Basic information

2010/0313(NLE) NLE - Non-legislative enactments Decision	Procedure completed
EU/Switzerland and Liechtenstein agreement: trade in agricultural products (amend. Additional EC/Switzerland/Liechtenstein Agreement) **Subject** 3.10.03 Marketing and trade of agricultural products and livestock 6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations **Geographical area** Liechtenstein Switzerland	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
INTA International Trade	GLATTFELDER Béla (PPE)	17/01/2011

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN	3062	2011-01-18
Agriculture and Fisheries	3120	2011-10-20

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Agriculture and Rural Development	CIOLOŞ Dacian

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
10/11/2010	Preparatory document	COM(2010)0645	Summary
15/12/2010	Legislative proposal published	16209/2010	Summary
07/06/2011	Committee referral announced in Parliament		

21/06/2011	Vote in committee		Summary
24/06/2011	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A7-0248/2011	
13/09/2011	Decision by Parliament	T7-0354/2011	Summary
13/09/2011	Results of vote in Parliament		
20/10/2011	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
20/10/2011	End of procedure in Parliament		
16/11/2011	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2010/0313(NLE)
Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
Procedure subtype	Consent by Parliament
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 207-p4 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 218-p6a
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	INTA/7/04494

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE456.795	04/05/2011	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A7-0248/2011	24/06/2011	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T7-0354/2011	13/09/2011	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	16209/2010	15/12/2010	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	16210/2010	15/12/2010	

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Preparatory document	COM(2010)0645	10/11/2010	Summary

Additional information		
Source	**Document**	**Date**
National parliaments	IPEX	
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act	
Decision 2011/0739 OJ L 297 16.11.2011, p. 0048	Summary

EU/Switzerland and Liechtenstein agreement: trade in agricultural products (amend. Additional EC/Switzerland/Liechtenstein Agreement)

2010/0313(NLE) - 20/10/2011 - Final act

PURPOSE: to conclude an Agreement between the European Union, Switzerland and Liechtenstein amending the Additional Agreement between the European Community and the two countries extending to Liechtenstein the Agreement between the European Community and Switzerland on trade in agricultural products.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Decision 2011/739/EU on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union, Switzerland and Liechtenstein amending the Additional Agreement between the European Community, Switzerland and Liechtenstein extending to Liechtenstein the Agreement between the European Community and Switzerland on trade in agricultural products

BACKGROUND: the Agreement between the European Community and Switzerland on trade in agricultural products entered into force on 1 June 2002.

An Additional Agreement between the European Community, Switzerland and Liechtenstein extending to Liechtenstein, the Agreement between the European Community and Switzerland on trade in agricultural products entered into force on 13 October 2007.

The Commission has negotiated, on behalf of the European Union, an Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the **protection of designations of origin and geographical indications for agricultural products and foodstuffs**, which amends the Agricultural Agreement by inserting a new Annex 12. The EU, Liechtenstein and Switzerland have agreed that the Additional Agreement should also be amended in order to take into account the protection of designations of origin and geographical indications.

The Agreement between the European Union, Switerland and Liechtenstein amending the Additional Agreement should now be concluded,

CONTENT: with this Decision, the Agreement between the European Union, Switzerland and Liechtenstein amending the Additional Agreement between the European Community and the two countries extending to Liechtenstein the Agreement between the European Community and Switzerland on trade in agricultural products is hereby approved on behalf of the Union.

In accordance with this Agreement, the geographical area of the following Swiss GIs that are protected pursuant to Appendix 1 to Annex 12 also includes the territory of Liechtenstein:

- Rheintaler Ribel / Türggen Ribel (PDO)

- St. Galler Bratwurst / St. Galler Kalbsbratwurst (PGI).

ENTRY INTO FORCE: the Decision shall enter into force on 20/10/2011. The Agreement shall enter into force as soon as the necessary procedures have been completed.

EU/Switzerland and Liechtenstein agreement: trade in agricultural products (amend. Additional EC/Switzerland/Liechtenstein Agreement)

2010/0313(NLE) - 10/11/2010 - Preparatory document

PURPOSE: to conclude an Agreement between the European Union, Switzerland and Liechtenstein amending the Additional Agreement between the European Community and the two countries extending to Liechtenstein the Agreement between the European Community and Switzerland on trade in agricultural products.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

BACKGROUND: the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products (Agricultural Agreement) has been extended to the Principality of Liechtenstein. The Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the protection of designations of origin and geographical indications for agricultural products and foodstuffs has amended the Agricultural Agreement by adding Annex 12. Therefore, the Additional Agreement between the European Community, the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein also needs to be amended so that the protection of geographical indications also applies to Liechtenstein.

This is the aim of this Agreement.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT: no impact assessment was carried out.

LEGAL BASIS: Article 207(4), first subparagraph, in conjunction with Article 218(6)(a)(v) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU).

CONTENT: this Commission is proposing to conclude this Agreement between the European Union, Switzerland and Liechtenstein amending the Additional Agreement between the European Community and the two countries extending to Liechtenstein the Agreement between the European Community and Switzerland on trade in agricultural products.

The text of the Agreement is attached to the proposal.

BUDGETARY IMPLICATION: this proposal has no implication for the EU budget.

EU/Switzerland and Liechtenstein agreement: trade in agricultural products (amend. Additional EC/Switzerland/Liechtenstein Agreement)

2010/0313(NLE) - 13/09/2011 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union, Switzerland and Liechtenstein amending the Additional Agreement between the European Community, Switzerland and Liechtenstein extending to Liechtenstein the Agreement between the European Community and Switzerland on trade in agricultural products.

Parliament gave its consent to the conclusion of the Agreement.

EU/Switzerland and Liechtenstein agreement: trade in agricultural products (amend. Additional EC/Switzerland/Liechtenstein Agreement)

2010/0313(NLE) - 15/12/2010 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: the conclusion of an agreement between the European Union, Switzerland and Liechtenstein with a view to extending to Liechtenstein the agreement between the European Community and Switzerland on trade in agricultural products.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

BACKGROUND: the agreement between the European Community and Switzerland on trade in agricultural products entered into force on 1 June 2002. A further agreement concluded between the European Community, Switzerland and Liechtenstein with a view to extending to Liechtenstein the agreement between the EC and Switzerland came into force on 13 October 2007.

The Commission negotiated on behalf of the European Union, an agreement between the European Union and Switzerland concerning the protection of designations of origin and geographical indications for agricultural products and foodstuffs that amended the Agricultural Agreement by adding Annex 12.

The European Union, Liechtenstein and Switzerland agreed that the Additional Agreement should also be amended in order to take into account the protection of designations of origin and geographical indications.

It is therefore appropriate now to conclude the agreement between the EU, Switzerland and Liechtenstein amending the Additional Agreement, on behalf of the EU.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT: no impact assessment was undertaken.

LEGAL BASIS: Article 207(4), first subparagraph, of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), in conjunction with Article 218(6)(a)(v) thereof.

CONTENT: with this proposal, the agreement between the EU, Switzerland and Liechtenstein amends the Additional Agreement concluded between the European Community, Switzerland and Liechtenstein with the purpose of extending the agreement between the EC and Switzerland on trade in agricultural products is approved.

The text of the agreement is attached to the proposed decision.

For further information regarding the content of this agreement, please refer to the summary of the previous initial legislative document dated 10/11 /2010.

BUDGETARY IMPACT: the proposal has no impact on the EU’s budget.