

10 July 2017

Transparency International Amendment Suggestions

Amendment 1

on behalf of XXX

Virginie Rozière

on legitimate measures to protect whistle-blowers acting in the public interest when disclosing the confidential information of companies and public bodies (2016/2224(INI))

Paragraph 2	
<i>Present Text</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
<p>Takes 'whistleblower' to mean anybody who reports on or reveals information on an unlawful or wrongful act or an act which undermines the public interest, in the context of his or her working relationship, be it in the public or private sector, of a contractual relationship, or of his or her trade union or association activities;</p>	<p>Takes 'whistleblower' to mean anybody who reports on or reveals information on an unlawful or wrongful act or an act which undermines the public interest, in the context of his or her working relationship, be it in the public or private sector, of a contractual relationship, or of his or her trade union or association activities; <i>this includes individuals who are outside the traditional employee-employer relationship, such as consultants, contractors, trainees/interns, volunteers, student workers, temporary workers and former employees;</i></p>

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Paragraph 3	
<i>Present Text</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
Considers that a breach of the public interest includes, but is not limited to, acts of corruption, conflicts of interest, unlawful use of public funds, threats to the environment, health, public safety, national security and privacy and personal data protection, tax avoidance, attacks on workers' rights and other social rights and attacks on human rights;	Considers that a breach of the public interest includes, but is not limited to, acts of corruption, <i>criminal offences, breaches of legal obligation, miscarriages of justice, abuse of authority</i> , conflicts of interest, unlawful use of public funds, threats to the environment, health, public safety, national security and privacy and personal data protection, tax avoidance, attacks on workers' rights and other social rights and attacks on human rights, <i>and acts to cover up any of these breaches;</i>

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Paragraph 13	
<i>Present Text</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
Expresses its concerns about the risks run by whistleblowers at their place of work, in particular the risks of direct or indirect retaliation by the employer and by those working for or acting on behalf of the employer; stresses that retaliation usually takes the form of suspending, slowing down or stopping career progression or even dismissal, along with psychological harassment; stresses that retaliation is a barrier to whistleblowers' activities; believes that it is necessary to introduce protective measures against destabilising practices; takes the view that retaliation should be penalised and sanctioned effectively; stresses that, once somebody is recognised as a whistleblower, the measures	Expresses its concerns about the risks run by whistleblowers at their place of work, in particular the risks of direct or indirect retaliation by the employer and by those working for or acting on behalf of the employer; stresses that retaliation usually takes the form of suspending, slowing down or stopping career progression or even dismissal, along with psychological harassment; stresses that retaliation is a barrier to whistleblowers' activities; believes that it is necessary to introduce protective measures against destabilising practices; takes the view that retaliation should be penalised and sanctioned effectively; stresses that, once somebody is recognised as a whistleblower, the measures taken against him or her should be brought to

taken against him or her should be brought to an end;	an end, and the whistleblower should receive full compensation for the damage incurred, such as lost earnings and status and pain and suffering;
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Paragraph 14	
<i>Present Text</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
Points out the risk that whistleblowers run of having legal and civil proceedings brought against them; stresses that they are often the weaker party in trials; considers it necessary to provide for a reversal of the burden of proof in respect of retaliation against and pressure on whistleblowers; takes the view that confidentiality should be guaranteed throughout the proceedings;	Points out the risk that whistleblowers run of having legal and civil proceedings brought against them; stresses that they are often the weaker party in trials; considers it necessary to provide for a reversal of the burden of proof in respect of retaliation against and pressure on whistleblowers; takes the view that confidentiality should be guaranteed throughout the proceedings, and that the identity of the whistleblower may not be disclosed without the individual's explicit consent;

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Paragraph 18	
<i>Present Text</i>	<i>Amendment</i>
Stresses the role that trade unions play in supporting and helping whistleblowers in their dealings within their organisation;	Stresses the role that trade unions and civil society organisations play in supporting and

	helping whistleblowers in their dealings within their organisation;
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