

Procedure file

Basic information	
CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	1992/1281(CNS) Procedure completed
EEC/Andean Pact agreement: cooperation framework agreement	
Subject 6.40.10 Relations with Latin America, Central America, Caribbean islands	
Geographical area Bolivia Colombia Venezuela Ecuador Peru	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	RELA External Economic Relations		
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Social Affairs	2081	07/04/1998

Key events			
12/11/1992	Legislative proposal published	COM(1992)0463	Summary
24/05/1993	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
01/07/1993	Vote in committee		Summary
30/06/1993	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A3-0225/1993	
13/07/1993	Debate in Parliament		Summary
15/07/1993	Decision by Parliament	T3-0450/1993	Summary
19/11/1997	Formal reconsultation of Parliament		
18/11/1997	Amended legislative proposal for reconsultation published	N4-0651/1997	
22/01/1998	Vote in committee		
18/02/1998	Decision by Parliament	T4-0068/1998	Summary
07/04/1998	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		

07/04/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		
29/04/1998	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1992/1281(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 52-p1; EC before Amsterdam E 228-p2/3; EC before Amsterdam E 113; EC before Amsterdam E 130Y
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	RELA/3/04708; RELA/4/09533

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal		COM(1992)0463 OJ C 025 28.01.1993, p. 0031	13/11/1992	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A3-0225/1993 OJ C 255 20.09.1993, p. 0005	01/07/1993	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T3-0450/1993 OJ C 255 20.09.1993, p. 0141-0167	15/07/1993	EP	Summary
Amended legislative proposal for reconsultation		N4-0651/1997	19/11/1997	EC	
Text adopted by Parliament after reconsultation		T4-0068/1998 OJ C 080 16.03.1998, p. 0081-0090	18/02/1998	EP	Summary

Final act

[Decision 1998/278](#)
[OJ L 127 29.04.1998, p. 0010](#) Summary

EEC/Andean Pact agreement: cooperation framework agreement

The draft decision sought to conclude a framework agreement for cooperation between the EEC and the Andean Pact countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela). It was based on the principles of democracy and human rights and was concluded for an initial period of five years, to be renewed tacitly unless terminated. The agreement related essentially to: - the strengthening of cooperation in a number of fields and promotion of the process of integration between the member countries of the Andean Pact; - the strengthening of ties and economic cooperation in a number of areas: industry, agricultural equipment, mining, agriculture, fishing, energy, the environment, new technologies, intellectual property, standards (including health and phytosanitary regulations), the services sector, transport, telecommunications, tourism, monetary issues and cross-border integration; - the development of trade: by investigating methods designed to reduce obstacles to trade and promoting meetings between industrialists; - development cooperation, etc. The agreement included the 'most favoured nation' clause. The parties undertook to exempt from tax duty those goods undergoing temporary importation. The agreement also provided for the conclusion of a separate protocol relating to ECSC products and included an evolutionary clause that allowed the areas of cooperation to be extended, if necessary. ?

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The Committee on External Economic Relations adopted Mrs Miranda de Lage's draft report. The rapporteur approved the conclusion of this cooperation agreement but pointed out that if financial resources intended for setting up this agreement did not correspond to the possibilities the agreement offered, the agreement would remain a dead letter and not live up to expectations. ?

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Parliament approved the conclusion of a cooperation agreement between the Community and the countries of the Andean Pact (Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru, Colombia and Venezuela). It made the point, however, that unless the funding set aside for this agreement was commensurate with the opportunities it offered, the agreement would remain a dead letter and would not deliver what was expected of it. The agreement paved the way for the broadest possible trade and economic cooperation (economic, industrial, scientific, technological, commercial and socio-cultural). It raised the possibility of cooperation in the new technology sectors such as IT and telecommunications. It looked at ways of cooperating in sectors of common interest such as financial institutions, investment, agriculture, forestry and the countryside, fishing, mines, energy, tourism, transport, the environment, biodiversity and the fight against drugs. It stressed the need to promote the social rights of the most disadvantaged, to give technical assistance in the areas of integration and regional cooperation and it sought to give a fresh boost to reciprocal trade. It contained an evolutionary clause allowing the scope of cooperation to be widened if need be. The cornerstone of the agreement was of course the 'democracy clause', that is to say cooperation between the Community and the Andean Pact was based on respect for the principles of democracy and human rights which informed the domestic and foreign policies of both parties. ?

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Parliament approved the proposal for a decision concerning conclusion of a cooperation agreement with the Cartagena Agreement and its member States (procedure without report). ?

EEC/Andean Pact agreement: cooperation framework agreement

OBJECTIVE: to conclude a framework agreement on cooperation between the European Economic Community and the Cartagena Agreement and its member countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela). **COMMUNITY MEASURE:** Council Decision 98/278/EC concerning the conclusion of the framework agreement on cooperation between the European Economic Community and the Cartagena Agreement and its member countries, namely the Republic of Bolivia, the Republic of Colombia, the Republic of Ecuador, the Republic of Peru and the Republic of Venezuela. **SUBSTANCE:** The agreement, which was signed in Copenhagen on 23 April 1993, is based on respect for the principles of democracy and human rights. It is concluded for an initial period of 5 years, and is tacitly renewable. It primarily concerns: -stepping up the cooperation which already exists in numerous fields and encouraging integration among the member countries of the Andean Pact; -stepping up economic cooperation in the fields of industry, agro-industry, mining, agriculture, fisheries, energy, environment, new technologies, science, intellectual property, standards and quality criteria, services (including financial services), transport, telecommunications, health and plant health regulations, and regional development; -developing trade by studying ways and means of reducing obstacles to trade and promoting meetings between industrialists; -development cooperation, etc. The agreement includes a most-favoured nation clause. The parties undertake to grant each other tax and duty exemption for temporary import of goods. The agreement also mentions the conclusion of a separate protocol concerning ECSC products. It includes a clause concerning future developments, whereby the scope of cooperation may be extended as necessary. **ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE AGREEMENT:** 01.05.1998.?