


# Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	<a href="#">2006/0016(CNS)</a>	Procedure completed
EC/Uruguay agreement: air services, replacing the bilateral agreements by a Community agreement		
Subject 3.20.15.02 Air transport agreements and cooperation		
Geographical area Uruguay		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>TRAN</b> Transport and Tourism	ALDE <a href="#">COSTA Paolo</a>	20/06/2006
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	<a href="#">General Affairs</a>	<a href="#">2850</a>	18/02/2008
	<a href="#">General Affairs</a>	<a href="#">2743</a>	17/07/2006
European Commission	Commission DG Energy and Transport	Commissioner BARROT Jacques	

Key events			
17/02/2006	Legislative proposal published	<a href="#">COM(2006)0064</a>	Summary
05/09/2006	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
13/09/2006	Vote in committee		Summary
20/09/2006	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A6-0296/2006</a>	
12/10/2006	Results of vote in Parliament		
12/10/2006	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T6-0399/2006</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	2006/0016(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 080-p2; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p2/3-a1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	TRAN/6/34377

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		<a href="#">COM(2006)0064</a>	17/02/2006	EC	Summary
Committee draft report		<a href="#">PE376.687</a>	18/08/2006	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">A6-0296/2006</a>	20/09/2006	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">T6-0399/2006</a>	12/10/2006	EP	Summary

Additional information	
National parliaments	<a href="#">IPEX</a>
European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>

Final act
<a href="#">Decision 2008/192</a> <a href="#">OJ L 060 05.03.2008, p. 0026</a> Summary

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

**PURPOSE:** the signature and conclusion of an Agreement between the EU and the Oriental Republic of Uruguay on certain aspects of air services.

**PROPOSED ACT:** Council Decision.

**CONTENT:** following a number of ECJ rulings in which the Court found in favour of the Commission regarding the EU's exclusive competence with respect to external aviation, the Council instructed the Commission to open negotiations with third countries on the replacement of certain provisions in existing bi-lateral agreements. This forms the basis of the present proposal. Since June 2003, the Commission has been negotiating an agreement with the Oriental Republic of Uruguay in order to replace certain provisions in existing bilateral air services agreements between the Member States and Uruguay.

Article 2 of the proposed Agreement replaces the traditional designation clauses with a Community designation clause thereby allowing all Community carriers to benefit from the right of establishment. Articles 4 and 5 of the Agreement address two types of clauses relating to matters of Community responsibility such as aviation fuel taxation and pricing. Article 5 on pricing resolves conflicts between existing bilateral air services agreement 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.

To conclude, 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 Oriental Republic of Uruguay on certain aspects of air services and to designate the persons authorised to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Community.

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

The committee adopted the report by its chairman, Paolo COSTA (ALDE, IT), approving - under the consultation procedure - the conclusion of the agreement between the EC and the Oriental Republic of Uruguay on certain aspects of air services.

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The European Parliament adopted the resolution drafted by Paolo COSTA (ALDE, IT), and approved the conclusion of the agreement between the EC and Uruguay on certain aspects of air services.

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

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**PURPOSE:** to conclude the Agreement between the European Community and the Eastern Republic of Uruguay on certain aspects of air services.

**LEGISLATIVE ACT:** Council Decision 2008/192/EC on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Community and the Eastern Republic of Uruguay on certain aspects of air services.

**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 Uruguay 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, a matter which has been harmonised by Council Directive 2003/96/EC restructuring the Community framework for the taxation of energy products and electricity, particularly Article 14 paragraph 2 thereof. Article 5 (Pricing) resolves conflicts between the existing bilateral air services agreements and Council Regulation 2409/92/EC 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.