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on the proposal for a Council decision on the conclusion of the agreement between the European Community and Norway on the revision of the amount of the financial contribution from Norway provided for in the agreement between the European Community and the Kingdom of Norway on the participation of Norway in the work of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)
(COM(2006)0115 – C6-0140/2006 – 2006/0037(CNS))

Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

Rapporteur: Frieda Brepoels

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(2006)0115)¹,
 - having regard to the draft agreement between the European Community and Norway on the revision of the amount of the financial contribution from Norway provided for in the agreement between the European Community and the Kingdom of Norway on the participation of Norway in the work of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA),
 - having regard to Articles 152 and 300(2), first subparagraph of the EC Treaty,
 - having regard to Article 300(3), first subparagraph, of the EC Treaty, pursuant to which the Council consulted Parliament (C6-0140/2006),
 - having regard to Rules 51 and 83(7) of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (A6-0330/2006),
1. Approves conclusion of the agreement;
 2. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council and Commission, and the governments and parliaments of the Member States and Norway.

¹ Not yet published in OJ.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Background

Article 13 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 302/93 of 8 February 1993 on the establishment of a European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction¹, as amended by Council Regulations (EC) Nos 3294/94², 2220/2000³ and 1651/2003⁴, allows non-Community countries to take part in the work of the EMCDDA.

An agreement between the European Community and the Kingdom of Norway on the participation of Norway in the work of the EMCDDA was signed on 19 October 2000 and entered into force on 1 January 2001⁵.

Article 5 of this agreement sets out the financial contribution from Norway to the work of the EMCDDA.

Following the enlargement of the European Union, Norway has requested the revision of its financial contribution to the work of the EMCDDA.

The present proposal for a Council decision aims thus at revising the amount of the financial contribution from Norway and sets up a formula for the calculation of Norway's contribution to take account of possible future enlargements of the European Union and avoid further adjustments.

Recommendation of the Rapporteur

Your rapporteur supports the agreement reached between Norway and the European Union.

Under the previous agreement, it was agreed that Norway would pay a specific percentage of the European subsidy to the EMCDDA. Under the new agreement, the parties have opted for a calculation formula that allows Norway's contribution to be adjusted as the Union is enlarged.

The agreement also lays down a minimum amount which must be adhered to irrespective of the number of Member States of the Union, namely a financial contribution of not less than EUR 271 000. This amount corresponds to the cost of enlargement per country as estimated by the EMCDDA in 2001.

These arrangements avoid the need for a new agreement to be concluded each time the Union is enlarged.

¹ OJ L 36, 12.2.1993, p. 1.

² OJ L 341, 30.12.1994, p. 7.

³ OJ L 253, 7.10.2000, p. 1.

⁴ OJ L 245, 29.9.2003, p. 30.

⁵ OJ L 257, 11.10.2000, p. 23.

PROCEDURE

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References	COM(2006)0115 – C6-0140/2006 – 2006/0037(CNS)
Date of consulting Parliament	4.5.2006
Committee responsible Date announced in plenary	LIBE 15.5.2006
Committee(s) asked for opinion(s) Date announced in plenary	
Not delivering opinion(s) Date of decision	
Enhanced cooperation Date announced in plenary	
Rapporteur(s) Date appointed	Frieda Brepoels 3.4.2006
Previous rapporteur(s)	
Simplified procedure – date of decision Date of decision	
Legal basis disputed Date of JURI opinion	
Financial endowment amended Date of BUDG opinion	
Parliament to consult European Economic and Social Committee – date decided in plenary	
Parliament to consult Committee of the Regions – date decided in plenary	
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Date adopted	4.10.2006
Result of final vote	+: 39 –: 3 0: 0
Members present for the final vote	Alexander Alvaro, Alfredo Antoniozzi, Edit Bauer, Johannes Blokland, Mihael Brejc, Maria Carlshamre, Michael Cashman, Jean-Marie Cavada, Charlotte Cederschiöld, Carlos Coelho, Fausto Correia, Panayiotis Demetriou, Agustín Díaz de Mera García Consuegra, Kinga Gál, Patrick Gaubert, Elly de Groen-Kouwenhoven, Lilli Gruber, Adeline Hazan, Livia Járóka, Barbara Kudrycka, Stavros Lambrinidis, Romano Maria La Russa, Henrik Lax, Antonio Masip Hidalgo, Edith Mastenbroek, Jaime Mayor Oreja, Martine Roure, Inger Segelström, Ioannis Varvitsiotis, Manfred Weber, Stefano Zappalà, Tatjana Ždanoka
Substitute(s) present for the final vote	Frieda Brepoels, Roland Gewalt, Genowefa Grabowska, Ignasi Guardans Cambó, Sophia in 't Veld, Sylvia-Yvonne Kaufmann, Katalin Lévai, Javier Moreno Sánchez, Marie-Line Reynaud,

	Kyriacos Triantaphyllides
Substitute(s) under Rule 178(2) present for the final vote	Roberto Musacchio
Date tabled	10.10.2006
Comments (available in one language only)	...