

# Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	1998/0073(CNS)	Procedure completed
EC/Slovak Republic Europe agreement: five-year extension for State aid		
Subject 6.40.02 Relations with central and eastern Europe		
Geographical area Slovakia		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>AFET</b> Foreign Affairs, Security and Defense Policy		
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	<b>AGRI</b> Agriculture and Rural Development		
Council of the European Union	<b>ECON</b> Economic and Monetary Affairs, Industrial Policy		
	<b>RELA</b> External Economic Relations		
	The committee decided not to give an opinion.		
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	<a href="#">General Affairs</a>	<a href="#">2346</a>	14/05/2001

Key events			
27/02/1998	Initial legislative proposal published	COM(1998)0105	Summary
09/11/1998	Legislative proposal published	<a href="#">11544/1998</a>	Summary
02/12/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
05/01/1999	Vote in committee		
09/02/1999	Decision by Parliament	T4-0060/1999	Summary
14/05/2001	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
14/05/2001	End of procedure in Parliament		
11/08/2001	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information
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Procedure reference	1998/0073(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p2-a1; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 133; Rules of Procedure EP 52-p1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	AFET/4/10553

#### Documentation gateway

Initial legislative proposal		COM(1998)0105	27/02/1998	EC	Summary
Legislative proposal		<a href="#">11544/1998</a>	09/11/1998	CSL	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0060/1999 <a href="#">OJ C 150 28.05.1999, p. 0014-0025</a>	09/02/1999	EP	Summary

#### Final act

[Decision 2001/624](#)  
[OJ L 217 11.08.2001, p. 0011](#)

## EC/Slovak Republic Europe agreement: five-year extension for State aid

**PURPOSE :** Extension by 5 years of certain aspects of the European Agreement between the EU and the Slovak Republic  
**CONTENT :** Article 64, para 4, point a) of the European Agreement between the EU and the Slovak Republic provides that, for the purposes of evaluating public aids granted by Slovakia, this country is - for a period of the first 5 years following the entry into force of the Agreement - considered as an area identical to those areas within the Community covered by Article 92 para 3, point a) of the Treaty (those regions in which the standard of living is abnormally low and where there is serious under-employment). The European Agreement also provides that this period may be extended by five years within five years by decision of the Association Council. The first period having come to its expiry, Slovakia has asked for an extension of five years. The Commission considers this country continues to fall within the criteria used for the eligibility of a region for aids covered by Art. 92. 3a) EC (in particular, GDP per capita of less than 75% of the Community's average GDP per capita). It proposes therefore that the Association Council should grant the requested extension. The decision provides, however, in the 2 years that follow the extension (and then each year), that Slovakia communicates to the European Commission the necessary regional data to evaluate whether the country still fulfils the required conditions.?

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**OBJECTIVE:** to extend by 5 years certain aspects of the European Agreement between the EU and the Slovak Republic. **CONTENTS:** Article 64, para 4, point a) of the European Agreement between the EU and the Slovak Republic provides that, for the purposes of evaluating public aids granted by Slovakia, this country is - for a period of the first 5 years following the entry into force of the Agreement - considered as an area identical to those areas within the Community covered by Article 92 para 3, point a) of the Treaty (those regions in which the standard of living is abnormally low and where there is serious under-employment). The European Agreement also provides that this period may be extended by 5 years within 5 years by decision of the Association Council. The first period having come to its expiry, Slovakia has asked for an extension of 5 years. The Commission considers this country continues to fall within the criteria used for the eligibility of a region for aids covered by Article 92.3 a) EC (in particular, GDP per capita of less than 75% of the Community's average GDP per capita). It proposes therefore that the Association Council should grant the requested extension. The decision provides, however, in the 2 years that follow the extension (and then each year), that Slovakia communicates to the European Commission the necessary regional data to evaluate whether the country still fulfils the required conditions.?

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Under consultation procedure without report, the European Parliament approved the proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken by the Community within the Association Council established by the European Agreement signed on the 19th December 1994 between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Slovak Republic, of the other part, with regard to the extension for a further period of five years in accordance with the provisions of Article 64(4)(a) of the Europe Agreement.?

