***Foreign and Security policy, Cybersecurity***

proposed on 30 May 2025 by **Carlo Maria Palermo, Chair of Political Commission 3 (PC3) - On Foreign and Security Policy, Defense and Cybersecurity**

**The Federal Committee of the Union of European Federalists, convening in Brussels, Belgium, on 21-22 June 2025**:

**Having regard of**

1. The [*Schuman Declaration* (9 May 1950)](https://federalists.eu/federalist-library/the-schuman-declaration/),
2. [*Memorandum on a European Defense Union*](https://federalists.eu/federalist-library/memorandum-on-a-european-defence-union/) issued by Action Committee for United States of Europe,
3. [*Second Schuman declaration*](https://federalists.eu/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/A-SECOND-SCHUMAN-PLAN-FOR-A-COMMON-DEFENCE-AND-POLITICAL-UNION.pdf) issued by Action committee for United States of Europe,
4. Report “[*Strengthening Europe’s civil and military preparedness and readiness*](https://federalists.eu/federalist-library/safer-together-a-path-towards-a-fully-prepared-union/)” authored by former Finnish president Niinisto and the report on the “[*Future of European competitiveness*](https://federalists.eu/the-future-of-european-competitiveness/)” made by former president of ECB and former Italian prime minister, Mario Draghi,

**Considering that**

1. The consolidation of power politics within a competitive multipolar world, with increasing hegemonic rhetoric from major powers such as the United States, Russia, and China is endangering common international coexistence principles enforced after the WWII,
2. The US, also in light of the speech given by the US vice president in Munich, expressed (with unprecedented language) its willingness to lessen its commitment within the European security,
3. The retirement from WHO and the closure of USAID, highlighted the growing trend in US foreign policy to undermine multilateral cooperation in contemporary international relations.
4. the European Commission so-called ReArmEU plan, aiming to ensure EU rearmament towards US disengagement from European defense.
5. Most recent polls clearly indicate that European citizens are in favor of the creation of a European army,

**Alarmed by**

1. Rising tensions in Ukraine and escalation made by Russian armed forces against Ukrainian forces close to the front-line and to all Ukraine,
2. The growing disproportionate military campaign launched against Gaza strip by Israeli Military Forces (IDF) after the cease-fire expiration mediated by United States, Egypt and Qatar (and supported by Resolution 2735 of the United Nations Security Council), and causing severe causalities among civilian population in Gaza, questioning the respect of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights customary Law.
3. The political situation within the Mediterranean sea, the political crisis in Tunisia, the difficult situation of Libya and complicated transition political transition in Syria,
4. Rising tensions in several international regions including the Indo-Pakistani border, the ongoing military and humanitarian crisis in Sudan.
5. The drastic increase of cyberattacks suffered by public institutions and private actors throughout the European Union,

**Concerned by**

1. that peace talks related to Russian-Ukrainian talks have seen negotiation between Russia and United States with a degraded role of the Ukraine and the exclusion of any European power nor the European Union,
2. the new commercial policy implemented by the US administration has created uncertainty among economic actors and risks potentially disrupting international trade, causing a global recession,
3. The ongoing divisions and differences among the EU Member States on common foreign and security policy, despite the level of urgency represented by the contemporary challenges,
4. The menaces posed by hybrid warfare may disrupt essential communications in both the public and private sectors across key policy areas.
5. The rising phenomenon of fake news dissemination via social networks and other media,

**Aware of**

1. Europe lived a crucial momentum in its history, and it's called to its historical responsibility to build up a credible foreign and security policy to ensure its own security,
2. The European integration process stands as a powerful peace project built on a steadfast reliance to international law, democratic values, and the inherent dignity of every individual.

**The Union of the European Federalists**

1. strongly rejects all forms of imperialism and power politics as an effective strategy for addressing and resolving challenges in international relations and advocates for respect of international law and human rights,
2. Affirms that Russo-Ukrainian peace talks should always take into consideration the legitimate position of Ukraine, respecting its dignity and its legitimate right to pursue a 'just peace',
3. affirms its commitment to support the multilateralism and invites EU and member states to enhance its own commitment to defend sustainable trade in all fora as essential interest for the European economy and, at the same time, reiterates necessity to defend European interests in case of disputes,
4. Is convinced that the establishment of a genuine European foreign and security policy, with a reliable defense capable of protecting the interests of the European Union, cannot be postponed any longer.
5. Affirms that the development of a genuine European grand strategy, capable of defining all key items of European security and aware the need of fully fledged strategic autonomy should pursue in order to establish the foundation of European Foreign Policy,
6. Affirms that European strategic culture should be enhanced developing a common European military training and reliable sharing of useful intelligence information among the member states in a European perspective,
7. encourage collective effort in order to build up an affordable European military industry, overcoming Member States' competition in such a crucial sector,
8. Emphasizes the necessity to establish a European pillar of NATO as a means to ensure joint command capabilities in Europe, even in the United States withdraws from its security commitments in the continent,
9. Affirms the necessity to establish a new permanent structured cooperation (PESCO) with a clear political mandate and broad operational responsibilities in the defense and security domains. Such a cooperation, initially led by a group of willing states (opened to all countries willing to join later), aims to brake unanimity paving the way for further integration.
10. Affirms that, in order to support an adequate investment level in the field of defense, a true fiscal capability must be established. The introduction of ad hoc Eurobonds could be a positive step in this direction.
11. Requests to the European Commission to establish a virtual platform, were cyber specialist, accredited by their own EU Member State, to find solutions for cyber-defense by all EU member states. Deliverables, created by European initiative will make the integration process visible to all European citizens.
12. Requests to the European Commission to establish a virtual platform for cyber specialists, accredited by their EU member states, to collaborate on cyber defense solutions. The result of such a project will contribute to making tangible and visible the outcome of European integration.
13. The European Union must decisively move towards integration rooted in federal principles. A credible European Defense, serving as a true reflection of our foreign policy (fully legitimated by citizens’ representatives), aligned with the fundamental values and interests of the EU, can only be achieved through a federal reform. Embracing this path is not just a possibility, it is an imperative for the future of Europe.

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