EU/Jordan Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

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The Committee on Transport and Tourism adopted the report by Keith TAYLOR (Greens/EFA, UK) on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union and its Member States, of a Protocol amending the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, of the other part, to take into account the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia.

The committee recommended that the European Parliament **give its consent** to the conclusion of the protocol.

The Euro-Mediterranean Air Services Agreement between the European Union, its Member States and Jordan was signed on 15 December 2010. It opens up the respective markets and integrates Jordan into a common airspace with the Union, thus allowing all EU airlines to operate direct flights to Jordan from any EU airport and vice versa for Jordanian carriers. The agreement encourages cross-investment and removes all existing restrictions on prices, routes and flight quotas between Jordan and the EU.

The purpose of the Protocol is to enable Croatia to become a party to the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Jordan, of the other part, and to define the linguistic adaptations to be made to the Agreement by reason of Croatia's accession. The Protocol makes no substantial amendments to the Agreement between the European Union and Jordan.