

EU/Japan Strategic Partnership Agreement

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The Committee on Foreign Affairs adopted the report by Alojz PETERLE (EPP, SI) on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Strategic Partnership Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Japan, of the other part.

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

The purpose of the agreement is to strengthen the overall partnership between the Parties by promoting political and sectoral cooperation and joint actions on issues of common interest, including regional and global challenges. The agreement will contribute to the promotion of shared values and principles, in particular democracy, the rule of law, human rights and fundamental freedoms. It will serve as a platform for closer cooperation and dialogue on a wide range of bilateral, regional and multilateral issues.