

# EU/Korea Framework Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

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**PURPOSE:** to approve, on behalf of the Union and the Member States, the Protocol to the Framework Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, on the one hand, and the Republic of Korea, on the other hand, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

**NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT:** Council Decision (EU) 2018/1041 on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of a Protocol to the Framework Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, on the one part, and the Republic of Korea, on the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

**CONTENT:** the Council decided to **approve, on behalf of the European Union**, the Protocol to the Framework Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, on the one hand, and the Republic of Korea, on the other hand, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

In accordance with its Act of Accession, Croatia's accession to the Framework Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Korea, of the other part, is to be agreed by means of a Protocol to the Agreement.

On 14 September 2012, the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations with the third countries concerned. Negotiations with the Republic of Korea have been successfully concluded and the Protocol was signed on behalf of the Union and its Member States in Brussels on 21 June 2017.

**ENTRY INTO FORCE:** 13.7.2018.