


Procedure file

| Basic information | | |
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| NLE - Non-legislative enactments Decision | 2007/0241(NLE) | Awaiting committee decision |
| EC/Israel Framework Agreement: participation in Community programmes. Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement | | |
| See also 1995/0276(AVC) | | |
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| Geographical area Israel | | |

| Key players | | | |
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| European Parliament | Committee responsible | Rapporteur | Appointed |
| | AFET Foreign Affairs | | |
| | Former committee responsible | | |
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| | Committee for opinion | Rapporteur for opinion | Appointed |
| | INTA International Trade | | |
| | Former committee for opinion | | |
| INTA International Trade | The committee decided not to give an opinion. | | |
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| Council of the European Union | Council configuration | Meeting | Date |
| | Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN | 2847 | 12/02/2008 |
| European Commission | Commission DG | Commissioner | |
| | External Relations | ASHTON Catherine | |

| Key events | | | |
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| | Parliament | | |
| 03/12/2008 | Debate in Parliament |  | |
| 19/10/2009 | Committee referral announced in Parliament | | |
| 02/12/2009 | Additional information | | Summary |
| 20/10/2014 | Committee referral announced in Parliament | | |

Technical information

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| Procedure reference | 2007/0241(NLE) |
| Procedure type | NLE - Non-legislative enactments |
| Procedure subtype | Consent by Parliament |
| Legislative instrument | Decision |
| | See also 1995/0276(AVC) |
| Legal basis | Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 217; Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 218-p6a |
| Stage reached in procedure | Awaiting committee decision |
| Committee dossier | AFET/10/00014 |

Documentation gateway

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| Preparatory document | COM(2007)0713 | 14/11/2007 | EC | Summary |
| Legislative proposal | 05471/2008 | 05/02/2008 | CSL | Summary |
| Document attached to the procedure | 05468/2008 | 05/02/2008 | CSL | Summary |

Additional information

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| National parliaments | IPEX |
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EC/Israel Framework Agreement: participation in Community programmes. Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement

PURPOSE: to ensure the participation of Israel in Community programmes.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

BACKGROUND: as part of the European Neighbourhood Policy, the gradual opening-up of certain Community programmes and agencies to the participation of ENP partner countries represents one of many measures designed to promote reform, modernisation and transition in the European Union's neighbourhood.

On this basis, on 18 June 2007, the Council issued directives to the Commission to negotiate Framework Agreements with Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Egypt, Georgia, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Moldova, Morocco, the Palestinian Authority, Tunisia, and Ukraine, on the general principles governing their participation in Community programmes.

The June 2007 European Council reaffirmed the paramount importance of the European Neighbourhood Policy and endorsed a report in which it mentioned the Council directives for negotiating relevant additional protocols, identifying Israel, Morocco and Ukraine as being likely to be the first partner countries to benefit from these measures.

Negotiations with Israel have since been completed to the satisfaction of the Commission. The text of the Protocol negotiated with Israel is attached.

CONTENT: the purpose of this proposal is to conclude a Protocol aiming to approve a Framework Agreement on the general principles governing Israel's participation in Community programmes. It contains standard stipulations that are intended to be applied to all ENP partner countries with which such protocols are to be concluded. The negotiated text also allows the Parties to provisionally apply the provisions of the Protocol from the date of its signature. This is particularly relevant in the case of Israel. The specific terms and conditions, including financial

contribution and reporting and evaluation procedures, regarding Israel's participation in each particular programme should be determined by agreement between the Commission of the European Communities, acting on behalf of the Community, and Israel.

Financial contribution: Israel shall contribute financially to the general budget of the European Union corresponding to the specific programmes in which Israel participates. If Israel applies for Community external assistance to participate in a given Community programme on the basis of [Regulation \(EC\) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council](#) laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument or pursuant to any similar Regulation providing for Community external assistance to Israel that may be adopted in the future, the conditions governing the use by Israel of the Community assistance shall be determined in a financing agreement.

Implementation and provisional application: the negotiated text allows the Parties to provisionally apply the provisions of the Protocol from the date of its signature. This is particularly relevant in the case of Israel.

The present Framework Agreement shall apply for the period for which the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part, is in force.

This Protocol shall be signed and approved by the Community and by Israel in accordance with their respective procedures. No later than three years after the date of entry into force of this Agreement, and every three years thereafter, both Contracting Parties may review the implementation of this Agreement on the basis of Israel's actual participation in one or more Community programmes.

According to Article 300(3) TEC, the European Parliament will be requested to give its assent to this Protocol.

EC/Israel Framework Agreement: participation in Community programmes. Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement

This document consists of the final act of the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part, on a Framework Agreement between the European Community and the State of Israel on the general principles governing the State of Israel's participation in Community programmes as was negotiated by Israel and the European Community.

For further details on this Agreement please refer to the Commission's former initial proposal of 14/11/2007).

EC/Israel Framework Agreement: participation in Community programmes. Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement

This document consists of the final act by which the Council decided to conclude the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part, on a Framework Agreement between the European Community and the State of Israel on the general principles governing the State of Israel's participation in Community programmes as was negotiated by Israel and the European Community (see Council doc. 05468/2008).

The provisions set out in the Agreement are identical to those in the initial proposal (please refer to the summary of the former initial proposal).

EC/Israel Framework Agreement: participation in Community programmes. Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement

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 Decision on the conclusion of a Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part, on a Framework Agreement between the European Community and the State of Israel on the general principles governing the State of Israel's participation in Community programmes, the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty had the following impacts:

- the old legal basis ? Treaty/EC/Art.300(2) first para, and (3), Art 310 ? became Art 217, Art 218 (6)(a) 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 assent procedure (AVC), was classified as an interinstitutional non-legislative

procedure (NLE).