Basic information

2000/0346(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	Procedure completed
EC/Bulgaria agreement: participation in the European Environment Agency and the European Environment Information and Observation Network **Subject** 3.70 Environmental policy 6.40.03 Relations with South-East Europe and the Balkans 8.40.08 Agencies and bodies of the EU **Geographical area** Bulgaria	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
ENVI Environment, Public Health, Consumer Policy	JACKSON Caroline (PPE-DE)	12/03/2001

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
AFET Foreign Affairs, Human Rights, Common Security, Defense	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
BUDG Budgets	KUCKELKORN Wilfried (PSE)	27/02/2001
ITRE Industry, External Trade, Research, Energy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Agriculture and Fisheries	2343	2001-04-24
Fisheries	2359	2001-06-18

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Environment	

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
22/12/2000	Initial legislative proposal published	COM(2000)0866	Summary
27/04/2001	Legislative proposal published	07440/2001	Summary
14/05/2001	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
14/05/2001	Vote in committee		Summary
14/05/2001	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0170/2001	
31/05/2001	Decision by Parliament	T5-0288/2001	Summary
18/06/2001	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
18/06/2001	End of procedure in Parliament		
07/08/2001	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2000/0346(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p2/3 EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 175-p1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ENVI/5/14327

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0170/2001	14/05/2001	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T5-0288/2001 OJ C 047 21.02.2002, p. 0013-0100 E	31/05/2001	Summary

Council of the EU

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Legislative proposal	07440/2001	27/04/2001	Summary

European Commission

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Additional information		
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European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act	
Decision 2001/0589 OJ L 213 07.08.2001, p. 0065	Summary

EC/Bulgaria agreement: participation in the European Environment Agency and the European Environment Information and Observation Network

2000/0346(CNS) - 27/04/2001 - Legislative proposal

While awaiting the European Parliament's opinion, the Council reached an agreement on a common view concerning the draft decision concerning the conclusion of an agreement between the Community and Bulgaria on that country's participation in the European Environment Agency and the European Environmental Information and Observation Network. To recapitulate, the Luxembourg European Council of December 1997 established as a principle that, in the framework of the pre-accession strategy, the participation of the candidate countries in the various Community agencies would be dealt with on a case-by-case basis. In this context, the Council authorised the Commission to commence negotiations on 14 February 2000 with the candidate countries in central and eastern Europe, as well as with Cyprus, Malta and Turkey so as to enable them to become involved in the activities of the European Environment Agency. The Commission concluded these negotiations and, in November/ December 2000, signed agreements with all of these countries and presented the relevant draft decisions in t proposal transmitted to the Council and the European Parliament on 22.12.2000 (please refer to the preceding resumé). The draft decision referred to the European Parliament on 24.04.2001 does not differ, in terms of content, from the version proposed by the Commission in December 2000.

EC/Bulgaria agreement: participation in the European Environment Agency and the European Environment Information and Observation Network

2000/0346(CNS) - 18/06/2001 - Final act

PURPOSE: Bulgaria's participation in the European Environment Agency and the European environment information and observation network. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Decision 2001/582/EC on the conclusion of the Agreement between the EC and Bulgaria concerning Bulgaria's participation in the European Environment Agency and the European environment information and observation network. CONTENT: Negotiations have been concluded by all 13 candidate countries regarding their participation in the EEA and the European environment information and observation network. The agreements state that the countries in question will take part in the Agency's work programme and meet the obligations of the Agency Regulation. They will need to establish an infrastructure for providing uniform environmental data on the state of the environment in their territory. Each country will contribute financially to the Agency to cover the cost of its participation. It is foreseen that these countries will be fully integrated in all Agency activities after a three-year phase-in period. The financial contribution is foreseen to increase during this three- year period. The candidate countries can obtain financial assistance from the relevant Community assistance programmes to subsidise 75%, 65% and, in the third year, 50% of their membership fees to the Agency. As from the fourth year, all countries will have to cover the full cost of their participation in the Agency. When the full work programme is implemented, the total yearly financial contribution from all the countries to the Agency will amount to EUR 8.82 million. ENTRY INTO FORCE: The Agreement is to be approved by the Parties on accordance with their own procedures. It shall enter into force on the first day of the second month following the date on which the last Party has delivered to the first Party that its procedures have been completed.

EC/Bulgaria agreement: participation in the European Environment Agency and the European Environment Information and Observation Network

2000/0346(CNS) - 22/12/2000 - Initial legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to present a proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Bulgaria concerning Bulgaria's participation in the European Environmental Agency and the European Environmental Information and Observation Network. CONTENT: Negotiations have been concluded and agreement reached with all 13 candidate countries for their participation in the European Environment Agency on similar conditions as for the non-EU Member States partipants in the Agency. The agreements state that the candidate countries participating in the European Environment Agency will take part in the Agency work programme including meeting the obligations of the Agency Regulation. Candidate countries will have to establish an infrastructure for providing uniform environmental data on the state of the environment in their territory. Each candidate country will contribute financially to the Agency to cover the cost of its participation. It is foreseen that these countries will be fully integrated in all Agency activities after a three year phase-in period. The financial contribution is therefore foreseen to increase during this three-year period. The candidate countries can obtain financial assistance from the relevant Community assistance programmes to subsidise 75%, 65% and in the third year, 50% of their membership fees to the Agency. As from the fourth year, all countries will have to cover the full cost of their participation in the Agency. When the full work programme is implemented, the total yearly financial contribution from all the 13 countries to the Agency will amount to EUR 8.82 million. Against this background, this proposal for a Council decision concerns the adoption of the Agreement between Bulgaria and the Community concerning Bulgaria's participation in the European Environment Agency and the European Environment Information and Observation Network.

EC/Bulgaria agreement: participation in the European Environment Agency and the European Environment Information and Observation Network

2000/0346(CNS) - 31/05/2001 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted, without debate, the report by Mrs Caroline JACKSON (EPP-ED, UK) on the conclusion of the agreement between the EU and Bulgaria regarding its participation in the European Environment Agency and the European Environment Information and Observation Network.