

Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	2006/0095(CNS)	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Agreement EC/Bulgaria: participation in the work of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction		
Subject		
4.20.03 Drug addiction, alcoholism, smoking		
7.30.30.04 Action to combat drugs and drug-trafficking		
8.40.08 Agencies and bodies of the EU		
Geographical area		
Bulgaria		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	LIBE Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs		20/06/2006
	Committee for opinion	ALDE CAVADA Jean-Marie	
	BUDG Budgets	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
		The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union	Commission DG	Commissioner	
European Commission	Justice and Consumers	FRATTINI Franco	

Key events			
31/05/2006	Legislative proposal published	COM(2006)0255	Summary
04/10/2006	Vote in committee		
10/10/2006	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A6-0328/2006	
12/10/2006	Results of vote in Parliament		
12/10/2006	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
12/10/2006	Decision by Parliament	T6-0393/2006	Summary

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2006/0095(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 218-p6a; Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 168
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn

Committee dossier	LIBE/6/37525
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Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		COM(2006)0255	01/06/2006	EC	Summary
Committee draft report		PE378.529	15/09/2006	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A6-0328/2006	10/10/2006	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T6-0393/2006	12/10/2006	EP	Summary

Additional information	
National parliaments	IPEX

Agreement EC/Bulgaria: participation in the work of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction

PURPOSE: to conclude an Agreement between the Community and Bulgaria on the participation of Bulgaria in the work of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA). **PROPOSED ACT:** Council Decision.

CONTENT: based on a Council mandate, the European Commission has concluded negotiations for the participation of Bulgaria, a candidate country, of the EU's European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA). Negotiations on an Agreement have been concluded and Bulgaria is now in the process of ratifying the draft Agreement. Similar negotiations and Agreements have been concluded, simultaneously, with two other candidate countries: Turkey (CNS/2006/0089) and Romania (CNS/2006/0087).

The conditions set out in the draft Agreement are comparable to those applied to Norway's participation on the EMCDDA. The Agreement states that Bulgaria will be allowed to take part in the Centre's work programme and must meet all of the obligations set out in Council Regulation 302/93/EEC, establishing the Centre, and its subsequent amendments (Council Regulation 3294/94/EC, Council Regulation 2220/2000/EC and Council Regulation 1651/2003/EC). Bulgaria will be linked to the 'European Information Network on Drugs and Drug Addition' (REITOX) and will share data with the Centre. As far as the financial provisions are concerned, Bulgaria will be fully integrated in all of the Centre's activities after a 3-year phase-in period. The financial contribution is therefore expected to increase every year until the end of this period. Bulgaria may apply to Community assistance programmes to subsidise part of its financial contribution. The Agreement has been drafted to allow Bulgaria to take part in the Management Board ' but without voting rights.

Participation is on unlimited for an unlimited period and will last until such time as Bulgaria becomes a member of the European Union. For its part, the EMCDDA will treat this country as an existing Member based on equal terms, such as linking up to REITOX and staffing provisions. Participation:

A number of benefits are foreseen with the participation of Bulgaria on the Agreement. The Centre:

- will help apply the Community's body of law relating to drugs, prior to accession;
- will allow Bulgaria to become more familiar with the decision-making procedure of the EMCDDA;
- will extend its reporting on the state of drug use and addiction to Bulgaria;
- will allow data thus collected be used and disseminated through the Centre's Annual Report;
- will allow Bulgaria to benefit from the 'Early Warning System on New Synthetic Drugs' ? an instrument developed by the EMCDDA.

For further information concerning the financial implications of this measure, please refer to the financial statement.

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The European Parliament adopted the resolution drafted by Jean-Marie CAVADA (ALD, France) and approved the conclusion of the Agreement between the EC and Bulgaria on the participation of Bulgaria in the work of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction.