


Procedure file

Basic information	
ACI - Interinstitutional agreement procedure	1995/2008(ACI)
Interinstitutional agreements on comitology and on exercising the right of inquiry (codecision)	Procedure completed
Subject	8.40.10 Interinstitutional relations, subsidiarity, proportionality, comitology

Key players	
European Parliament	
Council of the European Union	

Key events			
02/05/1994	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
19/12/1994	Non-legislative basic document published	1995Y1108	
20/12/1994	End of procedure in Parliament		
11/01/1995	Vote in committee		Summary
10/01/1995	Committee report tabled for plenary	A4-0003/1995	
18/01/1995	Debate in Parliament		
18/01/1995	Decision by Parliament	T4-0006/1995	Summary
20/02/1995	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1995/2008(ACI)
Procedure type	ACI - Interinstitutional agreement procedure
Procedure subtype	Interinstitutional agreement
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 148
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	INST/3/05576

Documentation gateway					
Document attached to the procedure		SEC(1994)0645	19/04/1994	EC	Summary
Non-legislative basic document		1995Y1108	20/12/1994	OS	

		OJ C 293 08.11.1995, p. 0001			
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A4-0003/1995 OJ C 043 20.02.1995, p. 0017	11/01/1995	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T4-0006/1995 OJ C 043 20.02.1995, p. 0030-0037	18/01/1995	EP	Summary

Interinstitutional agreements on comitology and on exercising the right of inquiry (codecision)

This modus vivendi between the European Parliament and the Commission contains guidelines designed to overcome difficulties which have arisen with codecision arrangements (Article 189 B of the Treaty) for reasons relating to comitology, pending a longer-term solution to this problem. Basically, the modus vivendi contains three key elements: - substantial improvements to the informal information and consultation procedure by the Commission. The Commission will send all draft executive acts of a general nature within the framework of legislation subject to codecision to the European Parliament and the committee of experts at the same time; - a Council consultation procedure if a draft measure is referred to the Council presidium due to a dispute between the committee of experts and the Commission; - a conciliation procedure between the European Parliament and the Council in the event that Parliament refuses its assent. The modus vivendi also states that the comitology problem will be reviewed at the 1996 intergovernmental conference. In the meantime, the modus vivendi will do nothing to prejudice the positions of principle laid down by the three institutions.?

Interinstitutional agreements on comitology and on exercising the right of inquiry (codecision)

The Committee on Institutional Affairs adopted the report on a modus vivendi between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission with regard to comitology issues. The report called on the European Parliament to approve the modus vivendi, which represented a pragmatic and temporary approach to tackling the problems that arose when applying the procedure laid down in Article 189b, on the understanding that a definitive and fully democratic solution to these problems should be agreed during the 1996 Intergovernmental Conference. ?

Interinstitutional agreements on comitology and on exercising the right of inquiry (codecision)

The European Parliament adopted the modus vivendi between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission with regard to comitology issues. The European Parliament felt that this modus vivendi represented a pragmatic and temporary approach to tackling the problems that arose when applying the procedure laid down in Article 189b, on the understanding that a definitive and fully democratic solution to these problems should be agreed during the 1996 Intergovernmental Conference. ?