



TEXTS ADOPTED

P8_TA(2016)0393

EU-China Agreement on short-stay visa waiver for holders of diplomatic passports ***

European Parliament legislative resolution of 25 October 2016 on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Agreement between the European Union and the People's Republic of China on the short-stay visa waiver for holders of diplomatic passports (15470/2015 – C8-0110/2016 – 2015/0293(NLE))

(Consent)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the draft Council decision (15470/2015),
 - having regard to the draft Agreement between the European Union and the People's Republic of China on the short-stay visa waiver for holders of diplomatic passports (15469/2015),
 - 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)(v), of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (C8-0110/2016),
 - having regard to the letter from the Committee on Foreign Affairs,
 - having regard to Rule 99(1), first and third subparagraphs, Rule 99(2), and Rule 108(7) of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the recommendation of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (A8-0281/2016),
1. Gives its consent to 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 the People's Republic of China.