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Basic information	
NLE - Non-legislative enactments	2016/0121(NLE)
Procedure completed	
EC/Egypt Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol	
See also <a href="#">2001/0092(AVC)</a>	
Subject	
6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations	
6.40.05.02 Relations with the countries of the Great Maghreb and Maghreb	
Geographical area	
Egypt	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	 Foreign Affairs	 <a href="#">MĂNESCU Ramona Nicole</a>	12/07/2016
		Shadow rapporteur	
		 <a href="#">POCHE Miroslav</a>	
		 <a href="#">BELDER Bas</a>	
		 <a href="#">VAUTMANS Hilde</a>	
		 <a href="#">LOCHBIHLER Barbara</a>	
		 <a href="#">CASTALDO Fabio Massimo</a>	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	 International Trade	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union			

Key events			
26/04/2016	Preparatory document	<a href="#">COM(2016)0229</a>	Summary
06/07/2016	Legislative proposal published	<a href="#">10219/2016</a>	Summary
26/04/2017	Committee referral announced in Parliament		

22/01/2019	Vote in committee		
25/01/2019	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A8-0025/2019</a>	Summary
12/03/2019	Results of vote in Parliament		
12/03/2019	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T8-0145/2019</a>	Summary
24/05/2019	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
24/05/2019	End of procedure in Parliament		
24/05/2019	Final act published in Official Journal		

### Technical information

Procedure reference	2016/0121(NLE)
Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
Procedure subtype	Consent by Parliament
	See also <a href="#">2001/0092(AVC)</a>
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 217; 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/8/06384

### Documentation gateway

Document attached to the procedure	<a href="#">COM(2016)0232</a>	26/04/2016	EC	
Preparatory document	<a href="#">COM(2016)0229</a>	26/04/2016	EC	Summary
Legislative proposal	<a href="#">10219/2016</a>	06/07/2016	CSL	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	<a href="#">10221/2016</a>	06/07/2016	CSL	
Committee draft report	<a href="#">PE627.739</a>	09/10/2018	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A8-0025/2019</a>	25/01/2019	EP	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">T8-0145/2019</a>	12/03/2019	EP	Summary

### Final act

[Decision 2019/835](#)  
[OJ L 138 24.05.2019, p. 0001](#) Summary

## EC/Egypt Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

PURPOSE: to conclude, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, a Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Arab Republic of Egypt, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

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:** according to its Act of Accession, Croatia undertakes to accede to the international agreements signed or concluded by the European Union and its Member States by means of a protocol to these agreements.

The Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Arab Republic of Egypt, of the other part, was signed on 25 June 2001. The Agreement entered into force on 1 June 2004.

On 14 September 2012, the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations with the third countries concerned with a view to concluding the relevant protocols. The negotiations with the Arab Republic of Egypt were successfully concluded on 29 October 2015.

The Commission judges the results of the negotiations to be satisfactory and requests the Council to approve the Protocol on behalf of the European Union and its Member States.

**CONTENT:** the Commission called on the Council to adopt a decision seeking to approve, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Arab Republic of Egypt, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

The text of the Protocol is attached to the proposal.

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**PURPOSE:** to conclude, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, a Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Egypt, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

**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:** the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Egypt, of the other part was signed on 25 June 2001. It entered into force on 1 June 2004.

Croatia became a Member State of the European Union on 1 July 2013.

In accordance with the Act of Accession of Croatia, the accession of Croatia to the Agreement is to be agreed by means of a protocol to the Agreement concluded between the Council, acting unanimously on behalf of the Member States, and Egypt.

On 14 September 2012, the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations with Egypt. The negotiations were successfully concluded.

In accordance with a Council Decision, the Protocol has been signed on behalf of the Union and its Member States.

It is now necessary to approve the Protocol on behalf of the EU.

**CONTENT:** under this proposed Decision, it is provided that the Council approve, on behalf of the Union and its Member States, the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Arab Republic of Egypt, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

The text of the Protocol is attached to the proposal.

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The Committee on Foreign Affairs adopted a report by Ramona Nicole Mănescu (EPP, RO) on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of a Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Arab Republic of Egypt, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

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

The Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Arab Republic of Egypt, of the other part, was signed on 25 June 2001. It entered into force on 1 June 2004.

Croatia's Act of Accession to the EU provides that Croatia will accede to international agreements signed or concluded by the European Union and its Member States by means of protocols to these agreements. On 14 September 2012, the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations with the third countries concerned in order to conclude the necessary protocols. Negotiations with Egypt were concluded on 29 October 2015.

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The European Parliament adopted by 574 votes to 46 with 46 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of a Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Arab Republic of Egypt, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

Parliament gave its consent to conclusion of the Protocol through which Croatia becomes a party to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Arab Republic of Egypt, of the other part. The Agreement was signed on 25 June 2001 and entered into force on 1 June 2004.

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**PURPOSE:** to conclude, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, a Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Egypt, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

**NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT:** Council Decision (EU) 2019/835 on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of a Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Arab Republic of Egypt, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

**CONTENT:** the Council decided to approve, on behalf of the Union and its Member States, the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Egypt, of the other part, to take account of Croatia's accession to the European Union.

The Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Egypt, of the other part, was signed in Luxembourg on 25 June 2001. It entered into force on 1 June 2004.

In accordance with its Act of Accession, Croatia has undertaken to accede to international agreements signed or concluded by the European Union and its Member States by means of a protocol to these agreements. The Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement to take account of Croatia's accession to the European Union was signed on 10 April 2017, subject to its conclusion at a later date.

**ENTRY INTO FORCE:** 8.4.2019.