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Basic information	
NLE - Non-legislative enactments Decision	2018/0080(NLE) Procedure completed
EC/Israel Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol See also <a href="#">1995/0276(AVC)</a>	
Subject 6.40.05.06 Relations with the countries of the Middle East 6.40.15 European neighbourhood policy	
Geographical area Israel	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	 AFET Foreign Affairs	 <a href="#">PREDA Cristian Dan</a>	20/03/2018
	Committee for opinion	Shadow rapporteur	
	 INTA International Trade	 <a href="#">LIETZ Arne</a>	Appointed
		Rapporteur for opinion	The committee decided not to give an opinion.
Council of the European Union			

Key events			
04/04/2018	Initial legislative proposal published	<a href="#">COM(2018)0166</a>	Summary
18/06/2018	Legislative proposal published	<a href="#">09547/2018</a>	Summary
14/01/2019	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
04/03/2019	Vote in committee		
06/03/2019	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A8-0164/2019</a>	Summary
26/03/2019	Results of vote in Parliament		
26/03/2019	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T8-0223/2019</a>	Summary
16/04/2019	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
16/04/2019	End of procedure in Parliament		
16/04/2019	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2018/0080(NLE)
Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
	See also <a href="#">1995/0276(AVC)</a>
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 218-p6a; Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 217
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 159
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	AFET/8/12671

### Documentation gateway

Initial legislative proposal	<a href="#">COM(2018)0166</a>	04/04/2018	EC	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	<a href="#">COM(2018)0162</a>	04/04/2018	EC	
Legislative proposal	<a href="#">09547/2018</a>	19/06/2018	CSL	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	<a href="#">09548/2018</a>	19/06/2018	CSL	
Committee draft report	<a href="#">PE633.052</a>	23/01/2019	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A8-0164/2019</a>	06/03/2019	EP	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">T8-0223/2019</a>	26/03/2019	EP	Summary

### Final act

[Decision 2019/610](#)  
[OJ L 105 16.04.2019, p. 0001](#) Summary

## EC/Israel 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 Israel, 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 those agreements.

The Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Israel, of the other part, was signed in Brussels on 20 November 1995 and entered into force on 1 June 2000.

The negotiations with the State of Israel were successfully concluded on 28 September 2017.

The Commission judges the results of the negotiations to be satisfactory and requests the Council to adopt the attached proposal for a Decision on the conclusion of the Protocol after obtaining the consent of the European Parliament.

In accordance with EU policy, this Protocol shall not apply to the geographic areas that came under the administration of the State of Israel after 5 June 1967.

**CONTENT:** the Commission calls on the Council to adopt a decision 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 Israel, 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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**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 Israel, 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 Israel, of the other part, was signed on 20 November 1995. The Agreement entered into force on 1 June 2000.

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

In accordance with Article 6(2) of the Act of Accession of the Republic of Croatia, the accession of Croatia to this 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 the State of Israel.

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

In accordance with a Council Decision, the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Israel, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union was signed on behalf of the Union and its Member States.

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

**CONTENT:** the Council seeks to approve, on behalf of the Union, the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

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The Committee on Foreign Affairs adopted the report by Cristian Dan PREDA (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 State of Israel, 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 Republic of Croatia became a Member State of the European Union on 1 July 2013. In accordance with the Act of Accession of the Republic of Croatia, its accession to this Agreement must be approved by the conclusion of a Protocol to the Agreement between the Council, acting unanimously on behalf of the Member States, and the State of Israel.

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

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The European Parliament adopted by 565 votes to 44, 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 State of Israel, of the other part, to take into account the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

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

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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 Israel, of the other part, to take account of Croatia's accession to the European Union.

**NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT:** Council Decision (EU) 2019/610 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 State of Israel, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

**CONTENT:** the Council adopted a Decision on the approval, on behalf of the Union, of the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the Union.

The Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one

part, and the State of Israel, was signed on 20 November 1995. It entered into force on 1 June 2000.

Croatia became a Member State of the European Union on 1 July 2013. In accordance with the Act of Accession of Croatia, its accession to that Agreement must be approved by the conclusion of a Protocol to the Agreement between the Council, acting unanimously on behalf of the Member States, and the State of Israel.

On 14 September 2012, the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations with the State of Israel. The Protocol to the Agreement to take account of Croatia's accession to the European Union was signed on behalf of the Union and its Member States in Brussels on 20 December 2018.

Under the Protocol, Croatia is included in the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 8.4.2019.