Basic information

2014/0199(COD) COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Regulation	Procedure completed
EC/Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Stabilisation and Association Agreement: application. Codification See also 2001/0049(AVC) **Subject** 6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations 6.40.03 Relations with South-East Europe and the Balkans 8.20.01 Candidate countries 8.20.04 Pre-accession and partnership **Geographical area** Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
JURI Legal Affairs	DUDA Andrzej (ECR)	09/10/2014
	Shadow rapporteur GERINGER DE OEDENBERG Lidia Joanna (S&D)	

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)	3392	2015-05-28

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Legal Service	BARROSO José Manuel

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
27/06/2014	Legislative proposal published	COM(2014)0394	Summary
11/11/2014	Vote in committee, 1st reading		
15/01/2015	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		

16/04/2015	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A8-0132/2015	Summary
29/04/2015	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	T8-0115/2015	Summary
29/04/2015	Results of vote in Parliament		
28/05/2015	Act adopted by Council after Parliament's 1st reading		
28/05/2015	End of procedure in Parliament		
09/06/2015	Final act signed		
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Technical information

Procedure reference	2014/0199(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Codification
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Amendments and repeals	See also 2001/0049(AVC)
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Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	JURI/8/00673

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE539.751	13/10/2014	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A8-0132/2015	16/04/2015	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T8-0115/2015	29/04/2015	Summary

Council of the EU

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Draft final act	00018/2015/LEX	09/06/2015	

European Commission

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Additional information		
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European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act	
Regulation 2015/0941 OJ L 160 25.06.2015, p. 0076	Summary

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2014/0199(COD) - 27/06/2014 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to codify Council Regulation (EC) No 153/2002 on certain procedures for applying the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part, and for applying the Interim Agreement between the European Community and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

PROPOSED ACT: Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: the European Parliament decides in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure and on an equal footing with the Council.

CONTENT: in the interests of clarity and rationality, the purpose of this proposal is to **undertake a codification of Council Regulation (EC) No 153/2002** of 21 January 2002 on certain procedures for applying

the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part, and for applying the Interim Agreement between the European Community and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

Council Regulation (EC) No 153/2002 has been substantially amended several times. It is recalled that on 1 April 1987 the Commission decided to instruct its staff that all acts should be codified after no more than ten amendments, stressing that this is a minimum requirement.

The Conclusions of the Presidency of the December 1992 Edinburgh European Council confirmed this, stressing the importance of codification.

The European Parliament, the Council and the Commission agreed, by an interinstitutional agreement dated 20 December 1994, that an accelerated procedure may be used for the fast-track adoption of codification instruments.

The new proposed Regulation will supersede the various acts incorporated in it; this proposal fully preserves the content of the acts being codified and hence does no more than bring them together with only such formal amendments as are required by the codification exercise itself.

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2014/0199(COD) - 09/06/2015 - Final act

PURPOSE: the codification of Council Regulation (EC) No 153/2002 on certain procedures for applying the Stabilisation and Association Agreement (SAA) between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part, and for applying the Interim Agreement between the European Community and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Regulation (EU) 2015/941 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 June 2015 on certain procedures for applying the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the former Yugoslav Republic ofMacedonia, of the other part.

CONTENT: Regulation (EC) No 153/2002 has been substantially amended several times. Consequently, in the interests of clarity and rationality, it was decided to codify it.

The Regulation seeks to:

- given that the SAA stipulates that certain products originating in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia may be imported into the Union at a **reduced customs duty**, within the limits of tariff quotas, the Regulation lays down provisions for the calculation of the reduced rates of customs duties;
- allows the Commission, assisted by the Committee established by Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council, to adopt the Regulations **opening up and providing for the administration of the tariff quotas for 'baby beef' products**;
- allows the Commission, assisted by a Committee, to adopt the Regulations opening and providing for the administration of tariff quotas which might be granted as a result of negotiations on **further tariff concessions** pursuant to Article 29 of the SAA;
- provide for the **total suspension of duties** where preferential treatment results in *ad valorem* duties of 1 % or less, or in specific duties of EUR 1 or less;

- stipulate that any **safeguard measures** should be adopted in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and the Council;
- enable the Commission to adopt **immediately applicable implementing acts** where, in duly justified cases relating to exceptional and critical circumstances arising, imperative grounds of urgency so require.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 15.7.2015. Regulation (EC) No 153/2002 is repealed.

EC/Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Stabilisation and Association Agreement: application. Codification

2014/0199(COD) - 16/04/2015 - Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading

The Committee on Legal Affairs adopted the report by DUDA (ECR, PL) on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on certain procedures for applying the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part (codified text).

The parliamentary committee recommends that the European Parliament adopts its position at first reading, **taking over the Commission proposal** as adapted to the recommendations of the Consultative Working Party of the legal services of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission.

The draft proposal is accompanied by an opinion of a Consultative Working Party of the respective legal services. This stated, by common accord, that in the first paragraph of Article 7 of the draft codified text the words "as provided for in Articles 38 and 39 of the SAA" should be adapted so as to read "as provided for in Articles 37 and 38 of the SAA".

As a result, the Consultative Working Party concluded that the proposal is a straightforward codification of existing texts, without any change in their substance.

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2014/0199(COD) - 29/04/2015 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 628 votes to 49, with 19 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on certain procedures for applying the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part (codified text).

Parliament adopted its position at first reading following the ordinary legislative procedure taking over the Commission proposal.

The Consultative Working Party of the legal services of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission concluded that the proposal in question contains a straightforward codification of the existing texts without any change in their substance.

The proposed codification of Council Regulation (EC) No 153/2002 seeks to adopt the application of certain measures of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part (SAA) which was signed in Luxembourg on 9 April 2001 and entered into force on 1 April 2004.

The proposal mainly seeks to:

- lay down provisions for the calculation of the reduced rate of customs duties for certain products imported into the Union originating in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia;
- enable the Commission, assisted by the Committee established by Article 229 of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council, to adopt the Regulations opening up and
- providing for the administration of the tariff quotas for 'baby beef' products;
- provide that the Commission, assisted by the Committee, adopt the Regulations opening and providing for the administration of tariff quotas which might be granted as a result of negotiations on further tariff concessions pursuant to Article 29 of the SAA;
- provide that duties should be totally suspended where preferential treatment results in ad valorem duties of 1% or less, or in specific duties of EUR 1 or less;

- stipulates that the implementation of the safeguard clauses should be adopted in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council (comitology);
- enable the Commission to adopt immediately applicable implementing acts where, in duly justified cases relating to exceptional and critical circumstances, imperative grounds of urgency so require.