

Procedure file

Basic information

NLE - Non-legislative enactments	2015/0114(NLE)	Procedure completed
EU/Mongolia Partnership and Cooperation Framework Agreement See also 2015/0113(NLE) See also 2016/2231(INI)		
Subject 6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations 6.30.02 Financial and technical cooperation and assistance 6.40.08 Relations with Asian countries		
Geographical area Mongolia		

Key players

European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	 Foreign Affairs	Shadow rapporteur	
		 KELAM Tunne	
		 BENIFEI Brando	
		 TANNOCK Timothy Charles Ayrton	
		 KYUCHYUK Ilhan	
		 MESZERICS Tamás	
		 CASTALDO Fabio Massimo	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	 Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	 International Trade	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)	3580	30/11/2017
European Commission	Commission DG	Commissioner	
	International Cooperation and Development	MIMICA Neven	

Key events

29/05/2015	Preparatory document	COM(2015)0226	Summary
30/05/2016	Legislative proposal published	08919/2016	Summary
22/06/2016	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
05/12/2016	Vote in committee		
12/12/2016	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A8-0382/2016	Summary
15/02/2017	Results of vote in Parliament		
15/02/2017	Decision by Parliament	T8-0032/2017	Summary
30/11/2017	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
30/11/2017	End of procedure in Parliament		
09/12/2017	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2015/0114(NLE)
Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
Procedure subtype	Consent by Parliament
	See also 2015/0113(NLE) See also 2016/2231(INI)
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 209-p1; Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 207; Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 218-p6a
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 159
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	AFET/8/03594

Documentation gateway					
Document attached to the procedure		07902/1/2011	12/06/2012	CSL	
Preparatory document		COM(2015)0226	29/05/2015	EC	Summary
Legislative proposal		08919/2016	30/05/2016	CSL	Summary
Committee draft report		PE589.229	18/10/2016	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A8-0382/2016	12/12/2016	EP	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T8-0032/2017	15/02/2017	EP	Summary

Final act					
Decision 2017/2270 OJ L 326 09.12.2017, p. 0005 Summary					

EU/Mongolia Partnership and Cooperation Framework Agreement

PURPOSE: to conclude the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, of the other part.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: Council may adopt the act only if Parliament has given its consent to the act.

BACKGROUND: in accordance with the Decision of the Council of 14 May 2012, a Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation (PCA) between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, of the other part, was signed on 30 April 2013, subject to its conclusion at a later date. The Agreement should now be approved on behalf of the European Union.

The PCA will supersede the current legal framework of the 1993 Agreement on trade and economic cooperation between the European Economic Community and Mongolia.

The Commission notes that following the 11 June 2014 ruling of the Court of Justice of the European Union in Case C-377/12 Commission v Council regarding the Council Decision on the signature of the PCA with the Philippines, this proposal should be based on Articles 207, 209 and 218(6) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU).

CONTENT: under this proposal, it is proposed that the Council approve, on behalf of the Union, the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, of the other part.

Shared principles: the PCA is testimony to the growing importance of EU-Mongolia relations based on shared principles such as equality, mutual respect, mutual benefit, democracy, the rule of law and human rights. It includes the EU's standard political clauses on human rights, weapons of mass destruction (WMDs), the International Criminal Court (ICC), small arms and light weapons (SALWs) and counter-terrorism, and promotes bilateral, regional and international cooperation.

Concrete cooperation: the PCA will allow the EU to assume greater responsibility and influence in the region, and to promote European values and provide the basis for more effective engagement by the EU and its Member States with Mongolia. It strengthens political, economic and sectoral cooperation across a wide range of policy fields, including trade and investment, development, justice, freedom and security.

It encompasses areas such as:

- cooperation on principles, norms and standards,
- raw materials,
- migration,
- organised crime and corruption,
- industrial policy,
- small and medium-sized enterprises,
- tourism,
- energy,
- education and culture,
- the environment,
- climate change and natural resources,
- agriculture,
- health,
- civil society and the modernisation of the state and public administration.

Institutional framework: the draft Agreement comprises institutional measures establishing a Joint Committee, composed of representatives of both sides at an appropriate high level, whose tasks shall be to ensure the proper functioning and implementation of this Agreement.

Duration of the Agreement: this Agreement is valid for a period of five years. It shall be automatically extended for further successive periods of one year, unless either Party notifies the other in writing of its intention not to do so.

EU/Mongolia Partnership and Cooperation Framework Agreement

PURPOSE: to conclude the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, of the other part.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: the Council may adopt the act only if Parliament has given its consent to the act.

BACKGROUND: on 27 July 2009, the Council authorised the Commission to negotiate a Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation (PCA) with Mongolia.

Negotiations were launched in Ulaan Baatar in January 2010 and concluded in October 2010. The two sides initialled the PCA on 20 December 2010 and signed it on 30 April 2013.

The PCA will supersede the current legal framework of the 1993 Agreement on trade and economic cooperation between the European Economic Community and Mongolia.

The PCA will allow the EU to assume greater responsibility and influence in the region, and to promote European values and enhance concrete cooperation in a wide range of areas of mutual interest.

Legal note: following the 11 June 2014 ruling of the Court of Justice of the European Union in Case C-377/12 Commission v Council regarding the Council Decision on the signature of the PCA with the Philippines, this proposal should be based on Articles 207, 209 and 218(6) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU).

In the light of the above judgment, it follows that the Protocols referred to in the recital do not apply to the PCA itself. The EU side should inform the Mongolian side of these internal developments by means of a note verbale.

The Agreement should now be approved on behalf of the European Union.

CONTENT: the Council is called upon to adopt a decision, approving on behalf of the European Union, on the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, of the other part.

The text of the Agreement is annexed to the decision.

CONTENT: The draft Agreement focuses in the following issues:

Respect for democratic principles: the PCA is testimony to the growing importance of EU-Mongolia relations based on shared principles such as equality, mutual respect, mutual benefit, democracy, the rule of law and human rights.

It includes the EUs standard political clauses on:

- human rights,
- weapons of mass destruction (WMDs),
- the International Criminal Court (ICC),
- small arms and light weapons (SALWs) and counter-terrorism.

It also promotes bilateral, regional and international cooperation.

Trade cooperation: the Agreement strengthens political, economic and sectoral cooperation across a wide range of policy fields, including trade and investment, development, justice, freedom and security.

It encompasses areas such as cooperation on:

- principles, norms and standards,
- raw materials,
- migration,
- organised crime and corruption,
- industrial policy and small and medium-sized enterprises,
- tourism,
- energy,
- education and culture,
- the environment,
- climate change and natural resources,
- agriculture,
- health,
- civil society and
- the modernisation of the state and public administration.

EU/Mongolia Partnership and Cooperation Framework Agreement

The Committee on Foreign Affairs adopted the recommendation by Helmut SCHOLZ (GUE/NGL, DE) on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, of the other part.

The committee recommended the European Parliament to give its consent to the conclusion of the Agreement.

EU/Mongolia Partnership and Cooperation Framework Agreement

The European Parliament adopted by 618 votes to 65, with 16 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, of the other part.

The European Parliament gave its consent to the conclusion of the Protocol.

EU/Mongolia Partnership and Cooperation Framework Agreement

PURPOSE: to approve the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, of the other part.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Decision (EU) 2017/2270 on the conclusion of the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, of the other part.

CONTENT: with this Decision, the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Mongolia, of the other part, is hereby approved on behalf of the Union.

The Framework Agreement was signed on 30 April 2013, subject to its conclusion at a later date.

General principles: respect for democratic principles and human rights, as laid down in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, constitutes

an essential element of this Agreement.

The Parties reaffirm their attachment to the principle of good governance and confirm their commitment to promoting sustainable development, cooperating to address the challenges of climate change and to contributing to the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Development Goals.

Areas of cooperation: with a view to strengthening their bilateral relationship, the Parties undertake to hold a comprehensive dialogue and promote further cooperation in the following areas:

- political, social and economic issues in all relevant regional and international fora and organisations;
- fight against crime and international crime;
- fight against the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, small arms and light weapons;
- trade and investment;
- justice, freedom and security, including the rule of law and legal cooperation, data protection, migration, smuggling and trafficking in human beings, the fight against crime organised crime, terrorism, transnational crime, money laundering and illicit drugs;
- people-to-people understanding through cooperation among various non-governmental entities such as think-tanks, academics, civil society, and the media, in the form of seminars, conferences, youth interaction and other activities;
- poverty eradication in the context of sustainable development and the progressive integration of Mongolia into the world economy.

The Parties also undertake to establish cooperation in all other areas of mutual interest, in particular macro-economic policy and financial services, taxation and customs, including good governance in the tax area, industrial policy and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), information society, audiovisual and media, science and technology, energy, transport, education and culture, environment and natural resources, agriculture and rural development, health, employment and social affairs.

The Agreement contains institutional arrangements to set up a joint committee composed of representatives of both sides to ensure the proper functioning and implementation of the agreement and resolve disputes.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 9.12.2017.