

Basic information	
<p><b>2002/0062(CNS)</b></p> <p>CNS - Consultation procedure Decision</p>	Procedure completed
<p>Biosafety: transfer, handling and use of living modified organisms, Cartagena Protocol</p> <p>See also <a href="#">2012/0120(NLE)</a></p> <p><b>Subject</b></p> <p>3.10.09.06 Agro-genetics, GMOs 3.50.08 New technologies; biotechnology 3.70 Environmental policy 3.70.01 Protection of natural resources: fauna, flora, nature, wildlife, countryside; biodiversity 3.70.20 Sustainable development 4.20 Public health 6.20 Common commercial policy in general</p>	

Key players				
European Parliament	<b>Committee responsible</b>		<b>Rapporteur</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
	<b>ENVI</b>	Environment, Public Health, Consumer Policy	SJÖSTEDT Jonas (GUE /NGL)	27/03/2002
	<b>Committee for opinion</b>		<b>Rapporteur for opinion</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
	<b>JURI</b>	Legal Affairs and Internal Market	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	<b>ITRE</b>	Industry, External Trade, Research, Energy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	Council of the European Union	<b>Council configuration</b>		<b>Meetings</b>
Environment		2439	2002-06-25	
European Commission	<b>Commission DG</b>		<b>Commissioner</b>	
	Environment			

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary

13/03/2002	Legislative proposal published	COM(2002)0127 	Summary
13/05/2002	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
23/05/2002	Vote in committee		Summary
23/05/2002	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0185/2002	
11/06/2002	Decision by Parliament	T5-0289/2002	Summary
25/06/2002	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
25/06/2002	End of procedure in Parliament		
31/08/2002	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2002/0062(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Amendments and repeals	See also <a href="#">2012/0120(NLE)</a>
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p2 EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 175-p1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ENVI/5/16042

Documentation gateway				
<b>European Parliament</b>				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">A5-0185/2002</a>	23/05/2002	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">T5-0289/2002</a> OJ C 261 30.10.2003, p. 0029-0097 E	11/06/2002	<a href="#">Summary</a>
<b>European Commission</b>				
Document type	Reference	Date	Summary	
Legislative proposal	<a href="#">COM(2002)0127</a>  OJ C 181 30.07.2002, p. 0258 E	13/03/2002	<a href="#">Summary</a>	

Additional information		
Source	Document	Date

**Final act**

[Decision 2002/0628](#)  
[OJ L 201 31.08.2002, p. 0048-0065](#)

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## **Biosafety: transfer, handling and use of living modified organisms, Cartagena Protocol**

2002/0062(CNS) - 11/06/2002 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

Using its procedure without debate, the European Parliament adopted its resolution drafted by Jonas SJOSTEDT (EUL/NGL, Sw) and approved the proposal by 502 votes in favour, 3 against and 23 abstentions.

## **Biosafety: transfer, handling and use of living modified organisms, Cartagena Protocol**

2002/0062(CNS) - 25/06/2002 - Final act

**PURPOSE** : to approve, on behalf of the Community, the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety. **COMMUNITY MEASURE** : Council Decision 2002/628/EC concerning the conclusion, on behalf of the European Community, of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety. **CONTENT** : the Council adopted a Decision approving the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety on behalf of the Community. The Member States, which must also ratify the Protocol at national level, undertook to take all necessary measures to finalise their ratification procedures as soon as possible. This Decision will enable the European Union - which would like to ensure that as much progress as possible is made with regard to all the major Conventions resulting from the 1992 Rio Conference - to inform the World Conference on Sustainable Development taking place in Johannesburg from 26 August to 4 September 2002 that its ratification procedure has been completed. Finalised in Montreal in January 2000 and linked to the Convention on Biodiversity (CBD), the Protocol is an environmental agreement covering, among other issues, the identification and labelling of living modified organisms (LMOs) and the transboundary movements of such organisms.

## **Biosafety: transfer, handling and use of living modified organisms, Cartagena Protocol**

2002/0062(CNS) - 13/03/2002 - Legislative proposal

**PURPOSE** : the conclusion of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety. **CONTENT** : the promotion of measures at international level to deal with regional or worldwide environmental problems, including the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity, is one of the objectives of the Community's policy on the environment. The Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety was adopted in Montreal on 29 January 2000. It provides a framework, based on the precautionary principle, for the safe transfer, handling and use of living modified organisms resulting from modern biotechnology that may have adverse effects on the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity, taking into account risks to human health and specifically focussing on transboundary movements. This proposal approves the Protocol on behalf of the Community.