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Basic information	
<p>COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) <a href="#">2014/0158(COD)</a> Regulation</p>	Procedure completed
<p>Safeguard measures provided for in the EEC/Switzerland Agreement. Codification</p>	
<p>Repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2841/72</p>	
<p>Subject 6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations</p>	
<p>Geographical area Switzerland</p>	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	 Legal Affairs	 <a href="#">DUDA Andrzej</a>	03/09/2014
		Shadow rapporteur  <a href="#">GERINGER DE OEDENBERG Lidia Joanna</a>	
	Former committee responsible		
	 <a href="#">Legal Affairs</a>		
Council of the European Union European Commission	Commission DG <a href="#">Legal Service</a>	Commissioner BARROSO José Manuel	

Key events			
27/05/2014	Legislative proposal published	COM(2014)0305	Summary
11/11/2014	Vote in committee, 1st reading/single reading		
28/01/2015	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		
28/04/2015	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A8-0145/2015</a>	Summary
19/05/2015	Results of vote in Parliament		
19/05/2015	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">T8-0189/2015</a>	Summary
15/06/2015	Act adopted by Council after Parliament's 1st reading		
08/07/2015	Final act signed		
08/07/2015	End of procedure in Parliament		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2014/0158(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Codification
Legislative instrument	Regulation
	Repealing Regulation (EEC) No 2841/72
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 207-p2
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 159
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	JURI/8/00459

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		COM(2014)0305	27/05/2014	EC	Summary
Committee draft report		<a href="#">PE539.632</a>	09/10/2014	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">A8-0145/2015</a>	28/04/2015	EP	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">T8-0189/2015</a>	19/05/2015	EP	Summary
Draft final act		<a href="#">00023/2015/LEX</a>	08/06/2015	CSL	

Additional information	
European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>

Final act
<a href="#">Regulation 2015/1145</a> <a href="#">OJ L 191 17.07.2015, p. 0001</a> Summary

## Safeguard measures provided for in the EEC/Switzerland Agreement. Codification

**PURPOSE:** codification of Regulation (EEC) No 2841/72 of the Council of 19 December 1972 on the safeguard measures provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation.

**PROPOSED ACT:** Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council.

**ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT:** the European Parliament decides in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure and on an equal footing with the Council.

**CONTENT:** in the interests of clarity and transparency of Union law, the purpose of this proposal is to undertake a codification of Regulation (EEC) No 2841/72 of the Council on the safeguard measures provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation.

Regulation (EEC) No 2841/72 of the Council has been substantially amended several times. It is recalled that in 1987, the Commission decided to instruct its staff that all acts should be codified after no more than ten amendments, stressing that this is a minimum requirement. The Edinburgh European Council in December 1992 confirmed the importance of codification as it offers certainty as to the law applicable to a given matter at a given time.

The European Parliament, the Council and the Commission agreed, by an interinstitutional agreement dated 20 December 1994, that an accelerated procedure may be used for the fast-track adoption of codification instruments.

The new Regulation will supersede the various acts incorporated in it; it fully preserves the content of the acts being codified and hence does

no more than bring them together with only such formal amendments as are required by the codification exercise itself.

## Safeguard measures provided for in the EEC/Switzerland Agreement. Codification

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The Committee on Legal Affairs adopted the report by Andrzej DUDA (ECR, PL) on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the safeguard measures provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation (codified text).

The committee recommended the European Parliament to adopt its position at first reading following the ordinary legislative procedure taking over the Commission proposal as adapted to the recommendations of the Consultative Working Party of the legal services of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission.

The Consultative Working Party concluded that the proposal in question contains a straightforward codification of the existing texts without any change in their substance.

The proposal concerns rules for implementing the safeguard clauses and precautionary measures provided for in Articles 22 to 27 of the Agreement between the European Economic Community and Switzerland, signed on 22 July 1972.

The implementation of the bilateral safeguard clauses of the Agreement requires uniform conditions for the adoption of safeguard measures. Those measures should be adopted in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council (comitology).

The Commission should adopt immediately applicable implementing acts where, in duly justified cases or in the case of export aids that have a direct and immediate effect on trade, imperative grounds of urgency so require.

## Safeguard measures provided for in the EEC/Switzerland Agreement. Codification

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The European Parliament adopted by 614 votes to 30 with 30 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the safeguard measures provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation (codified text).

Parliament adopted its position in first reading following the ordinary legislative procedure and approved the Commission proposal without amendment.

The Consultative Working Party considered the proposal in question contains a straightforward codification of the existing texts without any change in their substance.

The proposal for the codification of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2841/72 - substantially amended several times - concerns detailed rules for implementing the safeguard clauses and precautionary measures where exceptional circumstances require immediate action, as provided in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation, signed in Brussels on 22 July 1972.

The Commission shall be assisted by the Committee on Safeguards established by [Regulation \(EU\) 2015/478](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council. That Committee shall be a committee within the meaning of [Regulation \(EU\) No 182/2011](#) (Comitology Regulation).

The Commission shall include information on the implementation of this Regulation in its annual report on the application and implementation of trade defence measures presented to the European Parliament and to the Council pursuant to [Regulation \(EC\) No 1225/2009](#).

## Safeguard measures provided for in the EEC/Switzerland Agreement. Codification

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**PURPOSE:** codification of Regulation (EEC) No 2841/72 of the Council of 19 December 1972 on the safeguard measures provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation.

**LEGISLATIVE ACT:** Regulation (EU) 2015/1145 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the safeguard measures provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation (codification).

**CONTENT:** Regulation (EEC) No 2841/72 of the Council has been substantially amended several times. In the interests of clarity and rationality, that Regulation should be codified.

**Safeguard clauses:** in the framework of an agreement between the European Economic Community and Switzerland signed in Brussels on 22 July 1972, detailed rules are necessary for implementing the safeguard clauses and precautionary measures.

The implementation of the bilateral safeguard clauses of the Agreement requires uniform conditions for the adoption of safeguard measures. Those measures should be adopted in accordance with [Regulation \(EU\) No 182/2011](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council.

In this context, the Commission should adopt immediately applicable implementing acts where, in duly justified cases relating to situations referred to in the Agreement or in the case of export aids that have a direct and immediate effect on trade, imperative grounds of urgency so require. Where necessary, the Commission shall adopt safeguard measures in accordance with the examination procedure.

Regulation (EEC) No 2841/72 is repealed.

**ENTRY INTO FORCE:** 6.8.2015.