

**MEMORANDUM
ON THE SITUATION OF THE JUDICIARY IN POLAND**

As recorded in its Resolution on Article 2 of the Treaty on European Union passed by the European Association of Judges (the EAJ) at its meeting on 25 May 2018, the situation of the judiciary in Poland was discussed and examined at that meeting.

In addition to the terms of the Resolution, the EAJ records that it considers that the amendments to the legislation in question recently proposed by the Government of the Republic of Poland in response to intervention by the European Union Commission are ineffective in restoring and safeguarding judicial independence.

The EAJ further notes that the ‘White Paper’ published by the Polish Government fails to address or provide justification for the legislation.

The EAJ therefore urges the Polish authorities to amend the last judicial reforms, so to make them compliant with European standards, as already pointed out in the “EAJ Open Letter on Poland”, of 11th January 2018.

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