## Executive Summary of the Opinion of the Chamber of Deputies on the Joint Communication of the European Parliament and the Council – Elements for an EU Strategy for Syria JOIN(2017) 11

The Chamber of Deputies welcomes the European Union's constant attempts to use its status as the most credible pacifying power of the world to end the conflict in Syria.

On the other hand, the Chamber of Deputies appreciates as inadequate the limits of action and rigidity that the European Union imposes in its strategy for Syria and considers that the European Union should still claim a seat at the negotiating table for ceasefire negotiations and for the restoration of peace.

Considers that the European Union should intensify and finance the investigations concerning war crimes in Syria, as a means of discouraging tactics to gain ground through military actions, thereby facilitating the resumption of the peace process on consolidated bases.

Believes that the Union should also plan and manage the massive return of Syrian refugees after the cease of hostilities, thus to ensure the necessary human force for the reconstruction of the country.

It expresses its full support for Syria's neighboring countries, who continue to show tremendous solidarity in regard to the hosting of millions of refugees despite limited resources.