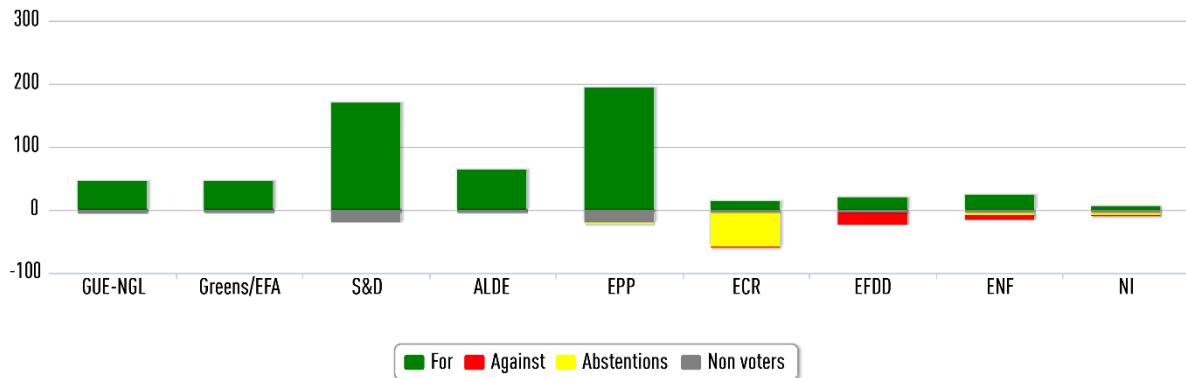


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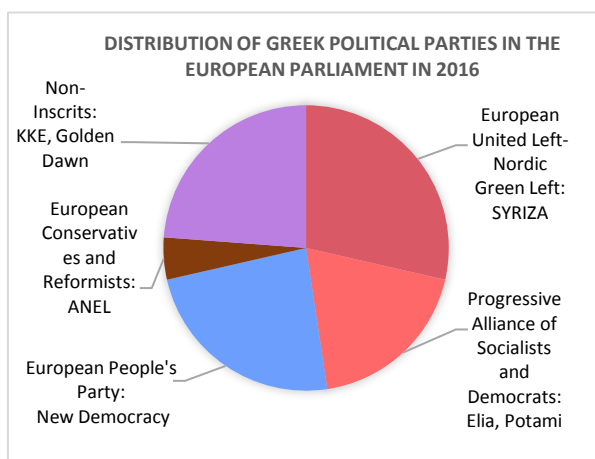
The vote of the MEPs



Within the broader EU agenda on the measures to fight tax avoidance and tax evasion, the EP approved a proposal on facilitating the access to money laundering information for tax authorities. In fact, the fight against money laundering and the one against tax evasion are often intertwined.

This initiative, also because of its specific and technical scope, was well received by the MEPs who widely approved the proposal. Even though there were some disagreements coming from some national delegations such as the British and the Polish ones, a large majority of MEPs supported the text (86%). In fact, apart from EFDD and ECR, the majority of MEPs from all other political groups voted in favor.

Greek MEPs were on the same line with the majority of the EU Parliament in regard to access to ant-money laundering by tax authorities, as they all voted in favour with some exceptions.




















In fact, the members of the Communist Party of Greece, Konstantinos Papadokis and Satirias Zarioanopoulos as well as Kostantinka Kuneva (Syriza) decided to abstain (the latter did not vote in the plenary, but she notified her intention to abstain eventually). Additionally, Eva Kaili (PASOK) did not vote.

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The vote of MEPs elected in Greece*

For

Notis MARIAS	Manolis KEFALOGIANNIS	Georgios KYRTSOS	Maria SPYRAKI	Elissavet VOZEMBERG-VRIONIDI	Theodoros ZAGORAKIS
					
Independent	New Democracy	New Democracy	New Democracy	New Democracy	New Democracy
ECR	EPP	EPP	EPP	EPP	EPP
Nikolaos CHOUNTIS	Kostas CHRYSOGONOS	Stelios KOULOGLOU	Dimitrios PAPADIMOULIS	Sofia SAKORAFI	Georgios EPITIDEIOS
					
Popular Unity	Coalition of the Radical Left	Coalition of the Radical Left	Coalition of the Radical Left	Independent	Popular Association – Golden Dawn
GUE/NGL	GUE/NGL	GUE/NGL	GUE/NGL	GUE/NGL	NI
Lampros FOUNTOULIS	Eleftherios SYNADINOS	Nikos ANDROULAKIS	Giorgos GRAMMATIKAKIS	Miltiadis KYRKOS	
					
Popular Association – Golden Dawn	Popular Association – Golden Dawn	Panhellenic Socialist Movement - Olive Tree	The River	The River	
NI	NI	S&D	S&D	S&D	

Abstain

Konstantinos PAPADAKIS	Sotirios ZARIANOPOULOS
	
Communist Party of Greece	Communist Party of Greece
NI	NI

Didn't vote

Kostadinka KUNEVA	Eva KAILI
	
Coalition of the Radical Left	Panhellenic Socialist Movement - Olive Tree
GUE/NGL	S&D