rd SITTING OF THE SEJM, 12–14 MARCH 2014

THE SEJM PASSED THE ACTS

- amending the act on promoting employment and the institutions of the labour market, and some related acts;
- amending the act on complementary supervision over credit institutions, insurance companies, reinsurance companies and investment companies constituting parts of financial conglomerate and some related acts;
- amending the act on biocomponents and liquid biofuels, and some related acts;
- amending the act on the universal duty to defend the Republic of Poland and some related acts;
- ratifying the Agreement between the Republic of Poland and the States of Guernsey for the avoidance of double taxation with respect to enterprises operating ships or aircraft in international traffic, signed in London on 8 October 2013;
- ratifying the Agreement between the Republic of Poland and the States of Guernsey for the avoidance of double taxation with respect to certain income of individuals, signed in London on 8 October 2013;
- ratifying Protocol between the Government of the Republic of Poland and the Government of the Republic of Korea amending the Convention between the Government of the Republic of Poland and the Government of the Republic of Korea for the avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income, signed in Seoul on 21 June 1991, signed in Seoul on 22 October 2013;
- ratifying the Agreement between the Republic of Poland and the Republic of Moldova on social insurance, signed in Warsaw on 9 September 2013.

THE SEJM ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS

- on the 15th anniversary of Poland's membership in NATO;
- commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Round Table debates.

THE SEJM CONSIDERED THE SENATE'S RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING THE ACTS

- amending the act on veterans and certain persons – victims of war and postwar repressions and some related acts (*The Senate's amendments were accepted*);
- amending the Energy Law and some related acts (*The Senate's amendments were accepted*);
- amending the act on Public Prosecution Service, the Law on the system of common courts and the act on the Supreme Court (*The Senate's amendments were accepted*);
- amending the Law on the system of common courts (*The Senate's amendments were accepted*);
- amending the Public Procurement Law and some related acts (*Some of the Senate's amendments were accepted*);

- amending the Law on the system of common courts and some related acts (*Some of the Senate's amendments were accepted*);
- on principles for conducting public fundraising (*Some of the Senate's amendments were accepted*);
- amending the act on the Christian Theological Academy in Warsaw (*The Senate's amendment was accepted*);
- amending the Road Traffic Law and some related acts (*The Senate's amendments were accepted*).

THE SEJM RETURNED TO COMMITTEES

- Government bill on facilitating access to performance of particular regulated professions;
- Deputies' bill amending the act on maritime safety.

THE SEJM REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

- Senate's bill on activists of anti-communist opposition and persons repressed for political reasons (*The motion to reject the bill, submitted at the 61st sitting of the Sejm, was not accepted*);
- Government bill amending the Environment Protection Law and some related acts;
- Citizens' bill amending the act on refunding medicinal drugs, foodstuffs intended for *particular* nutritional use and medicinal products, as well as amending the Doctor and Dentist Profession Act.

THE SEJM CONSIDERED IN THE FIRST READING Deputies' and Government bills amending the act on the Police and some related acts (*The motions to reject the bills shall be subject to a vote at the next sitting of the Sejm*).

THE SEJM ACCEPTED

- information of the Council of Ministers on realization of the National Development Strategy 2007–2015 in 2011 (*The motion to reject the information, submitted at the 61st sitting of the Sejm, was not accepted*);
- information of the Council of Ministers on realization of the National Development Strategy 2007–2015 in 2012 (*The motion to reject the information, submitted at the 61st sitting of the Sejm, was not accepted*);
- document "State of road traffic safety and tasks realized in this scope in 2012" submitted by the Prime Minister (*The motion to reject the document, submitted at the 61st sitting of the Sejm, was not accepted*);
- information of the Minister relevant for education and upbringing on the state of preparations of schools' governing authorities to subject six-year-old children to schooling duty.

THE SEJM CONSIDERED THE CURRENT INFORMATION concerning supporting the charity work performed by non-governmental organizations by the state.

THE SEJM DID NOT ACCEPT the Deputies' motion to hold a nationwide referendum on abolishing the schooling duty of six-year-old children.