Basic information

1994/0183(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	Procedure completed
EC/Lithuania agreement: agreement on trade and trade-related matters **Subject** 6.40.02.02 Relations with northern Europe and the Baltic States **Geographical area** Lithuania	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
RELA External Economic Relations	FERRER Concepció (PPE)	07/09/1994

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
AFET Foreign Affairs, Security and Defense Policy	ROUBATIS Yiannis (PSE)	14/09/1994
ENER Research, Technological Development and Energy		
TRAN Transport and Tourism		

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
General Affairs	1989	1997-02-24
General Affairs	1778	1994-07-18
General Affairs	1820	1994-12-19

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
13/07/1994	Initial legislative proposal published	COM(1994)0327	
18/07/1994	Legislative proposal published	08436/1994	Summary
14/09/1994	Committee referral announced in Parliament		

03/11/1994	Vote in committee		Summary
03/11/1994	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0047/1994	
18/11/1994	Debate in Parliament		
19/12/1994	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
19/12/1994	End of procedure in Parliament		
31/12/1994	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1994/0183(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 170 EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 228-p2/3 EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 113
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	RELA/4/05892

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0047/1994 OJ C 341 05.12.1994, p. 0004	03/11/1994	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0155/1994 OJ C 341 05.12.1994, p. 0202-0255	18/11/1994	Summary

Council of the EU

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Legislative proposal	08436/1994	18/07/1994	Summary

European Commission

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Additional information

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act	
Decision 1994/0978 OJ L 375 31.12.1994, p. 0001	Summary

EC/Lithuania agreement: agreement on trade and trade-related matters

1994/0183(CNS) - 18/07/1994 - Legislative proposal

The Council adopted a decision was aimed at concluding an agreement between the European Communities and Lithuania on the liberalisation of trade and the establishment of accompanying measures. This agreement amended the 1992 agreement on trade and economic and commercial cooperation. The liberalisation agreement included the following elements: - a clause on human rights and encouragement for regional cooperation between Baltic countries; - the creation of a free trade area for industrial products: the European Union abolished all customs duties on imports and exports as well as quantitative restrictions from the date on which the agreement entered into force. In return, Lithuania abolished all trade restrictions for most of the products covered by the agreement on the same date, although it maintained restrictions for sensitive products for six years; - trade in textile products was governed by specific provisions. With regard to tariffs, the European Union consolidated the GSP for Lithuania. The quantitative aspects were governed by protocols annexed to the decision; - the concessions granted by both parties for sensitive products, such as agricultural products, processed agricultural products and fisheries products, were dealt with in separate annexes and protocols; - the rules of origin and provisions concerning customs cooperation were brought together in separate protocols; - the joint committee established by the 1992 agreement on trade and economic and commercial cooperation was responsible for administering this agreement. The liberalisation agreement would enter into force on 1 January 1995.

EC/Lithuania agreement: agreement on trade and trade-related matters

1994/0183(CNS) - 18/11/1994 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament approved the conclusion of the agreement.

EC/Lithuania agreement: agreement on trade and trade-related matters

1994/0183(CNS) - 19/12/1994 - Final act

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