

Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	2003/0322(CNS)	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
EC/Switzerland agreement: ecopoints for heavy vehicles travelling through Austria from 1st January 2004		
Subject 3.20.15.04 Road transport agreements and cooperation		
Geographical area Austria Switzerland		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	RETT Regional Policy, Transport and Tourism		
Council of the European Union European Commission	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	ENVI Environment, Public Health, Consumer Policy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	Commission DG Energy and Transport	Commissioner BARROT Jacques	

Key events			
21/12/2003	Legislative proposal published	COM(2003)0836	Summary
13/01/2004	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
28/01/2004	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
29/01/2004	Vote in committee		
10/02/2004	Decision by Parliament	T5-0058/2004	Summary
13/03/2008	Proposal withdrawn by Commission		
13/03/2008	Additional information		Summary

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2003/0322(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure

Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 52-p1; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 071-p1; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p2-a1; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Committee dossier	RETT/5/20561

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Legislative proposal	COM(2003)0836	22/12/2003	EC	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T5-0058/2004 OJ C 097 22.04.2004, p. 0027-0065 E	10/02/2004	EP	Summary

Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex
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EC/Switzerland agreement: ecopoints for heavy vehicles travelling through Austria from 1st January 2004

PURPOSE : signature, provisional application and conclusion of an administrative arrangement in the form of an exchange of letters between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation concerning the transitional points system applicable to heavy goods vehicles travelling through Austria. PROPOSED ACT : Council Decision. CONTENT : the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on the carriage of goods and passengers by rail and road stipulates that a system of ecopoints equivalent to that provided for by Protocol 9 to the Act of Accession of Austria to the European Union will apply to Swiss operators in transit through Austria within the limits of validity of this Protocol. The Commission adopted a proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a system of ecopoints to be applied to heavy goods vehicles in transit through Austria for the year 2004. This proposal was the subject of an agreement between the European Parliament and the Council following the conciliation procedure on 25 November 2003. This agreement will lead to the adoption of a Regulation which will enter into force on 1 January 2004 (refer to COD/2001/0310). Currently, Switzerland is participating in the system of ecopoints on the basis of a bilateral agreement between Austria and Switzerland. This scheme will end on 31 December 2003. For reasons of equality of treatment and continuity of international commitments undertaken by the Community and Switzerland, the new transitional system of ecopoints should be applied to Switzerland from 1 January 2004. The Community should therefore now open negotiations with Switzerland on an administrative arrangement which will ensure that Switzerland participates in the new transitional points system. Given the short timescale in which the administrative arrangement must be applied (from 1 January 2004), the Commission calls on the Council to pronounce, at the same time, on the recommendation for negotiations and the proposals for Council decisions on the signature, provisional application and conclusion of the administrative arrangement. It therefore submits the relevant recommendation and proposals for decisions to the Council.?

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Following the conciliation agreement of 25 November 2003 between Council and Parliament on the transitional points system (ecopoints) applicable to heavy goods vehicles travelling through Austria, the European Parliament approved agreements on the number of ecopoints to be allocated to heavy goods vehicles registered in Croatia, Slovenia, Switzerland and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM) for 2004, 2005 and 2006. (Please see CNS/2003/0319, CNS/2003/0320, and CNS/2003/0323.) As the agreements are to be applied from 1 January 2004, the vote was under Article 112 of the Rules of Procedure (urgent procedures).?

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As announced in Official Journal C 68 of 13 March 2008, the Commission decided to withdraw this proposal, which had become obsolete.