Basic information

2006/0063(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	Procedure completed
European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union: Arrangement of the 18 May 2005 between the European Community, Iceland and Norway on the modalities of those states' participation **Subject** 7.10.02 Schengen area, Schengen acquis 7.10.04 External borders crossing and controls, visas 8.40.08 Agencies and bodies of the EU **Geographical area** Iceland Norway	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
LIBE Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	CAVADA Jean-Marie (ALDE)	01/06/2006

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
AFET Foreign Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
General Affairs	2755	2006-10-17
Justice and Home Affairs (JHA)	2781	2007-02-15

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Justice and Consumers	FRATTINI Franco

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
26/04/2006	Legislative proposal published	COM(2006)0178	Summary

26/10/2006	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
27/11/2006	Vote in committee		Summary
28/11/2006	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A6-0423/2006	
12/12/2006	Decision by Parliament	T6-0533/2006	Summary
12/12/2006	Results of vote in Parliament		
15/02/2007	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
15/02/2007	End of procedure in Parliament		
20/07/2007	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2006/0063(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 062-p2 EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p2/3-a1 EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 066
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	LIBE/6/36095

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE380.573	24/10/2006	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A6-0423/2006	28/11/2006	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T6-0533/2006	12/12/2006	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(2006)0178	26/04/2006	Summary

Additional information

Source	Document	Date
National parliaments	IPEX	

Final act

Decision 2007/0511
OJ L 188 20.07.2007, p. 0015

Summary

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2006/0063(CNS) - 26/04/2006 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : the signature and conclusion of an Arrangement between the European Community and the Republic of Iceland and the Kingdom of Norway regarding their participation on the “European Agency for the Management of Operational Co-operation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union”.

PROPOSED ACT : Council Decision.

CONTENT : Article 21 of Council Regulation EC 2007/2004 on the establishment of a “European Agency for the Management of Operational Co-operation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union”, specifically states that countries associated with implementation, application and development of the Schengen *acquis* shall participate in the Agency. This provision applies, therefore, to both the Republic of Iceland and the Kingdom of Norway who both concluded an Agreement to apply the Schengen *acquis* in May 1999.

The purpose of this proposed Decision is to implement a negotiated “Arrangement” in which all of the terms and conditions of these two countries participation on the Agency are specified. The following issues are dealt with by the proposed Arrangement:

- the exceptional limited voting rights of Iceland and Norwegian representatives in the Management Board of the Agency;
- Iceland and Norway’s financial contribution to the budget of the Agency (the financial contribution is set out in the Agreement);
- the protection and confidentiality of data;
- the legal status of the Agency in Iceland and Norway;
- the Agency’s liability;
- recognition by Iceland and Norway of the ECJ’s jurisdiction over the Agency;
- privileges and immunities of the Agency and its staff; and
- access for Icelandic and Norwegian nationals to be engaged, under contract, by the Executive Director of the Agency.

In a joint declaration attached to the Arrangement, both countries emphasis that the granting of limited voting rights in no way may be regarded as a legal or political precedent.

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2006/0063(CNS) - 15/02/2007 - Final act

PURPOSE: to conclude an Arrangement between the European Community and the Republic of Iceland and the Kingdom of Norway on the modalities of the participation by those States in the European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union (FRONTEX).

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Decision 2007/511/EC.

CONTENT: to recall, Article 21 of Council Regulation EC 2007/2004 on the establishment of a “European Agency for the Management of Operational Co-operation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union”, specifically states that countries associated with implementation, application and development of the Schengen acquis shall participate in the Agency. This provision applies, therefore, to both the Republic of Iceland and the Kingdom of Norway who both concluded an Agreement to apply the Schengen acquis in May 1999.

This Decision aims to implement a negotiated “Arrangement” in which all of the terms and conditions of these two countries participation on the Agency are specified. The following issues are dealt with by the proposed Arrangement:

- the exceptional limited voting rights of Iceland and Norwegian representatives in the Management Board of the Agency;
- Iceland and Norway’s financial contribution to the budget of the Agency (the financial contribution is set out in the Agreement);
- the protection and confidentiality of data;
- the legal status of the Agency in Iceland and Norway;
- the Agency’s liability;
- recognition by Iceland and Norway of the ECJ’s jurisdiction over the Agency;
- privileges and immunities of the Agency and its staff; and
- access for Icelandic and Norwegian nationals to be engaged, under contract, by the Executive Director of the Agency.

In a joint declaration attached to the Arrangement, both countries emphasis that the granting of limited voting rights in no way may be regarded as a legal or political precedent.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: pending its final conclusion at a later date, the Arrangement has been signed on behalf of the Community on 1 February 2007.

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2006/0063(CNS) - 12/12/2006 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Jean-Marie **CAVADA** (ALDE, FR), and approved the conclusion of the Arrangement between the EC and Iceland and Norway on the modalities of those states' participation in the European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the EU Member States.