

# **EC/Switzerland/Liechtenstein agreement: protocol to the EC/Switzerland agreement on the criteria to determine the state responsible for the examination of an asylum application, participation of Denmark. Dublin Convention on Eurodac**

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The European Parliament adopted, by 614 votes to 13 with 49 abstentions, under the consultation procedure, a legislative resolution approving the proposal for a Council decision on the conclusion of a Protocol between the European Community, Switzerland and Liechtenstein to the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation concerning the criteria and mechanisms for establishing the State responsible for examining a request for asylum lodged in a Member State, in Switzerland or Liechtenstein. The report had been tabled for consideration in plenary by Ewa **KLAMT** (EPP-ED, DE) on behalf of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs.

Parliament approved the conclusion of the Protocol but felt that this proposal required the **assent**, and not merely a **consultation**, of the European Parliament. It amended the legal basis of the proposal from the first subparagraph of Article 300 (3) to the second subparagraph of Article 300 (3). Parliament indicated that it reserves the right to defend the prerogatives as conferred by the Treaty to the European Parliament in this matter.