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On 6 December, Erato Kozakou-Marcoulis, Cypriot Minister of Foreign Affairs, Štefan Füle, Member of the EC in charge of Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy, and Mourad Medelci, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Algeria, held the final conference of the EU-Algeria Association Council. They announced that developments have been positive over the past 12 months. Decisions on scientific cooperation, agreement on tariff on agricultural and industrial products have been taken. Štefan Füle announced that 'today the Commission decided on two new cooperation programs (on diversification of the economy and in particular the promising sector of fisheries and aquaculture) to support Algeria's reforms and modernization'. The Commission allocates 45 millions of Euros to these programmes.



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TIME	DESCRIPTION	DURATION
00:00:00	Title	00:00:05
00:00:05	General view of the speakers	00:00:05
00:00:10	Cutaway of the audience	00:00:04
00:00:14	SOUNDBITE (in English) Erato Kozakou-Marcoulis, Cypriot Minister of Foreign Affairs: There have been many positive developments over the past 12 months; Algeria's decision to participate in the renewed European neighbourhood policy through the negotiations of an action plan. The signature of a scientific cooperation agreement reaching an agreement on tariff on agricultural and industrial products and a launching of a deeper regular political dialogue	00:00:34
00:00:48	Cutaway of the audience	00:00:04
00:00:52	SOUNDBITE (in English) Štefan Füle, Member of the EC in charge of Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy: As the Minister said we have appreciate the ongoing reforms process and repeated the readiness of the EU to support trough a tailored made approach to Alacia own needs. We have stressed again the	00:00:43

	... agenda can't be seen. We have discussed against the successful reforms, the inclusive involving all stakeholders authorities, civil society, the private sector and trade union. And they should not be confined to an isolated that timeframe but should be apart of an constant effort to deliver on the legitimate aspirations of people.	
00:01:35	Cutaway of journalist	00:00:04
00:01:39	SOUNDBITE (in English) Štefan Füle: It is my pleasure to announce that today the Commission decided on two new cooperation programs to support Algeria's reforms and modernization. The first programme will support diversification of the economy and in particular the promising sector of fisheries and aquaculture. The second program will focus on supporting on the modernisation of public administration and all together the Commission allocates 45 millions of Euros to these 2 programmes.	00:00:36
00:02:15	Cutaway of journalists	00:00:05
00:02:20	SOUNDBITE (in French) Mourad Medelci, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Algeria saying that: These 18 months of negotiations allow us to agree on conclusion which was difficult at first. But in a good spirit the two delegations managed to agree. That allows us work on a new agenda on tariffs in a framework the association agreement with the EU.	00:00:37
00:02:57	Cutaway of cameraman	00:00:04
00:03:01	Speakers leaving	00:00:05
00:03:06	End	00:00:00