MEP — EPP Group (centre-right)

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Your team: European Parliament (MEPs)

The European Parliament was not at the JCPOA table. But it watched, it debated, it passed resolutions and it embodied the democratic pressure any European deal must ultimately survive. In this simulation that pressure is made mechanical: **the Parliament endorses or rejects the final deal by simple majority of its MEPs**, so the negotiators must win your bench, and your concerns have a price the room can pay.

You are not a delegation and you owe each other nothing: each MEP represents a political group, not a country, and behaves by ideology. You may caucus, ally, split, and campaign. You do not negotiate directly with Iran on the EU's behalf, but you speak in plenary, you question negotiators, you push amendments through friendly member states, and you make it loudly clear what the Parliament's yes will cost. The bench: **EPP** (centre-right), **S&D** (centre-left), **Renew** (liberal), **Greens/EFA, ECR** (conservative-sceptic).

Your role

Motivations & constraints: You lead the mainstream. The EPP can support this deal — a verified agreement beats an unconstrained Iran — but your support is conditional on security seriousness: real verification, workable snapback, no fraying of the transatlantic bond. You also mind the business constituency that would welcome a reopened market, and the Christian-democratic conscience that cares about rights without wanting them to sink the deal. Your practical role: define what a majority can live with, and assemble it.

Red lines: Iran must verifiably be unable to build a weapon — if the deal fails that test, you pull support and take the bench's centre with you. Enforceability is non-negotiable. And the deal must not be overloaded: colleagues who pile on unattainable demands will be told, publicly if needed, that they are voting for no deal at all.

Style: Statesmanlike, majority-building. "Not a perfect deal, but a good deal" is your genre. Ask the diligence questions ("how does snapback work, legally?"), broker between Greens and ECR, and pledge the Parliament's continued vigilance as the price of its yes.