

**Basic information**

2007/0241(NLE)

NLE - Non-legislative enactments  
Decision

EC/Israel Framework Agreement: participation in Community programmes. Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement

See also [1995/0276\(AVC\)](#)

**Subject**

6.40.15 European neighbourhood policy

**Geographical area**

Israel

Awaiting committee decision

**Key players**

European Parliament	<b>Committee responsible</b>		<b>Rapporteur</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
	<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">AFET</span> Foreign Affairs			
	<b>Former committee responsible</b>		<b>Former rapporteur</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
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	<b>Former committee for opinion</b>		<b>Former rapporteur for opinion</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
	<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">INTA</span> International Trade			
	<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">INTA</span> International Trade		The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
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Council of the European Union	<b>Council configuration</b>	<b>Meetings</b>	<b>Date</b>
	Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN	2847	2008-02-12
European Commission	<b>Commission DG</b>	<b>Commissioner</b>	
	External Relations	ASHTON Catherine	

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
14/11/2007	Preparatory document	COM(2007)0713 	Summary
05/02/2008	Legislative proposal published	05471/2008	Summary
08/05/2008	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
03/12/2008	Debate in Parliament		
19/10/2009	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
02/12/2009	Additional information		Summary
20/10/2014	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
13/11/2024	Committee referral announced in Parliament		

Technical information	
<b>Procedure reference</b>	2007/0241(NLE)
<b>Procedure type</b>	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
<b>Procedure subtype</b>	Consent by Parliament
<b>Legislative instrument</b>	Decision
<b>Amendments and repeals</b>	See also <a href="#">1995/0276(AVC)</a>
<b>Legal basis</b>	Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 218-p6a Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 217
<b>Stage reached in procedure</b>	Awaiting committee decision
<b>Committee dossier</b>	AFET/10/00014

Documentation gateway			
Council of the EU			
Document type	Reference	Date	Summary

Document attached to the procedure	<a href="#">05468/2008</a>	05/02/2008	<a href="#">Summary</a>
Legislative proposal	<a href="#">05471/2008</a>	05/02/2008	<a href="#">Summary</a>
<b>European Commission</b>			
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Preparatory document	<a href="#">COM(2007)0713</a> 	14/11/2007	<a href="#">Summary</a>

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

## **EC/Israel Framework Agreement: participation in Community programmes. Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement**

2007/0241(NLE) - 05/02/2008 - Document attached to the procedure

This document consists of the final act of the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part, on a Framework Agreement between the European Community and the State of Israel on the general principles governing the State of Israel's participation in Community programmes as was negotiated by Israel and the European Community.

For further details on this Agreement please refer to the Commission's former initial proposal of 14/11/2007).

## **EC/Israel Framework Agreement: participation in Community programmes. Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement**

2007/0241(NLE) - 05/02/2008 - Legislative proposal

This document consists of the final act by which the Council decided to conclude the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part, on a Framework Agreement between the European Community and the State of Israel on the general principles governing the State of Israel's participation in Community programmes as was negotiated by Israel and the European Community (see Council doc. 05468/2008).

The provisions set out in the Agreement are identical to those in the initial proposal (please refer to the summary of the former initial proposal).

## **EC/Israel Framework Agreement: participation in Community programmes. Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement**

2007/0241(NLE) - 14/11/2007 - Preparatory document

PURPOSE: to ensure the participation of Israel in Community programmes.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

BACKGROUND: as part of the European Neighbourhood Policy, the gradual opening-up of certain Community programmes and agencies to the participation of ENP partner countries represents one of many measures designed to promote reform, modernisation and transition in the European Union's neighbourhood.

On this basis, on 18 June 2007, the Council issued directives to the Commission to negotiate Framework Agreements with Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Egypt, Georgia, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Moldova, Morocco, the Palestinian Authority, Tunisia, and Ukraine, on the general principles governing their participation in Community programmes.

The June 2007 European Council reaffirmed the paramount importance of the European Neighbourhood Policy and endorsed a report in which it mentioned the Council directives for negotiating relevant additional protocols, identifying Israel, Morocco and Ukraine as being likely to be the first partner countries to benefit from these measures.

Negotiations with **Israel** have since been completed to the satisfaction of the Commission. The text of the Protocol negotiated with Israel is attached.

**CONTENT:** the purpose of this proposal is to conclude a Protocol aiming to approve a Framework Agreement on the general principles governing Israel's participation in Community programmes. It contains standard stipulations that are intended to be applied to all ENP partner countries with which such protocols are to be concluded. The negotiated text also allows the Parties to provisionally apply the provisions of the Protocol from the date of its signature. This is particularly relevant in the case of Israel. The specific terms and conditions, including financial contribution and reporting and evaluation procedures, regarding Israel's participation in each particular programme should be determined by agreement between the Commission of the European Communities, acting on behalf of the Community, and Israel.

**Financial contribution:** Israel shall contribute financially to the general budget of the European Union corresponding to the specific programmes in which Israel participates. If Israel applies for Community external assistance to participate in a given Community programme on the basis of [Regulation \(EC\) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council](#) laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument or pursuant to any similar Regulation providing for Community external assistance to Israel that may be adopted in the future, the conditions governing the use by Israel of the Community assistance shall be determined in a financing agreement.

**Implementation and provisional application:** the negotiated text allows the Parties to provisionally apply the provisions of the Protocol from the date of its signature. This is particularly relevant in the case of Israel.

The present Framework Agreement shall apply for the period for which the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part, is in force.

This Protocol shall be signed and approved by the Community and by Israel in accordance with their respective procedures. No later than three years after the date of entry into force of this Agreement, and every three years thereafter, both Contracting Parties may review the implementation of this Agreement on the basis of Israel's actual participation in one or more Community programmes.

According to Article 300(3) TEC, the European Parliament will be requested to give its assent to this Protocol.