

On the situation in Nagorno-Karabakh after Azerbaijan's attack and the continuing threats against Armenia

1 The Council of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) Party
2 convening in Bucharest, Romania on 20-21 October 2023:

3 **Notes That:**

- 4 • Azerbaijan's blockade of the Lachin Corridor caused an ongoing humanitarian
5 crisis for ethnic Armenians in Nagorno-Karabakh.
- 6 • The recent, unprovoked attacks by Azerbaijan resulted in civilian deaths and the
7 ethnic cleansing of approximately 120,000 Armenians.
- 8 • Following ceasefire violations by Azerbaijan and unsuccessful mediation efforts,
9 tensions threaten an invasion in Armenia by Azerbaijan.

10 **Believes That:**

- 11 • Armenia shares strong cultural and religious bonds with Europe and seeks closer
12 collaboration with Europe and the Western community.
- 13 • Azerbaijan is influencing Western and European nations by means of its oil and
14 gas diplomacy.
- 15 • The international community failed to prevent ethnic cleansing of Armenians.

16 **Calls For:**

- 17 • Increased EU economic aid to Armenia to support refugees from Nagorno-Karabakh.
- 18 • The safe return of Armenians to Nagorno-Karabakh and the release of prisoners,
19 captives including elected representatives of Nagorno-Karabakh.
- 20 • Deploying a UN peacekeeping mission in Nagorno-Karabakh, guaranteeing the rights
21 and security of the Armenian population.
- 22 • Targeted sanctions on Azerbaijani officials responsible for multiple ceasefire
23 and human rights violations in Nagorno-Karabakh as well as an investigation for
24 war crimes.
- 25 • Prohibiting hatred and ethnic cleansing of Armenians by Azerbaijan.
- 26 • Prohibiting the destruction of Armenian cultural heritage in Nagorno-Karabakh.
- 27 • Condemning the inflammatory statements made by the Azerbaijani President and
28 other Azerbaijani officials, threatening the territorial integrity and
29 sovereignty of Armenia, including those in connection with the 'Zangezur-
30 corridor'.
- 31 • A comprehensive peace agreement between Armenia and Azerbaijan, including mutual
32 recognition of territorial integrity.
- 33 • An intensified political and diplomatic cooperation of the EU with Armenia in
34 the framework of the Eastern Partnership and by opening a path for Armenia's EU-
35 membership, ensuring its safety and peace in the region.
- 36 • Diversification of oil and gas supply to decrease Western dependency on
37 Azerbaijan.