EU/Kenya Economic Partnership Agreement

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The European Parliament adopted by 366 votes to 86, with 56 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Economic Partnership Agreement between the European Union, of the one part, and the Republic of Kenya, Member of the East African Community, of the other part.

Parliament **gave its consent** to the conclusion of the Agreement.

As a reminder, the EU-Kenya EPA contains provisions on:

- trade in goods,

- customs and trade facilitation,

- technical barriers to trade,

- sanitary and phytosanitary measures,

- agriculture and fisheries,

- development cooperation,

- dispute avoidance and settlement,

- and a trade and sustainable development annex.

The text of the EPA includes an undertaking to negotiate new areas to be included in the EPA (‘rendez-vous clause’), including provisions on trade in services, and trade-related rules addressing sustainable development, competition policy, investment and private sector development, intellectual property rights, transparency in public procurement.

The Agreement will be reviewed after five years from the date of its entry into force and every five years thereafter.