Basic information

2017/2050(INI) INI - Own-initiative procedure	Procedure completed
Conclusion of the Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation between the EU and its Member States, of the one part, and New Zealand, of the other part See also 2016/0366(NLE) **Subject** 6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations 6.40.11 Relations with industrialised countries **Geographical area** New Zealand	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
AFET Foreign Affairs	TANNOCK Timothy Charles Ayrton (ECR)	28/02/2017
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European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
European External Action Service	MOGHERINI Federica

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
10/10/2017	Vote in committee		
24/10/2017	Committee report tabled for plenary	A8-0333/2017	Summary
16/11/2017	Decision by Parliament	T8-0447/2017	Summary
16/11/2017	Results of vote in Parliament		

16/11/2017	Debate in Parliament		
16/11/2017	End of procedure in Parliament		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2017/2050(INI)
Procedure type	INI - Own-initiative procedure
Amendments and repeals	See also 2016/0366(NLE)
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Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	AFET/8/09591

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE604.510	27/04/2017	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE605.924	31/05/2017	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A8-0333/2017	24/10/2017	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T8-0447/2017	16/11/2017	Summary

Conclusion of the Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation between the EU and its Member States, of the one part, and New Zealand, of the other part

2017/2050(INI) - 16/11/2017 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 473 votes to 57 with 79 abstentions, a non legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion on behalf of the Union of the Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and New Zealand, of the other part.

Members stressed that New Zealand enjoys a close and historic partnership with the EU. The EU remains New Zealand's third largest trading partner and both sides share respect for democratic principles as well as a wide range of economic and commercial interests.

Parliament **welcomed the conclusion of the Partnership Agreement** on Relations and Cooperation (PARC), which will provide a forward-looking political framework for EU-New Zealand relations. It underlined the cooperation on peace, security, regional stability in the Asia-Pacific region, agriculture, sustainable development, fisheries and maritime affairs, transport, humanitarian aid, sanitary measures, energy, the environment and climate change.

Members supported the launch of the EU-New Zealand free trade agreement negotiations, which must be **conducted in a spirit of reciprocity and mutual benefit**, taking into account the sensitivity of certain agricultural and other products. The resolution stressed, however, that it is important to strengthen:

- **political dialogue** and cooperation on economic growth, job creation, trade and investment;
- **environmental and ocean governance**, which is necessary to achieve the conservation and sustainable use of resources;
- further investment in the areas of **research and innovation** and new opportunities in scientific, academic and technology cooperation;
- cooperation on **sustainable energy** in line with the UN initiative 'Sustainable Energy for All'.

Parliament commended New Zealand's long-standing commitment in the **international coalition against terrorism** and welcomed the he PARC agreement's articles on counterterrorism cooperation.

Lastly, Members highlighted New Zealand's participation in EU crisis management operations to promote international peace and security, as well as New Zealand's long-standing commitment to the International Criminal Court (ICC), its ratification of the COP21 climate agreement and its contribution to the protection, conservation and sustainable use of marine resources and to marine research.

Conclusion of the Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation between the EU and its Member States, of the one part, and New Zealand, of the other part

2017/2050(INI) - 24/10/2017 - Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading

The Committee on Foreign Affairs adopted the own-initiative report by Charles TANNOCK (ECR, UK) containing a motion for a non-legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion on behalf of the Union of the Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and New Zealand, of the other part.

The report stressed that New Zealand enjoys a close and historic partnership with the EU. The **EU remains New Zealand's third largest trading partner** and both sides maintain a wide range of economic and commercial interests.

Members welcomed the conclusion of the Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation (PARC), which will provide a forward-looking political framework within which EU-New Zealand relations and cooperation on sustainable development and a comprehensive range of issues will be developed even further for years to come in order to match new ambitions and aspirations. They supported the launch of the EU-New Zealand free trade agreement negotiations, which must be conducted in a spirit of reciprocity and mutual benefit, taking into account the sensitivity of certain agricultural and other products.

They stressed, however, that it is important to strengthen:

- political dialogue and cooperation on economic growth, job creation, trade and investment;
- environmental and ocean governance, which is necessary to achieve the conservation and sustainable use of resources;
- investment and new opportunities in scientific, academic and technology cooperation;
- its long-standing commitment in the international coalition against terrorism;
- cooperation on sustainable energy in line with the UN initiative 'Sustainable Energy for All'.