Basic information

2013/0425(NLE) NLE - Non-legislative enactments Decision	Procedure completed
Arrangement with Iceland on the modalities of its participation in the European Asylum Support Office **Subject** 6.40.01 Relations with EEA/EFTA countries 7.10.06 Asylum, refugees, displaced persons; Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF) 8.40.08 Agencies and bodies of the EU **Geographical area** Iceland	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
LIBE Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	LENAERS Jeroen (EPP)	04/09/2019
	Shadow rapporteur YONCHEVA Elena (S&D) DONÁTH Anna Júlia (Renew) MARQUARDT Erik (Greens/EFA) VISTISEN Anders (ID) URBÁN CRESPO Miguel (The Left)	

Former committee responsible	Former rapporteur	Appointed
LIBE Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs		
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Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
AFET Foreign Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

	DEVE Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	BUDG Budgets	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Former committee for opinion	Former rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
AFET Foreign Affairs		
AFET Foreign Affairs		
DEVE Development		
DEVE Development		
BUDG Budgets		
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Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
General Affairs	3292	2014-02-11

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Migration and Home Affairs	MALMSTRÖM Cecilia

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
10/12/2013	Preparatory document	COM(2013)0875	Summary
18/01/2023	Legislative proposal published	18125/2013	Summary
19/01/2023	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
26/04/2023	Vote in committee		
03/05/2023	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A9-0175/2023	
01/06/2023	Decision by Parliament	T9-0211/2023	Summary

01/06/2023	Results of vote in Parliament		
12/07/2023	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
18/10/2023	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2013/0425(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 078-p1 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 218-p6a Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 074 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 078-p2
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	LIBE/9/00080

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE527.979	29/01/2014	
Committee draft report		PE745.509	30/03/2023	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A9-0175/2023	03/05/2023	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T9-0211/2023	01/06/2023	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	18125/2013	18/01/2023	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Preparatory document	COM(2013)0875	10/12/2013	Summary
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Source	**Document**	**Date**
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act
Decision 2023/2165 OJ L 000 18.10.2023, p. 0000

Arrangement with Iceland on the modalities of its participation in the European Asylum Support Office

2013/0425(NLE) - 01/06/2023 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 613 votes to 15, with 1 abstention, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Arrangement between the European Union and the Republic of Iceland on the modalities of its participation in the European Asylum Support Office.

Parliament **gave its consent** to the conclusion of the arrangement.

The arrangement provides for Iceland's full participation in the activities of the Support Office, its representation in the Support Office's Management Board as an observer and without voting rights, annual financial contributions of Iceland, to the budget of the Support Office by an annual sum calculated in accordance with its GDP as a percentage of GDP of all States participating in the Support Office's work.

Arrangement with Iceland on the modalities of its participation in the European Asylum Support Office

2013/0425(NLE) - 10/12/2013 - Preparatory document

PURPOSE: to conclude the Arrangement with Iceland on the modalities of its participation in the European Asylum Support Office.

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: Regulation (EU) No 439/2010 established the European Asylum Support Office to strengthen practical cooperation between Member States on asylum, enhance the implementation of the Common European Asylum System and support Member States whose asylum and reception systems are under particular pressure.

Accordingly, Article 49 (1) of the Regulation stipulates that the Support Office shall be open to the participation of **Iceland**, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland as observers.

Arrangements shall be made, specifying in particular the nature, extent and manner in which those countries are to participate in the Support Office's work.

The participation of associate countries in the Support Office's work is not only a logical step, having regard to their association to the Dublin system, but also has a clear added value to the Support Office's support offer such as:

- the exchange of best practices and expertise,
- the Support Office's permanent and emergency support,
- the Support Office's information gathering and analysis,
- the Support Office's early warning and preparedness system.

On that basis the Commission presented on 1 July 2011, a recommendation to the Council in order to authorise the Commission to open negotiations with Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, and Liechtenstein on international agreements establishing such arrangements.

The Commission received the Council authorisation to open negotiations with Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, and Liechtenstein on arrangements on the modalities of these countries' participation in EASO on 27 January 2012.

The negotiations were held jointly with all associate countries. Four rounds of negotiations took place.

The final text of the draft Arrangement with Iceland was initialled on 28 June 2013.

It is now necessary to approve the Arrangement on behalf of the European Union.

CONTENT: with this proposed Decision, the Council is called upon to approve, on behalf of the Union, the Arrangement with Iceland on the modalities of its participation in the European Asylum Support Office.

Main provisions of the Arrangement: the draft Arrangement foresees:

- the full participation of Iceland in the activities of the Support Office,
- representation in the Support Office's Management Board as an observer and without voting rights,
- annual financial contributions of Iceland, to the budget of the Support Office by an annual sum calculated in accordance with its GDP as a percentage of GDP of all States participating in the Support Office's work. Iceland accepted provisions concerning a possible increased contribution if the Union contribution is increased.

Institutional provisions: the draft Arrangement foresees the establishment of a committee composed of representatives of the Commission and of the associate countries. For reasons of efficiency, this committee shall meet jointly with the corresponding Committees set up with other associated countries participating on the basis of Article 49 (1) of the Regulation. The committee was not mentioned in the negotiating directives and has been requested by the associate countries in order to allow for an exchange of information and monitor the proper implementation of the Arrangement.

Financial contribution: Iceland shall contribute to the revenue of the Support Office an annual sum calculated in accordance with its Gross Domestic Product (GDP) as a percentage of the GDP of all participating States in accordance with the formula described in Annex I of the draft Arrangement.

Staff of the Support Office: the Staff Regulations of the European Union should apply to nationals of Iceland recruited as staff members by the Support Office. Iceland shall apply to the Support Office and to its staff the Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the European Union as well as any rules adopted pursuant to this Protocol relating to staff matters of the Support Office.

Arrangement with Iceland on the modalities of its participation in the European Asylum Support Office

2013/0425(NLE) - 18/01/2023 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to conclude the Arrangement between the European Union and the Republic of Iceland on the modalities of its participation in the European Asylum Support Office.

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: the Arrangement between the European Union and the Republic of Iceland on the modalities of its participation in the European Asylum Support Office has been signed subject to its conclusion. The Arrangement should be approved.

CONTENT: the purpose of the draft Council is to approve, on behalf of the Union, the Arrangement between the European Union and the Republic of Iceland on the modalities of its participation in the European Asylum Support Office.

The Arrangement provides for Iceland's full participation in the activities of the Support Office, its representation in the Support Office's Management Board as an observer and without voting rights and its annual financial contributions to the budget of the Support Office by an annual sum calculated in accordance with its GDP as a percentage of GDP of all States participating in the Support Office's work.