



# Procedure file

Basic information	
COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) <a href="#">2005/0167(COD)</a> Directive	Procedure completed
Common standards and procedures for returning illegally staying third-country nationals. "Return Directive"  See also <a href="#">2014/2701(RSP)</a> See also <a href="#">2016/0407(COD)</a>	
Subject 7.10.04 External borders crossing and controls, visas 7.10.08 Migration policy	

Key events			
29/09/2005	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
12/09/2007	Vote in committee, 1st reading		Summary
20/09/2007	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	<a href="#">A6-0339/2007</a>	
08/11/2007	Debate in Council	<a href="#">2827</a>	
06/12/2007	Debate in Council	<a href="#">2838</a>	Summary
28/02/2008	Debate in Council	<a href="#">2853</a>	Summary
18/04/2008	Debate in Council	<a href="#">2863</a>	Summary
17/06/2008	Debate in Parliament		
18/06/2008	Results of vote in Parliament		
18/06/2008	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	<a href="#">T6-0293/2008</a>	Summary
08/12/2008	Act adopted by Council after Parliament's 1st reading		
16/12/2008	Final act signed		
16/12/2008	End of procedure in Parliament		
24/12/2008	Final act published in Official Journal		