Basic information

2015/0302(NLE) NLE - Non-legislative enactments	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
EU/Afghanistan Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development Accompanying procedure 2015/0302M(NLE) **Subject** 6.40.04.06 Relations with central Asian countries **Geographical area** Afghanistan	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
AFET Foreign Affairs	FOTYGA Anna (ECR)	13/06/2017
	Shadow rapporteur DANJEAN Arnaud (PPE) FRUNZULICĂ Doru-Claudian (S&D) LÖSING Sabine (GUE/NGL) VALERO Bodil (Verts/ALE) CASTALDO Fabio Massimo (EFDD) SCHAFFHAUSER Jean-Luc (ENF)	

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
DEVE Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	23/05/2018
INTA International Trade	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	21/03/2018

Council of the European Union

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner

International Cooperation and Development	MIMICA Neven

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
17/12/2015	Preparatory document	JOIN(2015)0036	Summary
22/12/2016	Legislative proposal published	15093/2016	Summary
15/03/2018	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
22/01/2019	Vote in committee		
25/01/2019	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A8-0026/2019	Summary
12/03/2019	Debate in Parliament		
13/03/2019	Decision by Parliament	T8-0169/2019	Summary
13/03/2019	Results of vote in Parliament		
06/10/2025	Proposal withdrawn by Commission		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2015/0302(NLE)
Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
Procedure subtype	Consent by Parliament
Amendments and repeals	Accompanying procedure 2015/0302M(NLE)
Legal basis	Treaty on European Union TEU 37 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 218-p8-a2 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 209-p1 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 207 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 218-p6a
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Committee dossier	AFET/8/05420

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE629.386	07/11/2018	
Committee opinion	DEVE	PE627.027	22/11/2018	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A8-0026/2019	25/01/2019	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T8-0169/2019	13/03/2019	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	15093/2016	22/12/2016	Summary

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
ECHR	Document attached to the procedure	JOIN(2015)0035	17/12/2015	
ECHR	Preparatory document	JOIN(2015)0036	17/12/2015	Summary
ECHR	Document attached to the procedure	JOIN(2016)0045	22/09/2016	

Additional information

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

EU/Afghanistan Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development

2015/0302(NLE) - 13/03/2019 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 513 votes to 85, with 67 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, of the other part.

The European Parliament gave its consent to the conclusion of the agreement. It also adopted a report containing a non-legislative resolution on the draft Council decision.

EU/Afghanistan Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development

2015/0302(NLE) - 22/12/2016 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to conclude, on behalf of the European Union, the Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development between the European Union and Afghanistan.

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 Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, of the other part, was signed subject to its conclusion at a later date.

The Union and its Member States and Afghanistan are determined to continue and expand their cooperation, to strengthen existing links and to establish a close and lasting relationship based on reciprocity and mutual interest. The agreement must now be approved.

CONTENT: the draft Council decision seeks to **approve, on behalf of the Union, of the Cooperation Agreement** on Partnership and Development between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Afghanistan, on the other hand.

The Agreement contains provisions on **political dialogue and cooperation in a broad range of areas**. It draws on the EU's standard political clauses on human rights and the International Criminal Court, and includes commitments related to the rights of women and children.

The High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy shall chair the Joint Committee established under the Agreement. The Union or, as the case may be, the Union and its Member States shall be represented in the Joint Committee depending on the subject matter.

NB: *For more details on the substantive content of the Agreement, please refer to the summary of the joint proposal of the European Commission and the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, dated 17.12.2015.*

EU/Afghanistan Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development

2015/0302(NLE) - 17/12/2015 - Preparatory document

PURPOSE: to conclude, on behalf of the European Union, the Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development between the European Union and the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

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

BACKGROUND: in July 2011, the Foreign Affairs Council1 expressed its willingness to negotiate an agreement with Afghanistan that would reflect its long-term commitment to the country's development. In November 2011, the Council adopted a Decision authorising the Commission and the High Representative to negotiate a Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development (CAPD) with Afghanistan

After three rounds of negotiations that went on until November 2012, talks were resumed in 2015, with the new Afghan Government. The fourth and final round of negotiations took place in Brussels on 29 April 2015 and was concluded successfully. The two sides **initialled the Agreement in Kabul on 2 July 2015.**

CONTENT: the proposal requires the Council to adopt a decision to approve the Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development between the European Union and Afghanistan.

The Agreement is the **first contractual relationship between the European Union and Afghanistan** and underpins the EU's commitment to supporting Afghanistan's future development during its 'decade of transformation' agreed at the Bonn conference in 2011. The two parties are committed to pursuing and extending their cooperation, to strengthening existing links and to establishing a close and lasting relationship based on reciprocity and mutual interests.

The Agreement includes **provisions on political dialogue and on cooperation** in a broad range of areas. It draws on the **EU's standard political clauses on human rights** and the International Criminal Court, and includes commitments related to the rights of **women and children**. It reiterates the willingness of the parties to address shared concerns, including:

- the fight against terrorism, international crime and illegal trafficking;
- non-proliferation of nuclear weapons, disarmament and nuclear security;
- weapons of mass destruction (WMD);
- small arms and light weapons (SALW) ; and
- counter-narcotics.

The provisions on cooperation cover the following sectors:

- infrastructure development,
- energy,
- transport,
- health,
- natural resources,
- tax,
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- employment and social affairs,
- science and technology, and
- environment and climate change.

The Agreement also emphasises the importance of **legal cooperation** and affirms the parties' commitment to fighting organised crime, money laundering and corruption.

EU/Afghanistan Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development

2015/0302(NLE) - 25/01/2019 - Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading

The Committee on Foreign Affairs adopted the report by Anna Elżbieta FOTYGA (ECR, PL) on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, of the other part.

The committee recommended that the European Parliament give its consent to the conclusion of the agreement. It also adopted a report containing a non-legislative motion for a resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the agreement.

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EU/Afghanistan Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development

2015/0302(NLE) - 17/12/2015

PURPOSE: to conclude, on behalf of the European Union, the Cooperation Agreement on Partnership and Development between the European Union and the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

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

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