

Basic information	
2024/2108(INI) INI - Own-initiative procedure Implementation of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement Subject 6.20.03 Bilateral economic and trade agreements and relations 6.40 Relations with third countries Geographical area United Kingdom	Procedure completed

Key players				
European Parliament	Joint committee responsible		Rapporteur	Appointed
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	Committee for opinion		Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets		VAN OVERTVELDT Johan (ECR)	06/01/2025

	ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs	HEINÄLUOMA Eero (S&D)	12/12/2024
	EMPL Employment and Social Affairs	MENDIA Idoia (S&D)	03/12/2024
	ENVI Environment, Climate and Food Safety	SMIT Sander (EPP)	14/02/2025
	ITRE Industry, Research and Energy	BUDKA Borys (EPP)	12/12/2024
	IMCO Internal Market and Consumer Protection	GOZI Sandro (Renew)	24/04/2025
	TRAN Transport and Tourism	DANIELSSON Johan (S&D)	21/01/2025
	PECH Fisheries	LE CALLENNEC Isabelle (EPP)	07/11/2024
	CULT Culture and Education	FARRENG Laurence (Renew)	12/12/2024
	LIBE Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	VINCZE Loránt (EPP)	03/12/2024
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Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
28/11/2024	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
04/11/2025	Vote in committee		
11/11/2025	Committee report tabled for plenary	A10-0226/2025	
26/11/2025	Debate in Parliament		
27/11/2025	Decision by Parliament	T10-0307/2025	Summary
27/11/2025	Results of vote in Parliament		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2024/2108(INI)
Procedure type	INI - Own-initiative procedure
Procedure subtype	Implementation
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 59 Rules of Procedure EP 55
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	CJ38/10/01489

Documentation gateway				
European Parliament				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE768.086	14/04/2025	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE774.277	26/05/2025	
Committee opinion	EMPL	PE773.239	27/06/2025	
Committee opinion	BUDG	PE773.240	02/07/2025	
Committee opinion	ENVI	PE771.972	03/07/2025	
Committee opinion	IMCO	PE773.105	15/07/2025	
Committee opinion	PECH	PE771.909	16/07/2025	
Committee opinion	ITRE	PE772.062	16/07/2025	
Committee opinion	TRAN	PE773.287	16/07/2025	
Committee opinion	LIBE	PE773.306	16/07/2025	
Committee opinion	ECON	PE773.038	17/07/2025	
Committee opinion	CULT	PE773.116	17/07/2025	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A10-0226/2025	11/11/2025	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T10-0307/2025	27/11/2025	Summary

Meetings with interest representatives published in line with the Rules of Procedure

Rapporteurs, Shadow Rapporteurs and Committee Chairs

Transparency				
Name	Role	Committee	Date	Interest representatives
HEINÄLUOMA Eero	Rapporteur for opinion	ECON	21/10/2025	Scottish Government
BENIFEI Brando	Shadow rapporteur	INTA	22/09/2025	UK mission to the European Union
TORSELLI Francesco	Shadow rapporteur	INTA	10/09/2025	Eni S.p.A. Lucia Odone Daniele D'Angelo

REUTEN Thijs	Rapporteur	AFET	09/07/2025	UK Mission
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HEINÄLUOMA Eero	Shadow rapporteur for opinion	ITRE	11/06/2025	National Energy System Operator
ZOVKO Željana	Shadow rapporteur	AFET	21/05/2025	EEAS
POKORNÁ JERMANOVÁ Jaroslava	Rapporteur for opinion	ECON	16/05/2025	Revolut Ltd
REUTEN Thijs	Rapporteur	AFET	14/05/2025	UK Mission
FARRENG Laurence	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	24/04/2025	British Embassy in France UK Mission to the EU
FARRENG Laurence	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	24/04/2025	Universities UK International (UUKi)
MENDIA Idoia	Shadow rapporteur	IMCO	23/04/2025	EUROCHAMBRES – Association of European Chambers of Commerce and Industry
FARRENG Laurence	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	10/04/2025	League of European Research Universities
FARRENG Laurence	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	10/04/2025	Scottish Government
FARRENG Laurence	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	10/04/2025	Office of the Northern Ireland Executive Brussels
FARRENG Laurence	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	10/04/2025	COIMBRA GROUP
REUTEN Thijs	Rapporteur	AFET	09/04/2025	UK Second Permanent Secretary, European Union and International Economic Affairs
REUTEN Thijs	Rapporteur	AFET	09/04/2025	UK Minister of State for Europe, North America & Overseas Territories
FARRENG Laurence	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	09/04/2025	British Council
FARRENG Laurence	Rapporteur for opinion	CULT	08/04/2025	Performing Arts Employers Associations League Europe)
BENIFEI Brando	Shadow rapporteur	INTA	03/04/2025	UK mission to the EU
REUTEN Thijs	Rapporteur	AFET	02/04/2025	UK Mission
BOYLAN Lynn	Shadow rapporteur	INTA	28/03/2025	Environmental Justice Network Ireland
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CARBERRY Nina	Rapporteur	INTA	15/01/2025	National Grid Commercial Holdings Limited
CARBERRY Nina	Rapporteur	INTA	09/12/2024	SSE
CARBERRY Nina	Rapporteur	INTA	13/11/2024	City of London Corporation
CARBERRY Nina	Rapporteur	INTA	30/10/2024	British Irish Chamber of Commerce Centre for European Reform Confederation of British Industry
CARBERRY Nina	Rapporteur	INTA	22/10/2024	Ibec

Implementation of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement

The European Parliament adopted by 490 votes to 41, with 74 abstentions, a resolution on the implementation of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement.

Importance of the partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom

Parliament underlined the essential nature of the partnership between the European Union (EU) and the United Kingdom, based on common values, shared interests, and the need to respond together to the growing security threats in Europe. It recognises the major role of the United Kingdom in the security of the continent and insisted on the full implementation of existing agreements: the Withdrawal Agreement, the Windsor Framework, and the Trade and Cooperation Agreement (TCA).

Members believe that the first EU-UK summit, to be held in London on 19 May 2025, is an **important step** in revitalising and deepening the partnership between the Union and the United Kingdom, as well as the starting point for more structured cooperation, particularly with the implementation of the security and defence partnership. Political declarations must now **be translated into action**, and the Union and the United Kingdom must deliver on their commitments, especially regarding defence industrial actions.

The TCA is one of the most ambitious and comprehensive trade agreements the EU has concluded with a non-EU country. While it does not replace EU membership and the benefits of access to the single market and the customs union, it nevertheless offers **significant potential for future cooperation**. Members welcomed the fact that the implementation of the TCA is proceeding smoothly and that all commitments planned for 2023 and 2024 are completed or are one track.

Northern Ireland

Parliament recalled the specific situation of Northern Ireland as a result of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland, which was concluded to safeguard **the Good Friday Agreement** following the UK's withdrawal from the EU. It maintains that Northern Ireland's unique and specific position continues to be recognised, with the country maintaining dual access to both the EU single market and the UK internal market. It called for **the full implementation** of all components of the Windsor Framework to avoid the re-emergence of a hard border in Ireland, to safeguard the Good Friday Agreement in all its dimensions, and ensure smooth trade and cooperation, while preserving the integrity of the single market and the Customs Union.

The United Kingdom must swiftly and fully implement its part of the agreement in order to ensure the long-term stability of EU-UK relations. This includes, in particular:

- that the United Kingdom must effectively operationalise its **customs and SPS mechanisms** to address the challenges in the movement of goods between Great Britain and Northern Ireland and to prevent Northern Irish consumers from experiencing disruptions and reduced product availability;
- the full implementation of **information-sharing mechanisms**, and for better monitoring of new parcel processes and systems under the Windsor Framework and their impact on market access for consumers.

Members reaffirmed the historical importance of the Good Friday Agreement and recalled that the United Kingdom is bound not to diminish the rights and guarantees provided for therein. The Union called for continued monitoring of its commitments and close cooperation with the UK authorities, including **enhanced dialogue** with Northern Irish institutions.

The resolution called for: (i) the appointment of a dedicated liaison representative to liaise with Northern Ireland; (ii) building on the benefits of the PEACE programmes and considering how a broader cohesion policy can support the reconciliation process; (iii) the abolition of the electronic travel authorisation to Northern Ireland to allow unimpeded movement across the island of Ireland; (iv) ensuring the free movement of workers on both sides of the border.

Harnessing the potential of the TCA

Parliament called on both sides to deepen the partnership between the Union and the United Kingdom, to fully exploit the potential of the TCA in areas of mutual interest, including through voluntary sectoral alignment, mutual recognition mechanisms and dialogue on regulatory innovation, and to consider strengthening cooperation in the customs field.

Members welcomed the summit's conclusions, which reaffirmed a joint commitment to enhance cooperation in key sectors such as **energy**, including the UK's accession to the **EU's single electricity market, new technologies, and agri-food**. They encouraged both parties to build on the summit's renewed political momentum to achieve tangible progress in these areas.

Security and Defence Partnership

Parliament welcomed the Security and Defence Partnership Agreement reached at the EU-UK Summit, which strengthens cooperation, provides the structured framework lacking in the Common Security and Defence Agreement (CSDA), and establishes and demonstrates the UK's renewed commitment to engaging with the EU on foreign and security policy issues. **Enhanced coordination** is essential to address global crises in a security environment marked by hybrid threats, cyberattacks, and disinformation campaigns, and to promote democracy and human rights and ensure regional and international security.

Members welcomed the fact that the security and defence partnership establishes **more structured and institutionalised cooperation** on foreign, security, and defence matters at different levels of governance. This practice could provide a solid basis for cooperation and be institutionalised through a legally binding instrument.

The resolution stresses the need for the EU and the UK to closely monitor the implementation of the security and defence partnership provisions and the commitments set out in the agreement of understanding. **Parliament** must hold the Commission fully accountable for delivering on its commitments under the Common Understanding agreed with the UK Government.

In general, Members reaffirmed Parliament's commitment to closely monitoring the application of the TAC and recalled that the Commission should provide Parliament with full and immediate information on the implementation of the TCA in order to ensure proper scrutiny.