



Council of the
European Union

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LEGISLATIVE ACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

Subject: COUNCIL DECISION authorising the European Commission and the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy to open negotiations on and negotiate, on behalf of the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, the provisions that fall within the competence of the Union and the European Atomic Energy Community of a Framework Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Armenia, of the other part

COUNCIL DECISION

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of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy
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of the Union and the European Atomic Energy Community
of a Framework Agreement between
the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community
and their Member States, of the one part,
and the Republic of Armenia, of the other part**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 37 and Article 31(1) thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Articles 207 and 209 thereof, in conjunction with Article 218(3) and (4) and the second subparagraph of Article 218(8) thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular the second paragraph of Article 101 thereof,

Having regard to the recommendation from the European Commission,

Whereas negotiations should be opened with a view to concluding a Framework Agreement with the Republic of Armenia to replace the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States of the one part, and the Republic of Armenia, of the other part¹,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

¹ OJ L 239, 9.9.1999, p. 3.

Article 1

1. The Commission and the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy ('High Representative') are hereby authorised to open negotiations on and negotiate, on behalf of the Union, the provisions that fall within the competence of the Union of a Framework Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Armenia, of the other part ('the Agreement').

The Commission is hereby authorised to open negotiations on and negotiate, on behalf of the European Atomic Energy Community ('Euratom'), the provisions that fall within the competence of the Euratom of a Framework Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Armenia, of the other part.

2. The Commission shall be the head of the Union's negotiating team.

Article 2

The negotiations shall be conducted on the basis of the negotiating directives of the Council set out in the addendum to this Decision.

Article 3

The negotiations shall be conducted in consultation with a special committee designated by the Council. The Trade Policy Committee shall be regularly consulted on the trade-related parts of the Agreement.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Commission and to the High Representative.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President
