Basic information

2003/0158(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	Procedure completed
Counterfeit euro coins: analysis and cooperation **Subject** 5.20.02 Single currency, euro, euro area 7.30.30.10 Action against counterfeiting	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
LIBE Citizens' Freedoms and Rights, Justice and Home Affairs	SCHMID Gerhard (PSE)	22/09/2003

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs		

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
General Affairs	2552	2003-12-08
Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN	2520	2003-07-15

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Eurostat - European statistics	

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
15/07/2003	Resolution/conclusions adopted by Council		
17/07/2003	Initial legislative proposal published	COM(2003)0426	Summary
09/10/2003	Legislative proposal published	13203/2/2003	Summary
20/10/2003	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
04/11/2003	Vote in committee		Summary
04/11/2003	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0377/2003	

18/11/2003	Decision by Parliament	T5-0491/2003	Summary
08/12/2003	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
08/12/2003	End of procedure in Parliament		
12/12/2003	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2003/0158(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	LIBE/5/19920

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0377/2003	04/11/2003	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T5-0491/2003 OJ C 087 07.04.2004, p. 0022-0044 E	18/11/2003	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	13203/1/2003	09/10/2003	Summary
Legislative proposal	13203/2/2003	09/10/2003	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Initial legislative proposal	COM(2003)0426	17/07/2003	Summary

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
ECB	Document attached to the procedure	BCE(2003)0016 OJ C 202 27.08.2003, p. 0031-0032	15/08/2003	
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EU	Implementing legislative act	OJ L 325 12.12.2003, p. 0045-0045	08/12/2003	Summary

Additional information		
Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act	
Decision 2003/0861 OJ L 325 12.12.2003, p. 0044-0044	Summary

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2003/0158(CNS) - 08/12/2003 - Final act

PURPOSE : to formally assign to the Commission the responsibility to ensure the functioning of the ETSC and the co-ordination of the activities of the competent technical authorities to protect the euro coins against counterfeiting. LEGISLATIVE ACT : Council Decision 2003/861/EC concerning analysis and cooperation with regard to counterfeit euro coins. CONTENT : this Decision shall formally assign to the Commission the responsibility to establish the European Technical and Scientific Centre and ensure its functioning and the coordination of the activities of the competent technical authorities to protect euro coins against counterfeiting. In order to ensure the continuity and independence of the protection of euro coins against counterfeiting, the Commission shall be given responsibility for performing the activities of the ETSC and for ensuring the coordination of the competent technical authorities in their actions in this field. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 08/12/2003. The Decision is addressed to the Member States which have adopted the euro as their single currency.

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2003/0158(CNS) - 18/11/2003 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Gerhard SCHMID (PES, Germany) and approved the Council proposal. Parliament also asked to be consulted on the initial Commission proposal. It felt that under Article 10 of the Treaty, Parliament should also have been consulted on the legislative proposal to which the draft decision relates, and that merely notifying Parliament of the basic text diminishes its role in the decision-making process.

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2003/0158(CNS) - 09/10/2003 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : to formally assign to the Commission the responsibility to ensure the functioning of the ETSC and the co-ordination of the activities of the competent technical authorities to protect the euro coins against counterfeiting. PROPOSED ACT : Council Decision. CONTENT : to recall, on 17 July 2003 the Commission submitted to the Council the above proposal in order to give a permanent basis to the existing co-operation between the European Technical and Scientific Centre provisionally established at the French Mint and the Coin National Analysis Centres established by Member States for the purposes of the analysis and classification of counterfeit euro coins. The Commission proposes as a legal basis for this Council Decision Article 123 par. 4 of the Treaty, which does not prescribe consultation of the European Parliament. The Commission suggests, however, to consult the European Parliament on a facultative basis. On 1 October 2003, Financial Counsellors agreed to suggest to COREPER and Council to split the proposal in two separate legal texts, namely : - first a Council Decision based on Article 123 par. 4 in order to give a permanent basis to the European Technical and Scientific Centre and to the Coin National Analysis Centres - secondly a Council Decision extending the applicability of the first Decision to non participating Member States, which Decision would be based on Article 308 of the Treaty. For this last text, obligatory consultation of the European Parliament would become necessary. The above suggested split in two legal texts follows a precedent of 2001, whereby the Council adopted a similar solution, namely in Council Regulation No. 1338/2001 laying down measures for the protection of the euro against counterfeiting (based on Article 123 par. 4 and applicable to participating Member States only) in combination with Council Regulation 1339/2001 (based on Article 308) extending the effects of Regulation 1338/2001 to non participating Member States). COREPER is invited to confirm the approach agreed by Financial Counsellors and the two draft Council Decisions as agreed by Financial Counsellors (attached) and consequently to decide to consult the

European Parliament in this respect. The present proposal is in accordance with the text proposed in July 2003 as far as the content is concerned. It is accompanied by a second text which sets out the principles of the proposed Decision to the countries which have not adopted the euro as a single currency.

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2003/0158(CNS) - 08/12/2003 - Implementing legislative act

PROPOSED ACT : Council Decision 2003/862/EC extending the effects of Decision 2003/861/EC concerning analysis and cooperation with regard to counterfeit euro coins to those Member States which have not adopted the euro as their single currency. CONTENT : In adopting Decision of 2003/861 /EC concerning analysis and cooperation with regard to counterfeit euro coins the Council provided that it is to have effect in those Member States which have adopted the euro as their single currency. It is important that the euro should enjoy the same level of protection in those Member States which have not adopted it and the necessary provisions should be taken to that end. Therefore, Council Decision 2003/861/EC concerning analysis and cooperation with regard to counterfeit euro coins shall be extended to those Member States which have not adopted the euro as their single currency. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 08/12/2003. This Decision is addressed to those Member States which have not adopted the euro as their single currency.

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2003/0158(CNS) - 09/10/2003 - Document attached to the procedure

In accordance with the opinion of 1 October 2003 given by the Council's Financial Counsellors, it has been proposed to extend the principles and objectives laid down in the proposed Council Decision of 17 July 2003 to countries which have not accepted the euro as their single currency. (Please refer to the former initial proposal and the revised initial proposed dated 9 October 2003).

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2003/0158(CNS) - 17/07/2003 - Initial legislative proposal

PURPOSE : to present a proposal for a Council Decision concerning the cooperation with regard to counterfeit euro coins. CONTENT : to recall, Council Regulation 1338/2001/EC laying down measures necessary for the protection of the euro against counterfeiting provides for the analysis and classification of counterfeiting coins by the Coin National Analysis Centre (CNAC) in each of the Member States and by the European Technical Analysis and Scientific Centre (ETSC). The Commission has provided, since the year 2000, the framework for the co-ordination of the relevant actions of those technical authorities. Since 2001, the ETSC has been carrying out its tasks on a temporary basis at the French Mint with administrative support and management provided by the Commission. The aim of the proposed Council Decision is to formally assign to the Commission responsibility to ensure the functioning of the ETSC and the co-ordination of the activities of the competent technical authorities to protect the euro against counterfeiting.