

# Procedure file

Basic information		
AVC - Assent procedure (historic)	<a href="#">1992/1302(AVC)</a>	Procedure completed
EC/Romania Europe agreement		
Subject 6.40.02 Relations with central and eastern Europe		
Geographical area Romania		

Key players			
European Parliament			
Council of the European Union			
Council configuration	<a href="#">General Affairs</a>	Meeting <a href="#">1820</a>	Date 19/12/1994

Key events			
20/12/1992	Initial legislative proposal published	COM(1992)0511	
27/01/1993	Legislative proposal published	<a href="#">04219/1993</a>	Summary
08/03/1993	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
07/10/1993	Vote in committee		Summary
06/10/1993	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A3-0276/1993	
25/10/1993	Debate in Parliament		
27/10/1993	Decision by Parliament	T3-0534/1993	
19/12/1994	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
19/12/1994	End of procedure in Parliament		
31/12/1994	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1992/1302(AVC)
Procedure type	AVC - Assent procedure (historic)
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 238; ECSC Treaty C 095; EC before Amsterdam E 228-p2/3-a2; Euratom Treaty A 101

Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	AFET/3/04386

Documentation gateway					
Initial legislative proposal		COM(1992)0511	21/12/1992	EC	
Legislative proposal		<a href="#">04219/1993</a>	28/01/1993	CSL	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A3-0276/1993 <a href="#">OJ C 296 01.11.1993, p. 0004</a>	07/10/1993	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T3-0534/1993 <a href="#">OJ C 315 22.11.1993, p. 0070-0103</a>	27/10/1993	EP	

Final act	
<a href="#">Decision 1994/907</a> <a href="#">OJ L 357 31.12.1994, p. 0001</a>	Summary

## EC/Romania Europe agreement

This proposal for a decision sought to conclude an Association Agreement between the Community and its Member States and Romania. It was a mixed agreement covering areas of both Community and national competence, concluded for an unlimited period. It aimed essentially to establish a free trade area between the Community and its Member States and Romania. It included for the first time political dialogue and cultural cooperation and had as a framework the future accession of Romania to the European Community. In particular, the agreement provided for: - a transitional period of 10 years consisting of two periods of five years, which did not apply to the trade provisions, - the creation of a free trade area covering all products with a mutual yet asymmetrical liberalisation process between the parties, - separate protocols for sensitive products (textiles, coal and steel, and processed agricultural products), - rules of origin and provisions relating to customs cooperation, - the improvement of the situation of Romanian workers residing legally in the Community, - national treatment with regard to free establishment and the provision of services by Romanian operators operating in the Community, - the liberalisation of the movement of capital and payments and the harmonisation of legislation, - increased financial cooperation through the allocation of non-refundable aid (e.g. Phare), EIB loans or actions providing technical macro-economic assistance, - an association council meeting at least once a year which would have certain decision-making powers, as well as an association parliamentary committee of an advisory nature. This agreement replaced the former economic and trade cooperation agreement concluded between the Community and Romania. ?

## EC/Romania Europe agreement

The rapporteur suggested that Parliament should give its assent to conclusion of the association agreement between the Community and its Member States and Romania. He saw this association agreement as an essential factor for stability and security in the Balkans. The agreement would govern all economic and trade relations between the two parties and would replace the trade and cooperation agreement signed on 1 May 1991. It was to be concluded for an indefinite period, with an initial transitional period of 10 years. Following a first 5-year phase, a specific decision would be taken on whether to proceed to a second phase for matters other than trade. ?

## EC/Romania Europe agreement

The Council approved this decision concerning the conclusion of a European association agreement between the Community and its Member States and Romania. It was a mixed agreement covering areas of Community and national responsibility, concluded for an unlimited period. It aimed essentially to establish a free trade area between the Community and its Member States and Romania. It included for the first time political dialogue and cultural cooperation and had as a framework the future accession of Romania to the European Community. In particular, the agreement provided for: - a transitional period of 10 years consisting of two periods of five years, which did not apply to the trade provisions, - the creation of a free trade area covering all products with a mutual yet asymmetrical liberalisation process between the parties, - separate protocols for sensitive products (textiles, coal and steel, and processed agricultural products), - rules of origin and provisions relating to customs cooperation, - the improvement of the situation of Romanian workers residing legally in the Community, - national treatment with regard to free establishment and the provision of services by Romanian operators operating in the Community, - the liberalisation of the movement of capital and payments and the harmonisation of legislation, - increased financial cooperation through the allocation of non-refundable aid (e.g. Phare), EIB loans or actions providing technical macro-economic assistance, - an association council meeting at least once a year which would have certain decision-making powers, as well as an association parliamentary committee of an advisory nature. This agreement replaced the former economic and trade cooperation agreement concluded between the Community and Romania on 22 October 1990. Following the conclusion of the ratification procedures by the contracting parties, this agreement entered into force on 1 January 1995. ?