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Basic information	
NLE - Non-legislative enactments	2018/0409(NLE)
EU/Serbia status agreement: actions carried out by the European Border and Coast Guard Agency in Serbia	
Subject 7.10.04 External borders crossing and controls, visas	
Geographical area Serbia, from 06/2006	
Procedure completed	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	 <a href="#">Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs</a>	 <a href="#">VOLLATH Bettina</a>	04/09/2019
		Shadow rapporteur	
		 <a href="#">METSOLA Roberta</a>	
		 <a href="#">ŠIMEČKA Michal</a>	
	 <a href="#">FRANZ Romeo</a>		
	 <a href="#">BRUDZIŃSKI Joachim Stanisław</a>		
	Former committee responsible		
	 <a href="#">Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs</a>		
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	 <a href="#">Foreign Affairs</a>	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	Former committee for opinion		
	 <a href="#">Foreign Affairs</a>		
Council of the European Union			
European Commission	Commission DG <a href="#">Migration and Home Affairs</a>	Commissioner AVRAMOPOULOS Dimitris	

Key events			
07/12/2018	Preparatory document	<a href="#">COM(2018)0797</a>	

15/01/2019	Legislative proposal published	15581/2018	
28/11/2019	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
28/01/2020	Vote in committee		
29/01/2020	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A9-0019/2020</a>	
13/05/2020	Results of vote in Parliament		
13/05/2020	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T9-0058/2020</a>	Summary
26/05/2020	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
25/06/2020	Final act published in Official Journal		

### Technical information

Procedure reference	2018/0409(NLE)
Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
Procedure subtype	Consent by Parliament
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 218-p6a; Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 077-p2; Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 079-p2
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	LIBE/9/00403

### Documentation gateway

Document attached to the procedure	<a href="#">COM(2018)0799</a>	07/12/2018	EC	
Preparatory document	<a href="#">COM(2018)0797</a>	07/12/2018	EC	
Legislative proposal	15581/2018	15/01/2019	CSL	
Document attached to the procedure	15579/2018	21/01/2019	CSL	
Committee draft report	<a href="#">PE643.171</a>	13/12/2019	EP	
Amendments tabled in committee	<a href="#">PE646.877</a>	22/01/2020	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A9-0019/2020</a>	29/01/2020	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">T9-0058/2020</a>	13/05/2020	EP	Summary

### Final act

[Decision 2020/865](#)  
[OJ L 202 25.06.2020, p. 0001](#)

## EU/Serbia status agreement: actions carried out by the European Border and Coast Guard Agency in Serbia

The European Parliament adopted by 569 votes to 109, with 13 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Status Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Serbia on actions carried out by the European Border

and Coast Guard Agency in the Republic of Serbia.

Following the recommendation of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs, the European Parliament gave its consent to the conclusion of the Agreement.

The proposed Council Decision aims to approve the Status Agreement between the European Union and Serbia on actions carried out by the European Border and Coast Guard Agency in Serbia as foreseen in the [Regulation \(EU\) 2016/1624](#) on the European Border and Coast Guard.

Regulation (EU) 2016/1624 explicitly provides that, in cases where it is envisaged that European Border and Coast Guard teams will be deployed to a third country, in actions where the team members will have executive powers, or where other actions in third countries require it, a status agreement shall be concluded by the Union with the third country concerned.

The purpose of the Status Agreement is to provide a legally binding framework that should set out the scope of the operation, the rules on civil and criminal liability, and the tasks and powers of the deployed members of the teams. The status agreements should also guarantee the full respect of fundamental rights and should establish dedicated complaints mechanisms to be used in case of fundamental rights violations during these operations.

The Status Agreement with Serbia is one of several similar agreements concluded with the Western Balkan countries. It would allow for joint operations, rapid border interventions and/or return operations to take place on the territory of Serbia with the involvement of the Agency. The return operations would relate solely to third country nationals being returned from the European Union to Serbia.