


# Procedure file

Basic information	
CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	2008/0184(CNS) Procedure completed
EC/United States agreement for scientific and technological cooperation: extension	
See also <a href="#">1998/0095(CNS)</a>	
Subject 3.50.20 Scientific and technological cooperation and agreements	
Geographical area United States	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>ITRE</b> Industry, Research and Energy		07/10/2008
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	PPE-DE <a href="#">NIEBLER Angelika</a>	
	<a href="#">Transport, Telecommunications and Energy</a>	Meeting	Date
European Commission	Commission DG	<a href="#">2935</a>	30/03/2009
	<a href="#">Research and Innovation</a>	Commissioner	
		POTOČNIK Janez	

Key events			
28/09/2008	Legislative proposal published	<a href="#">COM(2008)0581</a>	Summary
17/11/2008	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
20/01/2009	Vote in committee		Summary
22/01/2009	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A6-0006/2009</a>	
03/02/2009	Results of vote in Parliament		
03/02/2009	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T6-0032/2009</a>	Summary
30/03/2009	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
30/03/2009	End of procedure in Parliament		
02/04/2009	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2008/0184(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision

	See also <a href="#">1998/0095(CNS)</a>
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p2/3-a1; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 170-p2
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ITRE/6/67939

### Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	<a href="#">COM(2008)0581</a>	29/09/2008	EC	Summary
Committee draft report	<a href="#">PE414.049</a>	05/12/2008	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A6-0006/2009</a>	22/01/2009	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">T6-0032/2009</a>	03/02/2009	EP	Summary

### Additional information

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

### Final act

[Decision 2009/306](#)  
[OJ L 090 02.04.2009, p. 0020](#) Summary

## EC/United States agreement for scientific and technological cooperation: extension

**PURPOSE:** to extend, for the additional period of 5 years, the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Government of the United States of America.

**PROPOSED ACT:** Council Decision.

**CONTENT:** the Agreement on cooperation in science and technology between the European Community and the Government of the United States of America was signed in Washington on 5 December, 1997 and entered into force on 14 October 1998 (see [CNS/1998/0095](#)). The Agreement was concluded for an initial period of 5 years. Subject to review by the Parties in the final year of each successive period, the Agreement may be extended with possible amendments, thereafter for additional periods of 5 years by mutual written agreement by the Parties. By Council Decision 2004/756/EC of 4 October, 2004 the Agreement was renewed for a further period of 5 years which became effective as from 14 October 2003. The Agreement is due to expire on 13 October, 2008 (see [CNS/2003/0223](#)).

As it is in the interest of the Community to extend this Agreement in order to continue to facilitate cooperation with the United States of America in common S&T priority areas leading to socio-economic benefits for both Parties, the Commission proposes to extend this Agreement for a period of 5 years from 2008.

The material content of the extended Agreement will be identical to the material content of the current Agreement, apart from amendments of a technical nature to update the scope of the agreement in line with the Seventh Community Research Framework Programme (FP7), consisting mainly in adding research on space, security and nanotechnologies to the list of sectors for cooperative activities.

## EC/United States agreement for scientific and technological cooperation: extension

The Committee on Industry, Research and Energy adopted the report drafted by Angelika NIEBLER (EPP-ED,) and approved the proposal for a Council decision concerning the extension of the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Government of the United States of America.

## EC/United States agreement for scientific and technological cooperation: extension

The European Parliament adopted by 385 votes to 9 with 7 abstentions, under the consultation procedure, a legislative resolution approving the proposal for a Council decision concerning the extension of the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the

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**PURPOSE:** to extend for 5 more years the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Government of the United States of America.

**LEGISLATIVE ACT:** [Council Decision 2009/306/EC concerning the extension and amendment of the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Government of the](#) United States of America.

**CONTENT:** the Council adopted a decision approving the extension of the EU/United States of America cooperation agreement on science and technology for a further period of five years.

Recall that by Decision 98/591/EC (see [CNS/1998/0095](#)), the Council approved the conclusion of the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the EC and the United States of America, which entered into force on 14 October 1998. The Agreement was renewed for a further five years by Decision 2004/756/EC (see [CNS/2003/0223](#)) with effect from 14 October 2003.

As this Agreement also expired on 13 October 2008, the parties agreed to renew the scientific and technological cooperation Agreement for a second time for a further five years.

The material content of the extended Agreement will be identical to the material content of the Agreement which expired on 13 October 2008, with the exception of a technical amendment consisting mainly in adding research on security and space to the list of sectors for cooperative activities, in line with the scope of the 7th Research Framework programme of the Community.

**ENTRY INTO FORCE:** the Agreement shall enter into force on the day on which the Contracting Parties notify each other that the procedures necessary to this end have been completed.