Basic information

1997/0281(AVC) AVC - Assent procedure (historic)	Procedure completed
EC/Mexico agreement: interim agreement on trade, implementing economic partnership and cooperation agreement **Subject** 6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations 6.40.10 Relations with Latin America, Central America, Caribbean islands **Geographical area** Mexico	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
RELA External Economic Relations	MIRANDA DE LAGE Ana (PSE)	25/07/1996

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
AFET Foreign Affairs, Security and Defense Policy	SALAFRANCA SÁNCHEZ-NEYRA José Ignacio (PPE)	09/12/1997
DEVE Development and Cooperation		

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
General Affairs	2111	1998-06-29
General Affairs	2057	1997-12-08

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
21/10/1997	Legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0525	Summary
16/01/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
23/04/1998	Vote in committee		Summary
23/04/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0156/1998	

12/05/1998	Debate in Parliament		
29/06/1998	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
29/06/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		
13/08/1998	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1997/0281(AVC)
Procedure type	AVC - Assent procedure (historic)
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legal basis	EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 228-p2/3-a2
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	RELA/4/09671

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0156/1998 OJ C 167 01.06.1998, p. 0003	23/04/1998	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0269/1998 OJ C 167 01.06.1998, p. 0079-0099	13/05/1998	Summary

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Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	11619/1/1997	05/03/1998	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	11620/1/1997	05/03/1998	

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(1997)0525 OJ C 356 22.11.1997, p. 0028	21/10/1997	Summary

Additional information

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act

Decision 1998/0504
OJ L 226 13.08.1998, p. 0024

Summary

EC/Mexico agreement: interim agreement on trade, implementing economic partnership and cooperation agreement

1997/0281(AVC) - 29/06/1998 - Final act

OBJECTIVE: conclusion of an interim agreement on trade and trade-related matters between the Community and Mexico. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Decision 98/504/EC concerning the conclusion of the interim agreement on trade and trade-related matters between the European Community, of the one part, and the United Mexican States, of the other part. SUBSTANCE: The interim agreement aims to speed up implementation of the provisions on trade and trade-related matters of the Economic Partnership, Political Coordination and Cooperation Agreement signed in Brussels on 8 December 1997 between the Community and its Member States and Mexico (AVC97289). Numerous unilateral and bilateral declarations have been added to help interpret the agreement, in particular with regard to: - respect for the 'human rights' clause in the agreement, by Mexico, - application of European competition rules and certain international conventions on intellectual property, by the Community, - respect for certain international rules with regard to fisheries and maritime transport, by both parties. Early implementation of this agreement will enable both parties to begin negotiations with a view to implementing as soon as possible the liberalisation of trade which is the aim of the main agreement. A declaration annexed to the agreement describes the procedure which will lead to the conclusion of these negotiations and of the timetable for liberalisation of trade in goods and services which is linked to it. In the short term, the joint council and committee for managing the agreement and concluding the liberalisation negotiations will be established. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 1.07.1998

EC/Mexico agreement: interim agreement on trade, implementing economic partnership and cooperation agreement

1997/0281(AVC) - 21/10/1997 - Legislative proposal

OBJECTIVE: conclusion of an interim trade agreement and accompanying measures between the Community and its Member States, of the one part, and Mexico, of the other part. SUBSTANCE: the aim of the proposal is the adoption of an interim agreement to speed up the implementation of the trade and associated provisions of the agreement on trading partnership, political coordination and cooperation initialled by the Community and its Member States and Mexico on 23 July 1997 (AVC97289) which are the responsibility of the Community. Implementation will allow the parties to enter into negotiations with a view to achieving, at the earliest possible stage, the liberalization of trade as intended by the main agreement.

EC/Mexico agreement: interim agreement on trade, implementing economic partnership and cooperation agreement

1997/0281(AVC) - 13/05/1998 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

In adopting the recommendation by Mrs Ana MIRANDA DE LAGE (PSE, E) Parliament gave its assent to the conclusion of the interim agreement on trade and trade-related matters between the Community and Mexico.

EC/Mexico agreement: interim agreement on trade, implementing economic partnership and cooperation agreement

1997/0281(AVC) - 05/03/1998 - Document attached to the procedure

In a supplementary basic document the Council proposes the text of the Final Act of the Interim Agreement on trade and trade-related matters signed by the parties on 8 December 1997 in Brussels, as finalized by the legal linguistic experts. This text also includes all the joint and unilateral declarations of the parties on: - the interpretation of Article 2 of the agreement (setting a timetable and the arrangements for the gradual bilateral reduction of obstacles to trade in goods and services), - the gradual establishment of the general liberalization of trade, - the interpretation of Article 5 of the agreement on the application of Community rules on fair competition.