Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation concerning cooperation on the application of their competition laws ***

European Parliament legislative resolution of 5 February 2014 on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of an Agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation concerning cooperation on the application of their competition laws (12418/2012 – C7-0146/2013 – 2012/0127(NLE))

(Consent)

The European Parliament,

– having regard to the draft Council decision (12418/2012),

– having regard to the draft agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation concerning cooperation on the application of their competition laws (12513/2012),

– having regard to the request for consent submitted by the Council in accordance with Articles 103 and 352, in conjunction with Article 218(6), second subparagraph, point (a)(v), of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (C7-0146/2013),

– having regard to Rules 81 and 90(7) of its Rules of Procedure,

– having regard to the recommendation of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the opinion of the Committee on International Trade (A7-0060/2014),

1. Consents to conclusion of the agreement;

2. Reminds the Council that, should it amend its draft decision, the consent of the European Parliament will have to be requested anew;

3. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council, the Commission and the governments and parliaments of the Member States and of the Swiss Confederation.