Basic information

2008/0087(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	Procedure completed, awaiting publication in Official Journal
EC/Ukraine Partnership and Cooperation Agreement: preservation of commitments on trade in services **Subject** 6.20.01 Agreements and relations in the context of the World Trade Organization (WTO) 6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations **Geographical area** Ukraine	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
INTA International Trade	ZALESKI Zbigniew (PPE-DE)	27/05/2008

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	2902	2008-11-10
Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs	2876	2008-06-09

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Trade and Economic Security	MANDELSON Peter

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
28/04/2008	Legislative proposal published	COM(2008)0220	Summary
04/06/2008	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
09/09/2008	Vote in committee		Summary

11/09/2008	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A6-0337/2008	
08/10/2008	Debate in Parliament		
09/10/2008	Decision by Parliament	T6-0468/2008	Summary
09/10/2008	Results of vote in Parliament		
10/11/2008	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		Summary
10/11/2008	End of procedure in Parliament		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2008/0087(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 071-p1 EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p3-a1 EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 080-p2
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed, awaiting publication in Official Journal
Committee dossier	INTA/6/62395

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A6-0337/2008	11/09/2008	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T6-0468/2008	09/10/2008	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(2008)0220	28/04/2008	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	COM(2008)0222	28/04/2008	

Additional information

Source	Document	Date
National parliaments	IPEX	
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

EC/Ukraine Partnership and Cooperation Agreement: preservation of commitments on trade in services

2008/0087(CNS) - 10/11/2008

The Council adopted a Decision approving the signature and **provisional application** of an agreement with Ukraine aimed at preserving the provisions on international maritime transport contained in the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement (PCA) with Ukraine, following its accession to the WTO on 16 May 2008.

The PCA provisions on trade in services will automatically be superseded by Ukraine's commitments under the General Agreement on Trade in Services. These commitments cover the corresponding PCA provisions except for those on international maritime transport, which the new agreement maintains on a bilateral basis.

EC/Ukraine Partnership and Cooperation Agreement: preservation of commitments on trade in services

2008/0087(CNS) - 09/10/2008 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted, by 582 votes to 16 with 15 abstentions, under the consultation procedure, a resolution approving the conclusion of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Community and Ukraine in relation to preservation of commitments on trade in services contained in the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement. The report had been tabled for consideration by Zbigniew **ZALESKI** (EPP-ED, PL) on behalf of the Committee on International Trade.

EC/Ukraine Partnership and Cooperation Agreement: preservation of commitments on trade in services

2008/0087(CNS) - 28/04/2008 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to conclude an Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Community and Ukraine in relation to preservation of commitments on trade in services contained in the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

CONTENT: in accordance with provisions set out in the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement (PCA) between the Community and Ukraine any commitments undertaken under GATS are to supersede provisions contained in the PCA. Having applied for WTO membership, the Ukraine has offered GATS commitments that substantially cover commitments made under the PCA. Once exception to this rule is Article 39 (3), concerning international maritime transport.

On the basis of a Council mandate, the Commission negotiated an agreement with Ukraine (in the form of an Exchange of Letters) preserving paragraph 3 of the PCA. Under the terms of the Agreement the Community would not be required to go beyond its present obligations both under GATS and the PCA.

In presenting this proposal, the Commission is requesting the Council to conclude the Agreement as negotiated.