Rapporteur: Anders Primdahl Vistisen
**Symbols for procedures**

* Consultation procedure  
*** Consent procedure  
***I Ordinary legislative procedure (first reading)  
***II Ordinary legislative procedure (second reading)  
***III Ordinary legislative procedure (third reading)  

(The type of procedure depends on the legal basis proposed by the draft act.)
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DRAFT EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

on the draft Council decision on the conclusion on behalf of the European Union of the Agreement between the European Union and Iceland on supplementary rules in relation to the instrument for financial support for external borders and visa, as part of the Internal Security Fund, for the period 2014 to 2020 (09228/2017 – C8-0101/2018 – 2017/0088(NLE))

(Consent)

The European Parliament,

– having regard to the draft Council decision (09228/2017),

– having regard to the draft Agreement between the European Union and Iceland on supplementary rules in relation to the instrument for financial support for external borders and visa, as part of the Internal Security Fund, for the period 2014 to 2020 (09253/2017),

– having regard to the request for consent submitted by the Council in accordance with Article 77(2) and Article 218(6), second subparagraph, point (a), of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (C8-0101/2018),

– having regard to Rule 99(1) and (4) and Rule 108(7) of its Rules of Procedure,

– having regard to the recommendation of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (A8-0196/2018),

1. Gives its consent to the conclusion of the agreement;

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

In 2014, the European Parliament and the Council adopted, as part of the Internal Security Fund, the instrument for financial support for external borders and visa (ISF Borders and Visa) for the period 2014 to 2020 (Regulation (EU) 515/2014).

The main aim of the ISF Borders and Visa is to ensure a high level of security in the Union while facilitating legitimate travel and tackling illegal immigration through a uniform and high level of control of the external border and the effective processing of Schengen visas. The funding of around EUR 2.8 billion up to 2020 - mostly via national programmes - is to be used inter alia for building infrastructure needed at border crossing points and for border surveillance, funding the IT systems required by the European Border Surveillance System (EUROSUR), as well as for actions to facilitate efficient management of migration flows, processing of visa applications and consular co-operation.

Article 5(7) of Regulation (EU) 515/2014 stipulates that the countries associated with the implementation, application and development of the Schengen acquis participate in the instrument in accordance with its provisions and that arrangements are to be concluded on their financial contributions and the supplementary rules necessary for such participation. This proposal - the draft Agreement with Iceland - is to establish exactly those arrangements, namely to enable the Commission to assume responsibility for the implementation of the budget of the instrument in this associated country and to determine Iceland’s contribution to the Union budget in respect of this instrument (around 563 999 EUR per year for 2016, 2017 and 2018, while Iceland’s contribution for 2019 and 2020 will be determined in 2019 on the basis of the formula to calculate the financial contributions in the Annex of the Agreement).

Your rapporteur supports this proposal. The ISF Borders and Visa establishes a solidarity mechanism, binding the participating states by the same European rules on the control of external borders in each other's interests and on each other's behalf. In your rapporteur’s view the proposal will serve to accomplish a key objective of the Schengen acquis, namely to share responsibility for an efficient, high and uniform level of control at the external borders in order, to ensure, on one hand, a uniform and high level of control and protection of the external borders, including by the tackling of illegal immigration and, on the other hand, the smooth crossing of the external borders, in compliance with the Union’s commitment to fundamental freedoms and human rights.
Title
Agreement between the EU and Iceland on supplementary rules in relation to the instrument for financial support for external borders and visa, as part of the Internal Security Fund, for the period 2014 to 2020

References

Date of consultation / request for consent
6.3.2018

Committee responsible
Date announced in plenary
LIBE
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Committees asked for opinions
Date announced in plenary
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BUDG
15.3.2018

Not delivering opinions
Date of decision
AFET
30.5.2017
BUDG
29.5.2017

Rapporteurs
Date appointed
Anders Primdahl Vistisen
31.8.2017

Discussed in committee
14.5.2018
24.5.2018

Date adopted
24.5.2018

Result of final vote
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Members present for the final vote
Asim Ademov, Caterina Chinnici, Daniel Dalton, Frank Engel, Cornelia Ernst, Kinga Gál, Ana Gomes, Nathalie Griesbeck, Sylvie Guillaume, Monika Hohlmeier, Brice Hortefeux, Filiz Hyusmenova, Eva Joly, Barbara Kudrycka, Cécile Kashedu Kyenge, Juan Fernando López Aguilar, Monica Macovei, Claude Moraes, Péter Niedermüller, Sergei Stanishev, Helga Stevens, Traian Ungureanu, Marie-Christine Vergiat, Cecilia Wikström, Kristina Winberg, Tomáš Zdechovský, Auke Zijlstra

Substitutes present for the final vote
Gérard Deprez, Maria Grapini, Anna Hedh, Teresa Jiménez-Becerril Barrio, Jean Lambert, Andrejs Mamikins, Angelika Mlinar

Substitutes under Rule 200(2) present for the final vote
Andrea Bocskor, Maria Gabriela Zoonă, Tadeusz Zwiefka

Date tabled
30.5.2018
## FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE

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Key to symbols:
+ : in favour
- : against
0 : abstention