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**LETTER**

**from the President of the Court of Auditors**

**requesting the release of certain posts**

COURT OF AUDITORS

The President

Mr Emilio COLOMBO  
President of the  
European Parliament  
Case postale 1601

Luxembourg, 2 February 1978

LUXEMBOURG

Dear Mr President,

The budget of the Court of Auditors (Section V of the budget of the European Communities for 1978) provides, in the list of posts annexed to it, that the following posts shall be blocked: 3 A2, 5 A6, 10 B3 and 3 C3.

I am writing to ask that one A2 and the 10 B3 posts be unblocked as soon as possible.

The A2 is needed for the transfer of an official of that level from the former Audit Board. This official, assigned to a highly specialized post, would have as his task, inter alia, the analysis of all documents directly relating to the specific activity of the Court of Auditors, with particular regard to the study of the effects of Community or national legislative measures on the financial activity of the Communities. He could, in addition, ensure that the Court of Auditors is linked to the CELEX system and to any other Community system which may become operational.

As regards the 10 B3's, although some officials at these levels are being taken over from the Audit Board, it has become necessary to employ them temporarily on tasks associated with setting up the Court's infrastructure. As a result, the Court's auditing strength is inadequate to carry out its immediate tasks. In particular, staff are urgently needed to enable the Court to meet the 15 July deadline laid down by the Financial Regulation for the presentation of its comments on the execution of the 1977 budget. An increase in the numbers of B3's by unblocking the 10 posts would enable staff to be reassigned to the tasks for which their training best equips them.

Finally, so that the list of posts may reflect the need to transfer to the Court secretaries occupying B3 posts either in the former audit bodies or in their institution of origin, a footnote should be added in respect of one B2 post and four B3 posts.

Yours faithfully,

(sgd.) Michael N. Murphy  
President

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