EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

of 1 December 2011

on the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia (14409/2011 - C7-0252/2011 - 2011/0805(NLE))

(Consent)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the application by the Republic of Croatia to become a member of the European Union.
- having regard to the request for consent submitted by the Council pursuant to Article 49 of the Treaty on European Union (14409/2011 C7-0252/2011),
- having regard to the opinion of the Commission (COM(2011) 667),
- having regard to the draft Treaty concerning the Accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union, the Protocol and the Final Act,
- having regard to Rules 74c and 81 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Affairs (A7-0390/2011),
- A. whereas the conditions for the admission of the applicant country and the modifications which its accession entails are set out in the draft Treaty concerning the Accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union, and whereas Parliament should be consulted on any substantial modifications to the draft Treaty,
- B. whereas the Commission must monitor further preparations for accession with rigour and objectivity and help the Croatian authorities to fulfil their commitments and obligations as entered into in the negotiations; whereas the Commission must keep Parliament regularly informed of the extent to which the Croatian authorities honour their commitments in order to fully assume their membership obligations upon accession on 1 July 2013,
- 1. Consents to the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia;
- 2. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council and the Commission, and the governments and parliaments of the Member States and the Republic of Croatia.