Budapest Convention (2005) on the Contract for the Carriage of Goods by Inland Waterways (CMNI): authorisation for Austria, Belgium and Poland to ratify or accede

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The European Parliament adopted by 670 votes to 22, with 5 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision authorising the Kingdom of Belgium and the Republic of Poland, respectively, to ratify, and the Republic of Austria to accede to the Budapest Convention on the Contract for the Carriage of Goods by Inland Waterways (CMNI).

In line with the recommendation by the Committee on Legal Affairs, Parliament **gave its consent to the draft Council decision** authorising Belgium and Poland, respectively, to ratify, and Austria to accede to the Budapest Convention on the Contract for the Carriage of Goods by Inland Waterways.

The Budapest Convention on the Contract for the Carriage of Goods by Inland Waterways was adopted by a diplomatic conference organised jointly by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine and the Danube Commission in collaboration with the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, and entered into force on 1 April 2005. It contributes to the internal market in the field of transport by harmonising contracts and inland navigation standards across Europe.