

Basic information	
<p><b>2006/0048(NLE)</b></p> <p>NLE - Non-legislative enactments Decision</p>	Procedure completed
<p>EU/Morocco Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement</p> <p>See also <a href="#">2007/0181(NLE)</a></p> <p><b>Subject</b></p> <p>3.20.15.02 Air transport agreements and cooperation</p> <p><b>Geographical area</b></p> <p>Morocco</p>	

Key players			
European Parliament	<b>Committee responsible</b>	<b>Rapporteur</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
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Council of the European Union	<b>Council configuration</b>	<b>Meetings</b>	<b>Date</b>
	Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)	2769	2006-12-04
European Commission	<b>Commission DG</b>	<b>Commissioner</b>	
	Mobility and Transport	KALLAS Siim	

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
30/03/2006	Legislative proposal published	COM(2006)0145 	Summary
08/05/2007	Vote in committee		Summary
11/10/2007	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
06/11/2007	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A6-0416/2007	
12/12/2007	Decision by Parliament	T6-0600/2007	Summary
02/12/2009	Additional information		Summary
19/02/2014	Modified legislative proposal published	COM(2014)0104 	Summary
17/01/2017	Amended legislative proposal for reconsultation published	15653/2016	Summary
22/02/2017	Formal reconsultation of Parliament		
12/10/2017	Vote in committee		
16/10/2017	Committee report tabled for plenary, reconsultation	A8-0303/2017	Summary
24/10/2017	Decision by Parliament	T8-0386/2017	Summary
22/01/2018	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
22/01/2018	End of procedure in Parliament		
31/01/2018	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2006/0048(NLE)
Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
Procedure subtype	Consent by Parliament
Legislative instrument	Decision
Amendments and repeals	See also <a href="#">2007/0181(NLE)</a>
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 218-p7 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 218-p6a Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 100-p2
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	TRAN/8/09351 TRAN/6/35495

Documentation gateway				
European Parliament				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary

Committee draft report		<a href="#">PE382.507</a>	19/03/2007	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">A6-0416/2007</a>	06/11/2007	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">T6-0600/2007</a>	12/12/2007	<a href="#">Summary</a>
Committee draft report		<a href="#">PE610.572</a>	14/09/2017	
Committee final report tabled for plenary, reconsultation		<a href="#">A8-0303/2017</a>	16/10/2017	<a href="#">Summary</a>
Text adopted by Parliament after reconsultation		<a href="#">T8-0386/2017</a>	24/10/2017	<a href="#">Summary</a>

#### Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Supplementary legislative basic document	<a href="#">12041/2006</a>	20/11/2006	<a href="#">Summary</a>
Supplementary legislative basic document	<a href="#">14541/2006</a>	20/11/2006	<a href="#">Summary</a>
Amended legislative proposal for reconsultation	<a href="#">15653/2016</a>	17/01/2017	<a href="#">Summary</a>

#### European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	<a href="#">COM(2006)0145</a> 	30/03/2006	<a href="#">Summary</a>
Modified legislative proposal	<a href="#">COM(2014)0104</a> 	19/02/2014	<a href="#">Summary</a>

#### Additional information

Source	Document	Date
National parliaments	<a href="#">IPEX</a>	
European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>	

#### Final act

<a href="#">Decision 2018/0146</a> <a href="#">OJ L 026 31.01.2018, p. 0004</a>	<a href="#">Summary</a>
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## EU/Morocco Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement

2006/0048(NLE) - 19/02/2014 - Modified legislative proposal

The Commission has negotiated, on behalf of the Union, the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Kingdom of Morocco, of the other part.

The Agreement was signed on 12 December 2006 and the ratification process by all Member States was completed on 13 January 2014.

This proposal concerns a **modification of the Commission proposal** submitted to the Council in 2006 (please refer to the summary of the legislative proposal published on 03/06/2006).

The intention of the present amended proposal is to align the title of the act proposed and its enacting terms to the provisions of the Treaties.

In order to ease examination by the Council, the whole of the relevant text is submitted as amended proposal.

## EU/Morocco Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement

2006/0048(NLE) - 30/03/2006 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : signature, provisional application and conclusion of the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, on the one hand, and the Kingdom of Morocco, on the other hand.

PROPOSED ACT : Council Decision.

CONTENT : the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and the Kingdom of Morocco has been negotiated under a mandate received from the Council in December 2004. Based on the negotiating directives of the mandate, the text of the Morocco agreement was agreed ad referendum at the final negotiating round on 14 December 2005 on the occasion of the first Euromed conference of Transport Ministers held in Marrakech on 15 December 2005. The signature of the agreement is foreseen for the first half of 2006.

Due to the advance status of the relationship between Morocco and the European Union, the Morocco agreement will result in the seamless integration of the Moroccan transport market into the single European market through a two-stage approach, always based on the three pillars of the aviation external policy: regulatory convergence (integration of the EC aviation regulations, participation in the Single European Sky) assorted with targeted technical assistance (through instruments such as the PAST), leading to the highest possible degree of market opening. This would result in an unrestricted commercial environment where operators are free to take commercial decisions, and where they operate under the highest standards in the areas of aviation safety, aviation security, environmental and consumer protection.

## EU/Morocco Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement

2006/0048(NLE) - 20/11/2006 - Supplementary legislative basic document

This document presents the final version of the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States of the one part and the Kingdom of Morocco of the other part. No amendments have been made to the body of the text.

To recall, the Agreement aims to:

- promote an international aviation system based on fair competition among air carriers in the marketplace with minimum government interference and regulation;
- make it possible for air carriers to offer the travelling and shipping public competitive prices and services in open markets;
- have all sectors of the air transport industry, including air carrier workers, benefit in a liberalised agreement;
- ensure the highest degree of safety and security in international air transport.

Lastly, it should be noted that the purpose of such an agreement is that it be applied in a progressive but integral way, and that a suitable mechanism can ensure ever closer harmonisation with Community legislation.

## EU/Morocco Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement

2006/0048(NLE) - 12/12/2007 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted a legislative resolution based on the report drafted by Johannes **BLOKLAND** (IND/DEM, NL) and approved the conclusion of the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, on the one hand, and the Kingdom of Morocco, on the other hand.

## EU/Morocco Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement

2006/0048(NLE) - 20/11/2006 - Supplementary legislative basic document

This decision establishes the legal instrument by which the Council and the representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the European Union, meeting within the Council shall sign and provisionally apply the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, on the one hand, and the Kingdom of Morocco, on the other hand.

## EU/Morocco Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement

2006/0048(NLE) - 24/10/2017 - Text adopted by Parliament after reconsultation

The European Parliament adopted by 511 votes to 112, with 40 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Kingdom of Morocco, of the other part.

Following the recommendation of its Committee on Transport and Tourism, the European Parliament **gave its consent to the conclusion of the agreement**.

As a reminder, this agreement aims to open markets and to move towards the alignment of aviation legislation on both sides, in particular around key aspects of European rules on aviation, including those concerning safety, economic regulation and, in particular, competition, air traffic control and consumer protection. It also contains provisions concerning bilateral investment on both sides of the Mediterranean.

## EU/Morocco Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement

2006/0048(NLE) - 16/10/2017 - Committee final report tabled for plenary, reconsultation

The Committee on Transport and Tourism adopted the report by Dominique RIQUET (ALDE, FR) on the draft Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Kingdom of Morocco, of the other.

The committee recommended that Parliament **give its consent** to the conclusion of the agreement.

Negotiations began in May 2005 and the agreement was signed on 12 December 2006 on the condition that it would be concluded at a later date. Parliament gave its consent for the conclusion of the agreement on 12 December 2007.

The ratification process was completed by all the Member States, with the exception of Bulgaria, Romania and Croatia, in 2014

On 19 February 2014, the Commission presented an amended proposal for a Council decision on the conclusion of the Agreement, in order to take account of the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon and the fact that Bulgaria, Croatia and Romania had become EU Member States in the meantime. Following its revision, the draft decision includes the legal modifications required by the ECJ case law established in its Judgment of 28 April 2015.

Parliament is **once again being consulted for its approval** on the draft decision to conclude the Agreement on behalf of the Union.

As the explanatory memorandum accompanying the draft recommendation pointed out, the Agreement, applied provisionally since it was signed on 12 December 2006, created new development opportunities for Moroccan and EU companies by doing away with capacity, nationality, frequency or route restrictions.

Since 2006, the opening up of the markets has brought some huge benefits:

- passenger traffic between the EU and Morocco has more than doubled, reaching 12 million passengers per year and an increase of 109% since 2005;
- the services offered and the number of destinations served also significantly increased;
- the average price of the ticket has decreased by about 60%.

## EU/Morocco Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement

2006/0048(NLE) - 17/01/2017 - Amended legislative proposal for reconsultation

**PURPOSE:** to conclude, on behalf of the Union, the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Kingdom of Morocco, of the other part.

**PROPOSED ACT:** Council Decision.

**BACKGROUND:** the Commission negotiated on behalf of the Union and of the Member States a Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement with Morocco. The Agreement was signed on 12 December 2006 pursuant to [Decision 2006/959/EC](#) of the Council and of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the European Union.

The Agreement was ratified by all Member States, except for Bulgaria, Romania and Croatia. It is intended that the latter Member States will accede to the Agreement in accordance with their respective Acts of Accession.

It is now necessary for this Agreement to be approved.

**CONTENT:** the draft Council Decision seeks to **approve, on behalf of the Union, the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement** between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and Morocco, of the other part.

As a consequence of the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon on 1 December 2009, references to "the European Community" in the text of the Agreement are, where appropriate, to be read as references to "the European Union".

In order to ensure **close cooperation** and unity of external representation in the Joint Committee, a coordination on the positions to be taken within the Joint Committee, on behalf of the Union and the Member States, as regards matters falling within the competence of both the Union and the Member States, should take place prior to any meeting of the Joint Committee dealing with such a matter.

The positions to be taken by the Union within the Joint Committee set up under Article 22 of the Agreement, as regards the amendment to the Annexes to the Agreement other than Annex I (Agreed Services and Specified Routes) and Annex IV (Transitional Provisions), shall be **adopted by the Commission, following consultation with a Special Committee appointed by the Council.**

Moreover, it is proposed to delete Articles 2 to 5 of Decision 2006/959/EC. These Articles contain provisions on decision-making by the Council with regard to various matters set out in the Agreement, including the establishment of the positions to be taken within the Joint Committee, and on the information obligations of the Member States, during the provisional application of the Agreement.

Those provisions are either not necessary or their application should be discontinued in view of the judgment of the Court of Justice of 28 April 2015 in Case C-28/12, Commission v Council.

It is therefore appropriate that all those provisions cease to apply at the date of entry into force of this Decision.

## **EU/Morocco Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement**

2006/0048(NLE) - 22/01/2018 - Final act

**PURPOSE:** to conclude on behalf of the Union, the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and Morocco, of the other part.

**NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT:** Council Decision (EU) 2018/146 on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Kingdom of Morocco, of the other part.

**CONTENT:** the Council concluded, on behalf of the Union, **the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and Morocco, of the other part.**

The aim of the Agreement is to open markets between the two parties and includes an extensive alignment of aviation legislation with key parts of the Community rules and regulations, including on safety, economic regulation and in particular competition laws, air traffic management and consumer protection. It also contains provisions for cross-investments on both sides of the Mediterranean.

The Agreement was signed on 12 December 2006, pursuant to [Decision 2006/959/EC](#) of the Council and of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council. The Agreement has been ratified by all Member States, except for Bulgaria, Romania and Croatia. It is intended that the latter Member States will accede to the Agreement in accordance with their respective Acts of Accession.

The Council Decision states that the positions to be taken by the Union within the **Joint Committee** set up under the Agreement, as regards the amendment to the Annexes to the Agreement other than Annex I (Agreed Services and Specified Routes) and Annex IV (Transitional Provisions), shall be adopted by the Commission, following consultation with a Special Committee appointed by the Council.

**ENTRY INTO FORCE:** 22.1.2018.