

Hague Convention (1980) on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction: accession of Peru, acceptance by Austria and Romania

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The European Parliament adopted by 641 votes to 3, with 7 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the proposal for a Council decision authorising the Republic of Austria and Romania to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of Peru to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction.

In line with the recommendation made by Committee on Legal Affairs, Parliament **approved, without amendment, the authorisation** for the Republic of Austria and Romania to accept, in the interest of the European Union, the accession of Peru to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction.

In brief, the EU now has exclusive external competence in this field as confirmed by the Court of Justice in Opinion 1/13 of 14 October 2014. Following the accession of Peru to the Convention, a Council decision is therefore necessary to authorise the two Member States, Austria and Romania, who have not yet accepted the accession of Peru to do so.