

**DECISION No 5/2005 OF THE EC-EFTA JOINT COMMITTEE ON 'COMMON TRANSIT'
of 4 October 2005**

**inviting Romania to accede to the Convention of 20 May 1987 on a common transit procedure
(2005/712/EC)**

THE JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Convention of 20 May 1987 on a common transit procedure ⁽¹⁾ (hereinafter referred to as the Convention), and in particular Article 15(3)(e) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The promotion of trade with Romania would be facilitated by a simplification of formalities to be carried out in the context of trade of goods between this country and the European Community, the Republic of Iceland, the Kingdom of Norway and the Swiss Confederation.
- (2) With a view to achieving such procedure it is appropriate to invite Romania to accede to the Convention,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

In accordance with Article 15a of the Convention, Romania is invited, in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the Council of the European Union and Romania attached to this Decision, to accede to the Convention as from 1 January 2006.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Basel, 4 October 2005.

For the Joint Committee
The President
Rudolf DIETRICH

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 226, 13.8.1987, p. 2. Convention as last amended by Decision No 4/2005 (OJ L 225, 31.8.2005, p. 29).

LETTER No 1**Communication of the Decision of the EC-EFTA Joint Committee inviting Romania to accede to the Convention of 20 May 1987 on a common transit procedure**

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you of the Decision No 5/2005 of the EC-EFTA Joint Committee on common transit of 4 October 2005 inviting Romania to become a Contracting Party to the Convention of 20 May 1987 on a common transit procedure.

The accession of Romania to the Convention may be effected by lodging its Instrument of Accession with the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union together with a translation of the Convention in the official language of Romania in accordance with Article 15a of the Convention.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

*The General Secretary
General Secretariat of the
Council of the European Union*

LETTER No 2**Instrument of Accession of Romania to the Convention on a common transit procedure**

Romania,

Taking note of the Decision No 5/2005 of the EC-EFTA Joint Committee on common transit of 4 October 2005 inviting Romania to accede to the Convention of 20 May 1987 on a common transit procedure,

Desiring to become a Contracting Party to the Convention,

HEREBY

Accedes to the Convention;

Attaches to this Instrument a translation of the Convention in the official language of Romania;

Declares that it accepts all the Recommendations and Decisions of the EC-EFTA Joint Committee on common transit adopted between the 4 October 2005 and the date on which the Accession of Romania becomes effective in accordance with Article 15a of the Convention.

Done at ...

For Romania