Basic information

2015/0210(NLE) NLE - Non-legislative enactments	Procedure completed
Convention of 26 July 1995 on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests and its Protocols: accession of Croatia See also 1994/0911(CNS) **Subject** 7.40.04 Judicial cooperation in criminal matters 8.70.04 Protecting financial interests of the EU against fraud	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
LIBE Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	ZDECHOVSKÝ Tomáš (PPE)	19/11/2015
	Shadow rapporteur KAUFMANN Sylvia-Yvonne (S&D) VON STORCH Beatrix (ECR) PAGAZAURTUNDÚA Maite (ALDE)	

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
CONT Budgetary Control	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Agriculture and Fisheries	3464	2016-05-17

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital Markets Union	HILL Jonathan

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary

16/09/2015	Legislative proposal published	COM(2015)0458	Summary
08/10/2015	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
25/01/2016	Vote in committee		
01/02/2016	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A8-0019/2016	Summary
25/02/2016	Decision by Parliament	T8-0054/2016	Summary
25/02/2016	Results of vote in Parliament		
17/05/2016	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
17/05/2016	End of procedure in Parliament		
24/05/2016	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2015/0210(NLE)
Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
Procedure subtype	Consultation of Parliament
Amendments and repeals	See also 1994/0911(CNS)
Legal basis	Treaty of Accession of Croatia (2012) J 3-p4 Treaty of Accession of Croatia (2012) J 3-p5
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	LIBE/8/04690

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE571.723	05/01/2016	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A8-0019/2016	01/02/2016	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T8-0054/2016	25/02/2016	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(2015)0458	16/09/2015	Summary

Additional information

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act	
Decision 2016/0815 OJ L 133 24.05.2016, p. 0009	Summary

Convention of 26 July 1995 on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests and its Protocols: accession of Croatia

2015/0210(NLE) - 16/09/2015 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: accession of Croatia to the Convention on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests as well as its Protocols.

PROPOSED ACT: Recommendation for a Council Decision.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: the Council adopts the act after consulting the European Parliament but without being obliged to follow its opinion.

BACKGROUND: the Act concerning the conditions of accession of Croatia to the European Union has introduced a simplified system for the accession of Croatia to the conventions (and protocols) concluded by the Member States on the basis of Art. 34 TEU (previously Art. K.3 TEU). It is provided that the Act of Accession provides that, to that effect, the Council shall adopt a decision in order to determine the date on which these conventions shall enter into force for Croatia and to make all the necessary adjustments to these conventions required by reason of the accession of the new Member State (which would include, in any event, the adoption of the conventions in the Croatian language, so that these versions can be "equally authentic"). The Council shall act on a recommendation of the Commission, after consulting the European Parliament.

The Convention on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests, signed on 26 July 1995 and drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, entered into force on 17 October 2002. It was complemented by the Protocol of 27 September 1996 and the Protocol of 29 November 1996, then by the Second Protocol of 19 June 1997.

CONTENT: under this present proposal, the Commission recommended that the Council adopt a decision concerning the access of Croatia to the Convention on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests as well as its Protocols.

Convention of 26 July 1995 on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests and its Protocols: accession of Croatia

2015/0210(NLE) - 17/05/2016 - Final act

PURPOSE: accession of Croatia to the Convention on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests as well as its Protocols.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Decision (EU) 2016/815 concerning the accession of Croatia to the Convention, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests and to the Protocol of 27 September 1996, the Protocol of 29 November 1996 and the Second Protocol of 19 June 1997 thereto.

CONTENT: the Decision adopted by the Council concerns the accession of Croatia to the Convention on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests and its Protocols.

The Convention, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests was signed on 26 July 1995 and entered into force on 17 October 2002.

Under the Act of Accession of Croatia, it is provided that Croatia shall accede to the conventions and protocols listed in Annex I to the Act of Accession.

The Convention, the Protocol of 27 September 1996, the Protocol of 29 November 1996 and the Second Protocol of 19 June 1997 shall enter into force for Croatia on the first day of the first month following the date of publication of this Decision, that being 1 June 2016.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 25.5.2016.

Convention of 26 July 1995 on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests and its Protocols: accession of Croatia

2015/0210(NLE) - 25/02/2016 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 599 votes to 26, with 26 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the recommendation for a Council decision concerning the accession of Croatia to the Convention of 26 July 1995, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests, as well as its Protocols.

In line with its Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs, Parliament approved the Commission recommendation.

Convention of 26 July 1995 on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests and its Protocols: accession of Croatia

2015/0210(NLE) - 01/02/2016 - Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading

The Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs adopted the report by Tomáš ZDECHOVSKÝ (EPP, CZ) on the recommendation for a Council decision concerning the accession of Croatia to the Convention of 26 July 1995, drawn up on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the protection of the European Communities' financial interests, as well as its protocols.

The committee recommended the European Parliament to **approve the Commission proposal**.

To recall, the 2011 Accession Treaty of the Republic of Croatia has introduced a simplified system for the accession of Croatia to the conventions (and protocols) concluded by the Member States on the basis of Art. 34 TEU (previously Art. K.3 TEU).

Article 3(4) and 3(5) of the Act provides that Croatia accedes to these conventions and protocols by virtue of the Act of Accession.

Article 3(5) of the Act of Accession provide that, to that effect, the Council shall adopt a decision in order to determine the date on which these conventions shall enter into force for Croatia and to make all the necessary adjustments to these conventions required by reason of the accession of the new Member State (which would include, in any event, the adoption of the conventions in the Croatian language, so that these versions can be "equally authentic"). The Council shall act on a recommendation of the Commission, after consulting the European Parliament.