

1 **EFGP 3rd Congress, Berlin – Draft Resolution**

2 Tabled by Georgia Greens Party

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4 **ON POLITICAL OPPRESSION OF GEORGIAN GREENS PARTY**
5 **AND BLOCKAGE OF THE PARTY BY MASS MEDIA**
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8 **Introduction**
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- 10 • At the present stage of political development of Europe the main objective is to support newly
11 established and developing democracy in the post Soviet states and to strengthen the political
12 organizations who are devoted to this idea and whose presence guarantees democratization.
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- 14 • Unfortunately in many countries these processes do not follow desired route. Georgian Green
15 party is in a hard position. This had been confirmed by Mr.Giorgi Gachechiladze, the head of the
16 greens party of Georgia, who, in his presentation at East-West Dialogue meeting in Odessa in
17 March 2002 described the acts of political oppression of his party – burning the office of Georgia
18 Greens party (1997), destruction (1999), burglary (2000), oppression of the party during elections
19 of 1998-1999; setting alternative to the greens party organization with support of the
20 governmental structures (1999) and attempt to split the party in 1998-2000, blockage of the party
21 in state-controlled mass media (in 2000 and 2001 no coverage was given to 33 press
22 conferences, actions and other events).
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24 **Resolution**
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26 Congress of European Federation of Green Parties:
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- 28 • expresses its indignation in relation to political oppression and blockage of Georgian Greens
29 party in mass media;
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- 31 • insists on stopping the state run political oppression and blockage of Georgian Greens party;
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- 33 • appeals to the Greens/EGA Group in the European Parliament with request to carry out
34 monitoring of freedom of speech in Georgia and take adequate steps towards settling political
35 problems which Georgia Greens are facing.
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