EU/USA agreement for scientific and technological cooperation: extension

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The European Parliament adopted by 616 votes to 7, with 23 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision concerning the extension of the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Government of the United States of America.

In line with the recommendation of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy, Parliament **gave its consent** to the extension of the agreement.

A first bilateral agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Government of the United States of America was signed in Washington, DC, on 5 December 1997 and entered into force on 14 October 1998. Since then, the agreement has been renewed four times, in 2003, 2008, 2013 and 2018 for an additional period of 5 years each time. The current agreement is due to expire on 14 October 2023.

It is in the interest of the Union to renew the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Government of the United States of America for a further period of five years. The content of the agreement will be identical to that of the current agreement.