Basic information

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Use of information technology for customs purposes: accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the Convention **Subject** 7.30.02 Customs cooperation	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
LIBE Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	CAVADA Jean-Marie (ALDE)	11/06/2007

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
IMCO Internal Market and Consumer Protection	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Justice and Home Affairs (JHA)	2827	2007-11-08

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Justice and Consumers	FRATTINI Franco

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
25/04/2007	Legislative proposal published	COM(2007)0211	Summary
21/06/2007	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
27/06/2007	Vote in committee		Summary
28/06/2007	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A6-0265/2007	
10/07/2007	Decision by Parliament	T6-0297/2007	Summary
10/07/2007	Results of vote in Parliament		

08/11/2007	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
08/11/2007	End of procedure in Parliament		
24/11/2007	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2007/0079(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	2005 Act of Accession (Bulgaria and Romania) TSA 3-p4
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	LIBE/6/49159

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
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European Commission

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Final act

Decision 2007/0764
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Use of information technology for customs purposes: accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the Convention

2007/0079(CNS) - 10/07/2007 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted the resolution drafted by Jean-Marie **CAVADA** (ALDE, FR), approving unamended the recommendation for a Council Decision concerning the accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the Convention of 26 July 1995, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the use of information technology for customs purposes.

Use of information technology for customs purposes: accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the Convention

2007/0079(CNS) - 08/11/2007 - Final act

PURPOSE: to allow Bulgaria and Romania to accede to the Convention of 26 July 1995 on the use of information technology for customs purposes.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Decision 2007/764/EC concerning the accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the Convention, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the use of information technology for customs purposes.

CONTENT: the 2005 Act of Accession of Bulgaria and Romania introduced a simplified system for the accession of these two countries to the conventions (and protocols) concluded by Member States on the basis of Article 34 TEU (previously Article K.3 TEU) or Article 293 EC.

Article 3(3) of the Act of Accession provides that Bulgaria and Romania accede to these conventions and protocols by virtue of the Act of Accession. Paragraphs 3 and 4 of Article 3 provide that, to that effect, the Council shall adopt a decision in order to determine the date on which these conventions shall enter into force for Bulgaria and Romania, and to make all the necessary adjustments to these conventions required by reason of the accession of the two new Member States (which would include, in any event, the adoption of the conventions in the Bulgarian and Romanian languages, so that these versions can be "equally authentic").

Consequently, in virtue of this Council Decision, Bulgaria and Romania accede to the following texts:

- the Convention of 26 July 1995, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the use of information technology for customs purposes;
- the Protocol of 29 November 1996, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the interpretation, by way of preliminary rulings, by the Court of Justice of the European Communities of the Convention on the use of information technology for customs purposes;
- the Protocol of 12 March 1999, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the scope of the laundering of proceeds in the Convention on the use of information technology for customs purposes and the inclusion of the registration number of the means of transport in the Convention;
- the Protocol of 8 May 2003, established in accordance with Article 34 of the Treaty on European Union, amending, as regards the creation of a customs files identification database, the Convention on the use of information technology for customs purposes.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: the Decision takes effect from 25/11/2007. The dates for entry into force are planned to enable Bulgaria and Romania to accede to the basic Convention and the amending protocols.

Use of information technology for customs purposes: accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the Convention

2007/0079(CNS) - 25/04/2007 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to enable Bulgaria and Romania to accede to the Convention of 26 July 1995 on the use of information technology for customs purposes.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

CONTENT: the 2005 Act of accession of Bulgaria and Romania has introduced a simplified system for the accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the conventions (and protocols) concluded by the Member States on the basis of Art. 34 TEU (previously Art. K.3 TEU) or Art. 293 EC. It is no longer necessary, as in the past, to negotiate and conclude specific accession protocols to these conventions (which would have implied ratification by 27 States): Article 3(3) of the Act provides simply that Bulgaria and Romania accede to these conventions and protocols by virtue of the Act of Accession.

Article 3(3) and 3(4) of the Act of Accession provide that, to that effect, the Council shall adopt a decision in order to determine the date on which these conventions shall enter into force for Bulgaria and Romania and to make all the necessary adjustments to these conventions required by reason of the accession of the two new Member States (which would include, in any event, the adoption of the conventions in the Bulgarian and Romanian languages, so that these versions can be "equally authentic"). The Council shall act on a recommendation of the Commission, after consulting the European Parliament.

Annex I to the Act of Accession gives the list of the 7 conventions and protocols concerned in the Justice and Home Affairs area.

The list includes in particular:

- the Convention of 26 July 1995, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the use of information technology for customs purposes,
- the Protocol of 29 November 1996, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the interpretation, by way of preliminary rulings, by the Court of Justice of the European Communities of the Convention on the use of information technology for customs purposes,
- the Protocol of 12 March 1999, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the scope of the laundering of proceeds in the Convention on the use of information technology for customs purposes and the inclusion of the registration number of the means of transport in the Convention,
- the Protocol of 8 May 2003 amending, as regards the creation of a customs files identification database, the Convention on the use of information technology for customs purposes.

The present draft Commission Recommendation is intended to make the adjustments required by reason of the accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the aforementioned Convention and Protocols, in accordance with Article 3(4) of the Act of Accession.