

COUNCIL DECISION**of 10 October 2012****on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria on scientific and technological cooperation**

(2012/645/EU)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 186 in conjunction with Article 218(6) and (7) thereof,

Article 1
The Agreement between the European Union and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria on scientific and technological cooperation is hereby approved on behalf of the Union ⁽¹⁾.

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Article 2
The President of the Council shall, on behalf of the Union, give the notification provided for in Article 7(2) of the Agreement ⁽²⁾.

Having regard to the consent of the European Parliament,

Whereas:

Article 3
The European Commission shall adopt the position of the Union to be taken within the Joint Committee established by Article 4(2) of the Agreement with regard to technical amendments to that Agreement in accordance with Article 4(2)(a) thereof.

(1) On 16 November 2009, the Council authorised the Commission to negotiate, on behalf of the Union, an Agreement between the European Union and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria on scientific and technological cooperation (the 'Agreement'). It was initialled on 14 October 2010.

Article 4
This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.

(2) The Agreement was signed on 19 March 2012, subject to its conclusion at a later date, and provisionally applied upon its signature pursuant to Article 218(5) of the Treaty.

Done at Luxembourg, 10 October 2012.

(3) The Agreement should be approved,

For the Council
The President
S. MALAS

⁽¹⁾ The Agreement has been published in OJ L 99, 5.4.2012, p. 2, together with the decision on signing.

⁽²⁾ The date of entry into force of the Agreement will be published in the *Official Journal* by the General Secretariat of the Council.