

EC/Israel agreement: protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean agreement following the 2004 enlargement

2004/0266(AVC) - 27/02/2006 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : to include the 10 new Member States to the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement concluded between the EU and Israel.

PROPOSED ACT : Council Decision.

CONTENT : according to the terms of Article 6(2) of the Act of Accession of the new EU Member States to the EU, accession of the new EU Member States to the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement is to be agreed by means of a protocol to this Agreement. The same article provides for a simplified procedure, whereby the protocol is to be concluded by the Council, acting unanimously on behalf of the Member States, and by the third country concerned. This procedure is without prejudice to the Community's own competences.

This is the aim of this proposal.

The protocol lays down changes to the agricultural concessions granted to Israel for processed agricultural products.

The text of the protocol is attached to this decision (see Council document 5327/2005).