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on the proposal for a Council decision on the conclusion of a Protocol amending the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Kingdom of Morocco, of the other part, to take account of the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Bulgaria and Romania
(COM(2007)0495 – C6-0330/2007 – 2007/0181(CNS))

Committee on Transport and Tourism

Rapporteur: Paolo Costa

(Simplified procedure - Rule 43(1) of the Rules of Procedure)

Symbols for procedures

- * Consultation procedure
majority of the votes cast
- **I Cooperation procedure (first reading)
majority of the votes cast
- **II Cooperation procedure (second reading)
majority of the votes cast, to approve the common position
majority of Parliament's component Members, to reject or amend the common position
- *** Assent procedure
majority of Parliament's component Members except in cases covered by Articles 105, 107, 161 and 300 of the EC Treaty and Article 7 of the EU Treaty
- ***I Codecision procedure (first reading)
majority of the votes cast
- ***II Codecision procedure (second reading)
majority of the votes cast, to approve the common position
majority of Parliament's component Members, to reject or amend the common position
- ***III Codecision procedure (third reading)
majority of the votes cast, to approve the joint text

(The type of procedure depends on the legal basis proposed by the Commission.)

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DRAFT EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

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(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal for a Council decision (COM(2007)0495),
 - having regard to Articles 80(2), 300(2) and 300(4), of the EC Treaty,
 - having regard to Article 300(3), first subparagraph, of the EC Treaty, pursuant to which the Council consulted Parliament (C6-0330/2007),
 - having regard to Rules 51, 83(7) and 43(1) of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Transport and Tourism (A6-0458/2007),
1. Approves the conclusion of the Protocol;
 2. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council and the Commission, and the governments and parliaments of the Member States and the Kingdom of Morocco.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and the Kingdom of Morocco was negotiated on the basis of a mandate given by the Council in December 2004. The agreement was signed on 12 December 2006.

The Republic of Bulgaria and Romania acceded to the European Union on 1 January 2007. Pursuant to Article 6(2) of the Act concerning the Conditions of Accession, those two States undertook to accede to the Agreements and Conventions concluded or signed by the Member States and the Community acting jointly.

The simplified procedure applies to accession to those Agreements and Conventions. A Protocol should be concluded by the Council of the European Union, acting unanimously on behalf of the Member States, and the third countries concerned.

The accession of the Republic of Bulgaria and Romania to the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Community and the Kingdom of Morocco signed in Brussels on 12 December 2006 should therefore be approved through the conclusion of a Protocol amending that Agreement.

PROCEDURE

Title	Amendment of the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the EC and Morocco, to take account of the accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the EU
References	COM(2007)0495 - C6-0330/2007 - 2007/0181(CNS)
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Committee responsible Date announced in plenary	TRAN 11.10.2007
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