

GREAT AND GENERAL COUNCIL

SITTING OF 15 February 2019

SUBJECT: Decision on foreign policy in general and in particular on the relations with Italy and the state of negotiations for the Association Agreement with the European Union. Request for a debate on this issue

THE GREAT AND GENERAL COUNCIL in its sitting of 15 February 2019

with 32 votes in favour, 6 votes against, 1 abstention and 1 non-voting approves

the following Decision:

"The Republic of San Marino

bases the true essence of its economic and diplomatic future on its relations with Italy and Europe.

Ten years after the outbreak of the economic crisis, it has become necessary to build a new economic model, which also requires an increased integration of the Republic of San Marino at international level.

Having acknowledged

the steps already taken in terms of agreements and negotiations to achieve these objectives,

being aware

that the structural reforms that the Republic of San Marino will have to undertake are also fundamental for this process,

commits

the Government

to:

- promote a broad debate on the relations with Italy and the Association Agreement in the country, in such a way as to involve not only political forces but also all social and economic partners;
- disclose and prompt a debate on the directions that the Government is pursuing in foreign policy;



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- clarify its position on the links, repeatedly referred to but always in an unsubstantiated manner and only through overblown statements, with Russia and other non-EU countries.

Finally,

the Government is invited

to:

- concentrate all useful efforts so that cooperation with the Italian Republic can be effective in terms of economic recovery, infrastructural investments of common interest and the identification of mutual benefits, in particular in the banking and financial sector, also through an agreement with the Bank of Italy, in order to accelerate the sector's consolidation, restore its reputation and encourage Italian investments in our country and those of our banks outside the Republic of San Marino;
- make the negotiations of the Agreement with the European Union a shared value in order to make choices that are also supported outside the Majority, and consequently make the fate of such an important Agreement independent of the Government in office".