EU/ACP Agreement: second revision of the EC /African, Caribbean and Pacific States' 2000 Cotonou Partnership Agreement

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The European Parliament adopted a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Agreement amending for the second time the Partnership Agreement between the members of the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States, of the one part, and the European Community and its Member States, of the other part, signed in Cotonou on 23 June 2000, as first amended in Luxembourg on 25 June 2005.

The European Parliament gives its consent to the conclusion of the Agreement **but it expresses its strongest reservations about parts of the Agreement which do not reflect the position of the European Parliament and the values of the Union**.

Parliament urges all parties to revise the unsatisfactory clauses accordingly during a third revision of the Agreement and to **include an explicit mention of non-discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation** within Article 8(4) (non-discrimination clause in policy dialogue) of the Agreement.