Basic information

1995/2050(COS) COS - Procedure on a strategy paper (historic)	Procedure completed
EC/Chile relations: current state of relations **Subject** 6.40.10 Relations with Latin America, Central America, Caribbean islands **Geographical area** Chile	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
RELA External Economic Relations	MIRANDA DE LAGE Ana (PSE)	23/05/1995

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
AFET Foreign Affairs, Security and Defense Policy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	19/07/1995

Council of the European Union

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
05/04/1995	Non-legislative basic document published	SEC(1995)0563	
16/06/1995	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
19/12/1995	Vote in committee		Summary
19/12/1995	Committee report tabled for plenary	A4-0329/1995	
19/01/1996	Debate in Parliament		Summary
19/01/1996	End of procedure in Parliament		
05/02/1996	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1995/2050(COS)

Procedure type	COS - Procedure on a strategy paper (historic)
Procedure subtype	Commission strategy paper
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	RELA/4/06523

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A4-0329/1995 OJ C 032 05.02.1996, p. 0004	19/12/1995	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T4-0032/1996 OJ C 032 05.02.1996, p. 0129-0142	19/01/1996	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Non-legislative basic document	SEC(1995)0563	05/04/1995	
Document attached to the procedure	COM(1995)0232	31/05/1995	Summary

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES1299/1995 OJ C 039 12.02.1996, p. 0025	22/11/1995	Summary

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1995/2050(COS) - 31/05/1995 - Document attached to the procedure

OBJECTIVE: this communication seeks to respond to the demands expressed in December 1994 by the Essen European Council for specific discussions on "putting ideas on the extension of relations with Chile into concrete form", mainly by: . evaluating the current situation and trends and Chile's external relations; . presenting strategic options with a view to extending relations between Chile and the EU. CONTENT: the general evaluation of economic relations between the European Parliament and Chile is positive overall. Cooperation between the EC and Chile over the last three years has accounted for some ECU 50 million in financial and technical aid to help Chile restore its economy and diversify its exports. In this context, the Commission proposes to strengthen relations between the EC and Chile by examining several strategic options, all of which come within the operating framework of the WTO. The options proposed aim to strengthen either interregional relations (within the framework of MERCOSUR) or direct relations between the EC and Chile: . Interregional options: EU-MERCOSUR-Chile: Chile has already applied for associate membership of MERCOSUR (with a view to becoming a full member in the medium term). In this context the Commission proposes: - Option A1: variable speed convergence: Chile's participation in EU/MERCOSUR negotiations would differ depending on the sector at issue (political, commercial, cooperation, investment) and would make provision for Chile's full and immediate political cooperation. At the commercial level, negotiations would depend on progress in Chile's assimilation within MERCOSUR; - Option A2: joint negotiations: if progress in Chile's assimilation within MERCOSUR speeds up, Chile would be included in all negotiations as a full member. . Bilateral EC/Chile options: two options are proposed which build on current bilateral relations: - Option B1: active commercial cooperation: by invoking the open-ended clause in the 1990 framework agreement, extending this agreement and introducing types of trade cooperation (the main option being to increase trade and finalize a conflict prevention procedure and a formal procedure for exchanging information on negotiations between Chile and MERCOSUR and the EU and MERCOSUR); - Option B2: conclusion of a political cooperation and

economic partnership agreement to replace the 1990 framework agreement, the commercial objective of which would be the gradual and reciprocal liberalization of trade, taking account of the sensitivity of certain products and the Community's international obligations vis-à-vis the WTO.

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1995/2050(COS) - 19/01/1996 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

In adopting the report by Mrs Ana MIRANDA DE LAGE (PSE, E), the European Parliament welcomed the Commission communication and endorsed the strategy designed to achieve the final objective of political and economic association between the European Union and Chile through the negotiation of a new agreement including: - stepping up of political dialogue; - strengthening of cooperation on trade and the rules governing trade, so as to pave the way for progressive and reciprocal liberalization of trade in goods and services, taking account of the sensitivity of certain products and in conformity with WTO rules; - promotion of reciprocal investments; - closer cooperation in the fields covered by the current agreement and the extension of cooperation to new sectors. The new agreement should establish an institutional framework for a political dialogue in parallel with the strengthening of the economic and trade dialogue and of the mechanisms for the settlement of disputes. The new agreement with Chile should be accompanied by a substantial increase in financial aid to the country with the aim of promoting industrial and technological cooperation in sectors such as the environment, telecommunications and information technology, and enhancing the role of NGOs in supporting civil society. At the same time, Parliament supported the Union's participation in Chile-MERCOSUR and Chile-Andean Pact regional projects in such fields as infrastructure, agriculture and the environment. With this in view, it considered that a multiannual programme should be drawn up, bringing together aid from the Community budget and loans from the European Investment Bank. Parliament also considered that Chile should take part in a number of specific R&D programmes under conditions already agreed with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe.

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1995/2050(COS) - 22/11/1995 - Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report

In the light of better and consistent information on air transport, the ESC welcomed the Commission proposal but stated that appropriate funding should be agreed and there should be easy access to the collected data. The ESC also welcomed the Commission’s intention to avoid burdening airports and airlines with extra cost and stressed that the Commission should consider excluding air taxi services from the current definition of non-scheduled services. The ESC asked that the European Parliament and itself be provided with a copy of the report provided for in Article 8.