Authorising Member States to ratify, in the interests of the European Union, the Arms Trade Treaty ***

European Parliament legislative resolution of 5 February 2014 on the draft Council decision authorising Member States to ratify, in the interests of the European Union, the Arms Trade Treaty (12178/2013 – C7-0233/2013 – 2013/0225(NLE))

(Consent)

The European Parliament,

– having regard to the draft Council decision (12178/2013),

– having regard to the request for consent submitted by the Council in accordance with Articles 114 and 207(3) and Article 218(6), second subparagraph, point (a) (v), of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (C7-0233/2013),

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

– having regard to the recommendation of the Committee on International Trade and the opinion of the Committee on Foreign Affairs (A7-0041/2014),

1. Consents to the draft Council decision;

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