

Tuesday, 5 July 2011 10:00 - Strasbourg

*Explanations of vote:*

Relazione: Charles Goerens

*Pino Arlacchi (S&D), in writing.* – I voted in favour of this report as it calls on the Commission to turn budget support to developing countries into its principal form of aid.

The strong focus on improving poverty reduction and hunger worldwide is also at the basis of my support. The text insists on the leading role that national parliaments of recipient countries, civil society organisations and local authorities should play as they are best placed to identify priority sectors, prepare national strategies and monitor budget allocations. Budget support must not be used to reinforce the EU's particular economic and strategic interests, but to reach development objectives of and for developing countries.

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