


# Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	<a href="#">2005/0012(CNS)</a>	Procedure completed
EC/Lebanon agreement: air services, replacing the bilateral agreements by a Community agreement		
Subject 3.20.15.02 Air transport agreements and cooperation		
Geographical area Lebanon		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>TRAN</b> Transport and Tourism	ALDE <a href="#">COSTA Paolo</a>	15/03/2005
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	<a href="#">General Affairs</a>	<a href="#">2850</a>	18/02/2008
European Commission	Commission DG Energy and Transport	Commissioner	

Key events			
25/02/2005	Legislative proposal published	<a href="#">COM(2005)0062</a>	Summary
12/04/2005	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
14/06/2005	Vote in committee		Summary
13/07/2005	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A6-0232/2005</a>	
06/09/2005	Results of vote in Parliament		
06/09/2005	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T6-0314/2005</a>	Summary
18/02/2008	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
18/02/2008	End of procedure in Parliament		
05/03/2008	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	

Procedure reference	2005/0012(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p2/3-a1; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 080-p2
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	TRAN/6/26868

### Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	<a href="#">COM(2005)0062</a>	25/02/2005	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A6-0232/2005</a>	13/07/2005	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">T6-0314/2005</a> <a href="#">OJ C 314 17.08.2006, p. 0025-0066 E</a>	06/09/2005	EP	Summary

### Additional information

European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>
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### Final act

<a href="#">Decision 2008/191</a> <a href="#">OJ L 060 05.03.2008, p. 0025</a> Summary
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## EC/Lebanon agreement: air services, replacing the bilateral agreements by a Community agreement

PURPOSE : signature, provisional application and conclusion of the Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Lebanon on certain aspects of air services.

PROPOSED ACT : Council Decisions.

CONTENT : the Council authorised the Commission in June 2003 to open negotiations with third countries on the replacement of certain provisions in existing bilateral agreements with a Community agreement. The Commission has negotiated on behalf of the Community an agreement with the Republic of Lebanon on certain aspects of air services in accordance with the mechanisms and directives in the Annex to the Council's decision authorising the Commission to open negotiations with third countries on the replacement of certain provisions in existing bilateral agreements with a Community agreement.

Article 2 of the Agreement replaces the traditional designation clauses with a Community designation clause, permitting all Community carriers to benefit from the right of establishment. Articles 4 and 5 of the Agreement address two types of clauses concerning matters of Community competence. Article 4 deals with the taxation of aviation fuel. Article 5 (Pricing) resolves conflicts between the existing bilateral air services agreements and Council Regulation 2409/92 on fares and rates for air services which prohibits third country carriers from being price leaders on air services for carriage wholly within the Community.

The Council is asked to approve the decisions on the signature and provisional application and on the conclusion of the agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Lebanon on certain aspects of air services and to designate the persons authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the Community.

## EC/Lebanon agreement: air services, replacing the bilateral agreements by a Community agreement

The committee adopted the report by its chairman, Paolo COSTA (ALDE, IT) approving the conclusion of the agreement under the consultation procedure.

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The European Parliament adopted the resolution drafted by Paolo COSTA (ALDE, IT) and approved the conclusion of the Agreement with Lebanon.

## EC/Lebanon agreement: air services, replacing the bilateral agreements by a Community agreement

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**PURPOSE:** the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Lebanon on certain aspects of air services.

**LEGISLATIVE ACT:** Council Decision 2008/191/EC on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Lebanon on certain aspects of air services.

**CONTENT:** following the rulings of the Court of Justice of the European Communities in the 'Open skies' case, the Council authorised the Commission, in June 2003, to open negotiations with third countries in order to replace certain provisions in existing bilateral agreements with Community agreements. On behalf of the Community, the Commission has negotiated an Agreement with the Republic of Lebanon on certain aspects of air services, in accordance with the mechanisms and directives in the Annex to the Council Decision authorising the Commission to open negotiations with third countries in order to replace certain provisions in existing bilateral agreements with Community agreements.

The Council decided to approve the agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Lebanon on certain aspects of air services. Article 2 of the agreement replaces the traditional designation clauses with a Community designation clause, permitting all Community carriers to benefit from the right of establishment. Articles 4 and 5 of the Agreement address two types of clauses concerning matters of Community competence. Article 4 deals with the taxation of aviation fuel. Article 5 (Pricing) resolves conflicts between the existing bilateral air services agreements and Council Regulation No 2409/92 on fares and rates for air services, which prohibits third country carriers from being price leaders on air services for carriage wholly within the Community.