

Basic information	
<p><b>2016/0092(NLE)</b></p> <p>NLE - Non-legislative enactments</p> <p>EU/Colombia and Peru Trade Agreement: accession of Ecuador. Protocol</p> <p>See also <a href="#">2011/0249(NLE)</a></p> <p><b>Subject</b></p> <p>6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations 6.40.10 Relations with Latin America, Central America, Caribbean islands</p> <p><b>Geographical area</b></p> <p>Colombia Ecuador Peru</p>	Procedure completed

Key players				
European Parliament	<b>Committee responsible</b>		<b>Rapporteur</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
	<b>INTA</b> International Trade		SCHOLZ Helmut (GUE/NGL)	20/04/2016
			Shadow rapporteur	
			FISAS AYXELÀ Santiago (PPE)	
			LANGE Bernd (S&D)	
			ZAHRADIL Jan (ECR)	
		TREMOSA I BALCELLS Ramon (ALDE)		
		KELLER Ska (Verts/ALE)		
		BORRELLI David (EFDD)		
	<b>Committee for opinion</b>		<b>Rapporteur for opinion</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
	<b>AFET</b> Foreign Affairs		BROK Elmar (PPE)	24/05/2016
	<b>DEVE</b> Development		The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union	<b>Council configuration</b>		<b>Meetings</b>	<b>Date</b>
	Foreign Affairs		3496	2016-11-14

European Commission	<b>Commission DG</b>	<b>Commissioner</b>
	Trade and Economic Security	MALMSTRÖM Cecilia

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
04/04/2016	Preparatory document	COM(2016)0174 	Summary
12/10/2016	Legislative proposal published	07620/2016	
24/11/2016	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
29/11/2016	Vote in committee		
01/12/2016	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A8-0362/2016	Summary
13/12/2016	Debate in Parliament		
14/12/2016	Decision by Parliament	T8-0491/2016	Summary
14/12/2016	Results of vote in Parliament		
14/10/2024	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
31/10/2024	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
<b>Procedure reference</b>	2016/0092(NLE)
<b>Procedure type</b>	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
<b>Procedure subtype</b>	Consent by Parliament
<b>Amendments and repeals</b>	See also <a href="#">2011/0249(NLE)</a>
<b>Legal basis</b>	Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 100-p2 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 218-p6a Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 091 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 207-p4
<b>Other legal basis</b>	Rules of Procedure EP 165
<b>Stage reached in procedure</b>	Procedure completed
<b>Committee dossier</b>	INTA/8/06147

Documentation gateway				
European Parliament				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		<a href="#">PE589.212</a>	20/09/2016	

Committee opinion	<b>AFET</b>	PE589.183	26/10/2016	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A8-0362/2016	01/12/2016	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T8-0491/2016	14/12/2016	Summary
<b>Council of the EU</b>				
<b>Document type</b>		<b>Reference</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Summary</b>
Legislative proposal		07620/2016	12/10/2016	
Document attached to the procedure		07621/2016	12/10/2016	
<b>European Commission</b>				
<b>Document type</b>		<b>Reference</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Summary</b>
Document attached to the procedure		COM(2016)0173 	04/04/2016	
Preparatory document		COM(2016)0174 	04/04/2016	Summary

<b>Additional information</b>		
<b>Source</b>	<b>Document</b>	<b>Date</b>
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

<b>Final act</b>
<a href="#">Decision 2024/2728</a> <a href="#">OJ OJ L 31.10.2024</a>

## EU/Colombia and Peru Trade Agreement: accession of Ecuador. Protocol

2016/0092(NLE) - 04/04/2016 - Preparatory document

**PURPOSE:** to conclude the Protocol of Accession to the Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Colombia and Peru, of the other part, to take account of the Accession of Ecuador.

**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 19 January 2009, the Council authorised the Commission to negotiate a trade agreement on behalf of the Union with those Member Countries of the Andean Community (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru) which shared the aim to reach a balanced, ambitious, comprehensive and WTO-compatible agreement.

On 26 June 2012, the EU signed a Trade Agreement with Colombia and Peru. The Trade Agreement has been provisionally applied since 1 March 2013 for Peru and 1 August 2013 for Colombia.

On 17 July 2014, the Union and Ecuador concluded their negotiations on the Protocol to take account of the Accession of Ecuador to the Trade Agreement. The text of the Protocol was approved by the Trade Committee of the Trade Agreement at its meeting of 8 February 2016.

CONTENT: the proposal for a Council Decision constitutes the legal instrument for the **conclusion of the Protocol of Accession to the Trade Agreement** between the European Union and its Member States, on the one part, and Colombia and Peru on the other part, **to take account of the Accession of Ecuador**.

The Protocol in question establishes the necessary modifications to the Trade Agreement to take account of the accession of Ecuador. The Trade Agreement establishes the conditions for EU economic operators to take full advantage of the opportunities and the emerging complementarities between our respective economies:

- over the course of its implementation, the Agreement will fully **relieve EU exporters of industrial and fisheries products** to Ecuador from paying customs duties. In addition, it will allow for the dismantling of several important non-tariff barriers;
- Ecuador will benefit from substantial **new access to the EU market** in particular for their key agriculture export: bananas, and the EU will grant 100% duty-free coverage for fisheries of Ecuadorian origin and liberalise 99,9% of industrial tariff lines and 100% of industrial imports at entry into force;
- on **services and establishment as well as public procurement coverage**, the agreement matches the ambition of the Agreement with Colombia and Peru. It includes substantial commitments on all key sectors (notably financial services, telecommunications, transport) for cross-border supply and establishment in particular, while the EU's concerns in terms of temporary presence of natural persons for business purposes have been dealt with satisfactorily. In procurement, the EU has obtained the commitment of institutions at both central and sub-central level with appropriately low thresholds;
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- Ecuador will participate in the **Trade Committee** as well as in a set of sub-committees which allow for consultations on specific trade concerns under its different titles.

According to the Commission, the accession of Ecuador to the existing Trade Agreement with Colombia and Peru, which is a balanced, ambitious, comprehensive and WTO-compatible agreement, reinforces the legal framework of the EU trade relations with this country and facilitates reciprocal trade and investment. Moreover, accession to the Trade Agreement will provide an anchor for Ecuador's economic reforms and efforts to integrate the global economy and increase welfare.

BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS: foregone duty is estimated to amount to **EUR 80 million** upon full implementation of the Agreement after ten years.

## EU/Colombia and Peru Trade Agreement: accession of Ecuador. Protocol

2016/0092(NLE) - 14/12/2016 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 544 to 114, with 44 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Protocol of Accession to the Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Colombia and Peru, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Ecuador.

In line with the recommendation made by its Committee on International Trade and the opinion of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Parliament gave its consent to the conclusion of the Protocol.

## EU/Colombia and Peru Trade Agreement: accession of Ecuador. Protocol

2016/0092(NLE) - 01/12/2016 - Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading

The Committee on International Trade adopted the report by Helmut SCHOLZ (GUE/NGL, DE) on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Protocol of Accession to the Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Colombia and Peru, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Ecuador.

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

To recall, on 20 November 2015 the European Parliament adopted [a resolution](#) on the accession of Ecuador to the Trade Agreement between the EU and Peru and Colombia, in which it welcomed the conclusion of the negotiations with Ecuador, and encouraged the quick and complete entry into force and implementation of this agreement. Members considered that this would allow Ecuador the opportunity to continue stimulating policies on economic and social sustainable development.

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