EU/Brazil Agreement: civil aviation safety

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PURPOSE: to conclude an Agreement between the EU and Brazil on civil aviation safety.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

BACKGROUND: the Commission negotiated, on behalf of the European Union, an Agreement on civil aviation safety with the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil in accordance with the Council Decision of 9 October 2009 authorising the Commission to open negotiations.

The Agreement was signed on 14 July 2010, subject to its conclusion at a later stage.

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

IMPACT ASSESSMENT: no impact assessment was carried out.

LEGAL BASES: Articles 100(2) and 207(4) in conjunction with Article 218(6)(a) and the first subparagraph of Article 218(8) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU (TFEU).

CONTENT: under this proposed Decision, the Agreement between the EU and Brazil on civil aviation safety is hereby approved on behalf of the Union.

This Agreement lays down procedural arrangements for the participation of the Union in the joint bodies established by the Agreement, as well as for the adoption of certain decisions concerning, in particular, the amendment of the Agreement and its Annexes, the addition of new annexes, the termination of individual annexes, consultations and dispute resolution and the adoption of safeguard measures.

The text of the Agreement is attached to the present Decision. For more details, please refer to the summary of the document annexed to the procedure dated 29 June 2010.

It should be noted that the Member States should take the necessary measures in order to ensure that their bilateral agreements with Brazil on the same subject are terminated as of the date of the entry into force of the Agreement.

BUDGETARY IMPLICATION: this proposal has no implications for the EU budget.