

Basic information

2021/0003(NLE)

NLE - Non-legislative enactments

EU/Thailand Agreement: modification of concessions on all the tariff-rate quotas included in the EU Schedule CLXXV as a consequence of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union

Subject

6.20.01 Agreements and relations in the context of the World Trade Organization (WTO)

6.20.04 Union Customs Code, tariffs, preferential arrangements, rules of origin

Geographical area

Thailand

Procedure completed

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible

INTA

International Trade

Rapporteur

HAUTALA Heidi (Greens /EFA)

Appointed

28/01/2021

Shadow rapporteur

KELLY Seán (EPP)

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ZAHRADIL Jan (ECR)

LANCINI Danilo Oscar (ID)

MAUREL Emmanuel (The Left)

Committee for opinion

ITRE

Industry, Research and Energy

Rapporteur for opinion

The committee decided not to give an opinion.

Appointed

AGRI

Agriculture and Rural Development

The committee decided not to give an opinion.

PECH

Fisheries

The committee decided not to give an opinion.

Council of the European Union		
European Commission	Commission DG	Commissioner
	Agriculture and Rural Development	WOJCIECHOWSKI Janusz

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
19/01/2021	Preparatory document	COM(2021)0007	
08/02/2021	Legislative proposal published	05444/2021	
17/05/2021	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
25/05/2021	Vote in committee		
31/05/2021	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A9-0180/2021	
23/06/2021	Decision by Parliament	T9-0304/2021	Summary
13/07/2021	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
30/07/2021	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2021/0003(NLE)
Procedure type	NLE - Non-legislative enactments
Procedure subtype	Consent by Parliament
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 207-p2 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 218-p6
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	INTA/9/05149

Documentation gateway				
European Parliament				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE689.590	01/03/2021	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A9-0180/2021	31/05/2021	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T9-0304/2021	23/06/2021	Summary
Council of the EU				
Document type	Reference	Date	Summary	

Legislative proposal	05444/2021	08/02/2021	
European Commission			
Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Preparatory document	COM(2021)0007	19/01/2021	

Additional information		
Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act
Decision 2021/1234 OJ L 274 30.07.2021, p. 0055

EU/Thailand Agreement: modification of concessions on all the tariff-rate quotas included in the EU Schedule CLXXV as a consequence of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union

2021/0003(NLE) - 23/06/2021 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 638 votes to 49, with 6 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the agreement between the European Union and the Kingdom of Thailand pursuant to Article XXVIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) 1994 relating to the modification of concessions on all the tariff-rate quotas included in the EU Schedule CLXXV as a consequence of the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union.

Following the recommendation of the Committee on International Trade, Parliament **gave its consent** to the conclusion of the agreement.

As a reminder, the EU formally launched the negotiation process (under Article XXVIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) 1994) with several WTO members in Geneva in October 2018.

The negotiations are based on a 'joint approach' developed in 2017 by the EU and the UK on how to 'apportion' the quantitative commitments contained in the EU28 WTO schedule for the 143 EU agricultural, fish and industrial WTO tariff-rate quotas (TRQs).

The principle of the applied methodology is based on the trade flows into the EU27 and the UK during a representative reference period (of 3 years from 2013 to 2015) for all WTO TRQs. The agreed allocation method is described in detail in [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/216](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council.

On 15 June 2018, the Council authorised the Commission to launch GATT Article XXVIII negotiations with the WTO Members concerned with a view to apportioning the Union's WTO tariff quota concessions.

Negotiations with Thailand resulted in an agreement which was initialled on 7 January 2021 in Geneva.