Basic information

2013/0311(NLE) NLE - Non-legislative enactments	Procedure completed
EC/Albania Stabilisation and Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol See also 2006/0044(AVC) **Subject** 6.40.03 Relations with South-East Europe and the Balkans **Geographical area** Albania	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
AFET Foreign Affairs	VULJANIĆ Nikola (GUE/NGL)	26/11/2013
	Shadow rapporteur PACK Doris (PPE) ROUČEK Libor (S&D) SCHAAKE Marietje (ALDE) CORNELISSEN Marije (Verts/ALE)	

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

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Foreign Affairs	3312	2014-05-12
Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN	3271	2013-11-15

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner

	Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations	FÜLE Štefan

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
16/09/2013	Preparatory document	COM(2013)0631	Summary
28/10/2013	Legislative proposal published	14783/2013	Summary
27/02/2014	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
31/03/2014	Vote in committee		
03/04/2014	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A7-0266/2014	Summary
17/04/2014	Decision by Parliament	T7-0445/2014	Summary
17/04/2014	Results of vote in Parliament		
12/05/2014	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
12/05/2014	End of procedure in Parliament		
04/06/2014	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2013/0311(NLE)
Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
Procedure subtype	Consent by Parliament
Amendments and repeals	See also 2006/0044(AVC)
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 218-p8-a2 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 217 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	AFET/7/13805

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE528.010	19/03/2014	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A7-0266/2014	03/04/2014	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T7-0445/2014	17/04/2014	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	14782/2013	28/10/2013	
Legislative proposal	14783/2013	28/10/2013	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Preparatory document	COM(2013)0631	16/09/2013	Summary

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

Final act	
Decision 2014/0320 OJ L 165 04.06.2014, p. 0018	Summary

EC/Albania Stabilisation and Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

2013/0311(NLE) - 16/09/2013

PURPOSE: to conclude a Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: Council may adopt the act only if Parliament has given its consent to the act.

BACKGROUND: on 24 September 2012 the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations with Albania in order to conclude a Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

These negotiations took place on 19 November 2012 and on 10 January 2013. Following further technical clarifications and correspondence, the Albanian authorities signalled their agreement with the draft Protocol proposed by the Commission on 18 June 2013.

It is now appropriate to conclude the protocol on behalf of the European Union.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT: no impact assessment was undertaken.

LEGAL BASIS: Article 217 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, in conjunction Article 218(6)(a) and the second subparagraph of Article 218(8) thereof.

CONTENT: this proposal invites the Council to adopt a decision approving, on behalf of the European Union, the Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

N.B. for the conclusion of the Protocol on behalf of the European Atomic Energy Community, the Commission proposes that the Council gives its approval, pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 101 of the Treaty establishing the EAEC.

Most of the provisions relate to the **new Albanian tariff concessions for agricultural primary products originating in the Community** and on rules of origin.

EC/Albania Stabilisation and Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

2013/0311(NLE) - 28/10/2013 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to conclude a Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: Council may adopt the act only if Parliament has given its consent to the act.

BACKGROUND: in accordance with a Council Decision, the Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union has been signed, subject to its conclusion.

It is now necessary to conclude the Protocol on behalf of the European Union.

LEGAL BASIS: Article 217, in conjunction with Article 218(6)(a)(i) and the second subparagraph of Article 218(8) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) and the Act of Accession of Croatia.

CONTENT: under this proposal decision, the Council is invited to approve, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, the Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

N.B.: the conclusion of the Protocol is subject to a separate procedure as regards matters falling within the competence of the European Atomic Energy Community.

For further details as regards the provisions of this Protocol and its impact on the Union budget, *please refer to the proposal of the Commission's initial legislative proposal dated 16/09/2013*.

EC/Albania Stabilisation and Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

2013/0311(NLE) - 16/09/2013 - Preparatory document

PURPOSE: to conclude a Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: Council may adopt the act only if Parliament has given its consent to the act.

BACKGROUND: on 24 September 2012 the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations with Albania in order to conclude a Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

These negotiations took place on 19 November 2012 and on 10 January 2013. Following further technical clarifications and correspondence, the Albanian authorities signalled their agreement with the draft Protocol proposed by the Commission on 18 June 2013.

It is now appropriate to conclude the protocol on behalf of the European Union.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT: no impact assessment was undertaken.

LEGAL BASIS: Article 217 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, in conjunction Article 218(6)(a) and the second subparagraph of Article 218(8) thereof.

CONTENT: this proposal invites the Council to adopt a decision approving, on behalf of the European Union, the Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

N.B. for the conclusion of the Protocol on behalf of the European Atomic Energy Community, the Commission proposes that the Council gives its approval, pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 101 of the Treaty establishing the EAEC.

Most of the provisions relate to the **new Albanian tariff concessions for agricultural primary products originating in the Community** and on rules of origin.

EC/Albania Stabilisation and Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

2013/0311(NLE) - 03/04/2014 - Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading

The Committee on Foreign Affairs adopted, under the simplified procedure, the recommendation by Nikola VULJANIĆ (GUE/NGL, HR) in which it called on the European Parliament to give its consent to the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of the Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

EC/Albania Stabilisation and Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

2013/0311(NLE) - 12/05/2014 - Final act

PURPOSE: to conclude a Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Decision 2014/320/EU on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of the Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

BACKGROUND: in accordance with a Council Decision, the Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union has been signed, subject to its conclusion.

The conclusion of the Protocol is subject to a separate procedure as regards matters falling within the competence of the European Atomic Energy Community.

The Protocol should be approved on behalf of the European Union.

CONTENT: by means of this Decision, the Council approves, on behalf of the European Union, with the consent of the European Parliament, the Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

Most of the provisions relate to the **new Albanian tariff concessions for agricultural primary products originating in the Community** and on rules of origin.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: the decision enters into force on 12.05.2014. The protocol applies provisionally from 01.07.2013.

EC/Albania Stabilisation and Association Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

2013/0311(NLE) - 17/04/2014 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 496 votes to 21, with 14 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of the Protocol to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Albania, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

Parliament gave its consent to the conclusion of the Agreement.