

# Convention (1979) on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution: amendment to the 1998 Aarhus Protocol on heavy metals

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The European Parliament adopted by 617 votes to 25, with 30 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the acceptance of the Amendments to the 1998 Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution on Heavy Metals.

Following the recommendation from its Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety, Parliament **gave its consent** to acceptance of the Amendments to the Protocol.

To recall, the 1979 Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution is intended to protect the human environment against air pollution. The 1998 Aarhus Protocol on Heavy Metals aims to reduce and control anthropogenic emission into the air of lead (Pb), cadmium (Cd) and mercury (Hg).