

Procedure file

Basic information	
<p>COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Regulation</p> <p>2003/0208(COD)</p>	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
<p>Stabilisation and Association process in the Western Balkans: exceptional trade preferences</p>	
<p>Subject</p> <p>6.10.05 Peace preservation, humanitarian and rescue tasks, crisis management</p> <p>6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations</p> <p>6.20.04 Union Customs Code, tariffs, preferential arrangements, rules of origin</p> <p>6.40.03 Relations with South-East Europe and the Balkans</p>	
<p>Geographical area</p> <p>Serbia and Montenegro, until 02/2003</p> <p>Albania</p> <p>Bosnia and Herzegovina</p>	

Key players			
European Parliament			
Council of the European Union			
Council configuration	Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN	Meeting	Date
		2798	08/05/2007
European Commission			
Commission DG	Legal Service	Commissioner	
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Key events			
04/09/2003	Legislative proposal published	COM(2003)0537	Summary
02/12/2009	Additional information		Summary
18/09/2010	Proposal withdrawn by Commission		Summary

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2003/0208(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Codification
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 207-p2
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal		COM(2003)0537	05/09/2003	EC	Summary
Additional information					
European Commission		EUR-Lex			

Stabilisation and Association process in the Western Balkans: exceptional trade preferences

PURPOSE : the codification of exceptional trade measures for the countries involved in the EU's Stabilisation and Association process.

CONTENT : this proposal aims to undertake a codification of Council Regulation 2007/2000 introducing exceptional trade measures for countries and territories participating in or linked to the EU's Stabilisation and Association process, amending Regulation 2820/98/EC, and repealing Regulations 1763/1999/EC and 6/2003/EC. The new Regulation will supersede the various Regulations incorporated in it. The proposal fully preserves the substance of the acts being codified and hence does no more than bring them together with only such formal amendments as are required by the codification exercise itself. Insofar as the Articles have been given new numbers, the correlation between the old and the new numbers is shown in a table set out in Annex IV to the codified Regulation.?

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The Lisbon Treaty, which entered into force on 1 December 2009, amended the EU's two core treaties, the Treaty on European Union (TEU) and the Treaty establishing the European Community (EC Treaty). The latter was renamed the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU).

These changes had various consequences for many ongoing procedures. First of all, the articles of the TEU and of the old EC Treaty that constitute the legal basis of all the proposals founded on those Treaties were renumbered in accordance with the table of equivalences mentioned in Article 5 of the Lisbon Treaty.

In addition, some proposals underwent a change to their legal basis going beyond a mere change to their numbering, and this resulted in changes to the type of procedure.

The Lisbon Treaty also introduced new concepts of decision-making procedure. The old "codecision procedure" was extended to new areas and renamed the "ordinary legislative procedure". A new "consent procedure" replaced the old "assent procedure". New interinstitutional procedures were also set up for the adoption of certain non-legislative acts, for example the conclusion of some international agreements.

The ongoing proposals concerned by these changes were formally modified by the Commission in a Communication published on 2 December 2009 ([COM\(2009\)0665](#)).

In the case of the proposal for a Council Regulation introducing exceptional trade measures for countries and territories participating in or linked to the European Union's Stabilisation and Association process (codified version), the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty had the following impacts:

- the old legal basis ? Treaty/EC/Art. 133 ? became Article 207(2) of the TFEU. Please note that the numbering of the old legal basis corresponds to the consolidated version of the Treaty that was applicable immediately before the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty, and may differ from the references in the original Commission proposal;
- the proposal, which had previously fallen under the old consultation procedure (CNS), was classified as an ordinary legislative procedure (COD).

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As announced in Official Journal C 252 of 18 September 2010, the Commission decided to withdraw this proposal, which had become obsolete.