# EC/Tunisia Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

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The European Parliament adopted by 608 votes to 6, with 82 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of a Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

Following the recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the European Parliament **gave its consent** to the conclusion of the Protocol.

The Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part, was signed on 17 July 1995. It entered into force on 1 March 1998.

On 14 September 2012, the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations with the third countries concerned by reason of the accession of Croatia to the EU. Negotiations with Tunisia were concluded on 11 May 2018.

By means of this Protocol, Croatia will be incorporated as a party to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Community and its Member States and Tunisia.