Basic information

2014/0236(NLE) NLE - Non-legislative enactments Decision	Procedure completed
EC/South Africa Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol **Subject** 6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations 6.30.02 Financial and technical cooperation and assistance **Geographical area** South Africa	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
DEVE Development	STIER Davor Ivo (PPE)	11/11/2014
	Shadow rapporteur HAUTALA Heidi (Verts/ALE) CORRAO Ignazio (EFDD)	

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
INTA International Trade	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Trade and Economic Security	MALMSTRÖM Cecilia

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
13/08/2014	Preparatory document	COM(2014)0517	Summary
14/04/2015	Legislative proposal published	07657/2015	Summary

20/04/2015	Vote in committee		
27/04/2015	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
28/04/2015	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A8-0146/2015	Summary
20/05/2015	Decision by Parliament	T8-0200/2015	Summary
20/05/2015	Results of vote in Parliament		
20/07/2015	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
20/07/2015	End of procedure in Parliament		
29/07/2015	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2014/0236(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 218-p6 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 217
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	DEVE/8/00994

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE546.704	03/03/2015	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A8-0146/2015	28/04/2015	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T8-0200/2015	20/05/2015	Summary

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Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	13175/2014	06/10/2014	
Legislative proposal	07657/2015	14/04/2015	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	COM(2014)0516	13/08/2014	

Preparatory document	COM(2014)0517	13/08/2014	Summary

Additional information		
Source	**Document**	**Date**
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act	
Decision 2015/1294 OJ L 199 29.07.2015, p. 0006	Summary

EC/South Africa Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

2014/0236(NLE) - 20/07/2015 - Final act

PURPOSE: to conclude an Additional Protocol to the Agreement on Trade, Development and Cooperation between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

NON LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Decision (EU) 2015/1294 on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of the Additional Protocol to the Agreement on Trade, Development and Cooperation between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of South Africa, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

CONTENT: on behalf of the Union and its Member States, the Decision **approves** the Additional Protocol to the Agreement on Trade, Development and Cooperation between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of South Africa, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

In accordance with Council Decision (EU) 2015/733, the Additional Protocol was signed, subject to its conclusion.

ENTRY INTO FORCE : 20.7.2015.

EC/South Africa Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

2014/0236(NLE) - 13/08/2014

PURPOSE: to conclude the Additional Protocol to the Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, 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 South Africa in order to conclude an Additional Protocol to the Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

Those negotiations were successfully completed on 19 May 2014.

In accordance with a Council Decision, the Additional Protocol to the Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, 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 approve the Protocol on behalf of the Union and its Member States.

CONTENT: under this proposal, the Council is called upon to adopt a decision aiming to approve the Additional Protocol to the Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union, on behalf of Union and its Member States.

EC/South Africa Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

2014/0236(NLE) - 13/08/2014 - Preparatory document

PURPOSE: to conclude the Additional Protocol to the Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, 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 South Africa in order to conclude an Additional Protocol to the Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

Those negotiations were successfully completed on 19 May 2014.

In accordance with a Council Decision, the Additional Protocol to the Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, 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 approve the Protocol on behalf of the Union and its Member States.

CONTENT: under this proposal, the Council is called upon to adopt a decision aiming to approve the Additional Protocol to the Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union, on behalf of Union and its Member States.

EC/South Africa Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

2014/0236(NLE) - 14/04/2015 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to conclude the Additional Protocol to the Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, 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 Additional Protocol to the Agreement on Trade, Development and Cooperation between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, 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 for the Protocol to be approved on behalf of the European Union.

CONTENT: under this proposed Decision, the Council is called upon to conclude, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, the Additional Protocol to the Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Croatia to the European Union.

For further details of the other main provisions of the Protocol, *please refer to the Commission initial legislative proposal dated 13/08/2014*.

EC/South Africa Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

2014/0236(NLE) - 20/05/2015 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 623 votes to 29 with 41 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of the Additional Protocol to the Agreement on Trade, Development and Cooperation between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and South Africa, 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 protocol.

EC/South Africa Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement: accession of Croatia to the EU. Protocol

2014/0236(NLE) - 28/04/2015 - Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading

The Committee on Development adopted the report by Davor Ivo STIER (EPP, HR) on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of the Additional Protocol to the Agreement on Trade, Development and Cooperation between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of South Africa, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union.

The committee recommended that Parliament **give its consent** to the conclusion of the Protocol.

The Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement (TDCA) between the EU and its Member States, on the one part, and the Republic of South Africa, on the other part, was signed in Pretoria on 11 October 1999 and entered into force on 1 May 2004. It was revised in Kleinmond (South Africa) on 11 September 2009.

On 1 July 2013, the Republic of Croatia acceded to the EU and became its 28th Member State. The proposed Council decision aims to approve the Additional Protocol to the EU-South Africa TDCA taking account of Croatia's accession to the EU.

The Additional Protocol only aims to make, into the TDCA, the few technical and linguistic adaptations that Croatia's accession to the EU necessitates.