Basic information

2003/0195(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	Procedure completed
United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organised Crime, 2000 See also 2003/0196(CNS) See also 2003/0197(CNS) See also 2013/0083(NLE) **Subject** 7.30.30 Action to combat crime 7.30.30.06 Action to combat economic fraud and corruption	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
LIBE Citizens' Freedoms and Rights, Justice and Home Affairs	ROURE Martine (PSE)	30/09/2003

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
FEMM Women's Rights and Equal Opportunities	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Justice and Home Affairs (JHA)	2579	2004-04-29

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Justice and Consumers	

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
22/08/2003	Legislative proposal published	COM(2003)0512	Summary
05/11/2003	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
16/12/2003	Vote in committee		
16/12/2003	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0485/2003	
13/01/2004	Decision by Parliament	T5-0005/2004	Summary

29/04/2004	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
29/04/2004	End of procedure in Parliament		
06/08/2004	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2003/0195(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Amendments and repeals	See also 2003/0196(CNS) See also 2003/0197(CNS) See also 2013/0083(NLE)
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 047 EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 135 EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 095 EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 057
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0485/2003	16/12/2003	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T5-0005/2004 OJ C 092 16.04.2004, p. 0018-0074 E	13/01/2004	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(2003)0512	22/08/2003	Summary

Additional information

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act

Decision 2004/0579
OJ L 261 06.08.2004, p. 0069-0115

United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organised Crime, 2000

2003/0195(CNS) - 22/08/2003 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : to conclude, on behalf of the EC, the UN Convention Against Transnational Organised Crime. CONTENT : In its Resolution 53/111 of 9 December 1998, the United Nations' General Assembly (UNGA) decided to establish a committee charged with elaborating a Convention against transnational organised crime (UNTOC), supplemented by three Protocols: - to prevent, suppress and punish trafficking in persons, especially women and children (Trafficking Protocol); - against the smuggling of migrants by land, air and sea (Smuggling Protocol); - against the illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition (Firearms Protocol). The UNGA adopted UNTOC, and the Trafficking and Firearm Protocols on 15 November 2004 and opened them for signature. Negotiations on the Firearms Protocol lasted six months longer (until May 2001) and it was adopted by the UNGA. On 12 December 2000, the EC signed three instruments in Palermo, along with all EU Member States. The Firearms Protocol was signed by the EC on 16 January 2002. UNTOC enters into force on 29 September 2003. The three Protocols supplementing the UNTOC have not yet entered into force. They each require ratification by at least 40 States. A regional economic integration organisation cannot ratify the UNTOC (or a Protocol) before at least one of its Member States has already done so. Of the 15 EU Member States, Spain (on 1 March 2002) and France (on 29 October 2002) have already deposited a document of ratification for the UNTOC and the Smuggling and Trafficking Protocols with the UN Secretariat General; the other Member States are still in the process of ratification. Draft Council Decisions on the conclusion of the Smuggling Protocol (CNS/2003/0196) and the Trafficking Protocol (CNS/2003/0197) are submitted in parallel with this. The UNTOC is the first global instrument on the fight against transnational organised crime. It sets a very useful multilateral framework and a variety of important minimum standards for all participating States. Consequently, the EC has a high interest in seeing it enter into force as soon as possible. Completing the process of ratification by the EC sends a clear signal that the Community is committed to the aims of this instrument. The proposal for a Council Decision constitutes the legal instrument for the conclusion of the UNTOC by the European Community, the legal basis for which can be found in Articles 47, 55, 95, 135, 179 and 280 in conjunction with Article 300 TEC. The text of the UNTOC appears in Annex I.

United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organised Crime, 2000

2003/0195(CNS) - 29/04/2004 - Final act

PURPOSE: Conclusion on behalf of the European Community the United Nations Convention against organised transnational crime.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Decision 2004/579/EC.

CONTENT: The Council adopted a decision concerning the conclusion, on behalf of the European Community, of the United Nations Convention against organised transnational crime.

United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organised Crime, 2000

2003/0195(CNS) - 13/01/2004 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Martine ROURE (PES, France) and approved the conclusion of the Agreement.