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Luis Romero Requena appointed Director General of DG Budget

The European Commission today decided to appoint Luis Romero Requena, Commission official of Spanish nationality, Director General for Budget. The Directorate General has the overall responsibility for preparation and execution of the European Union Budget, which enables the implementation of the Union's policies.

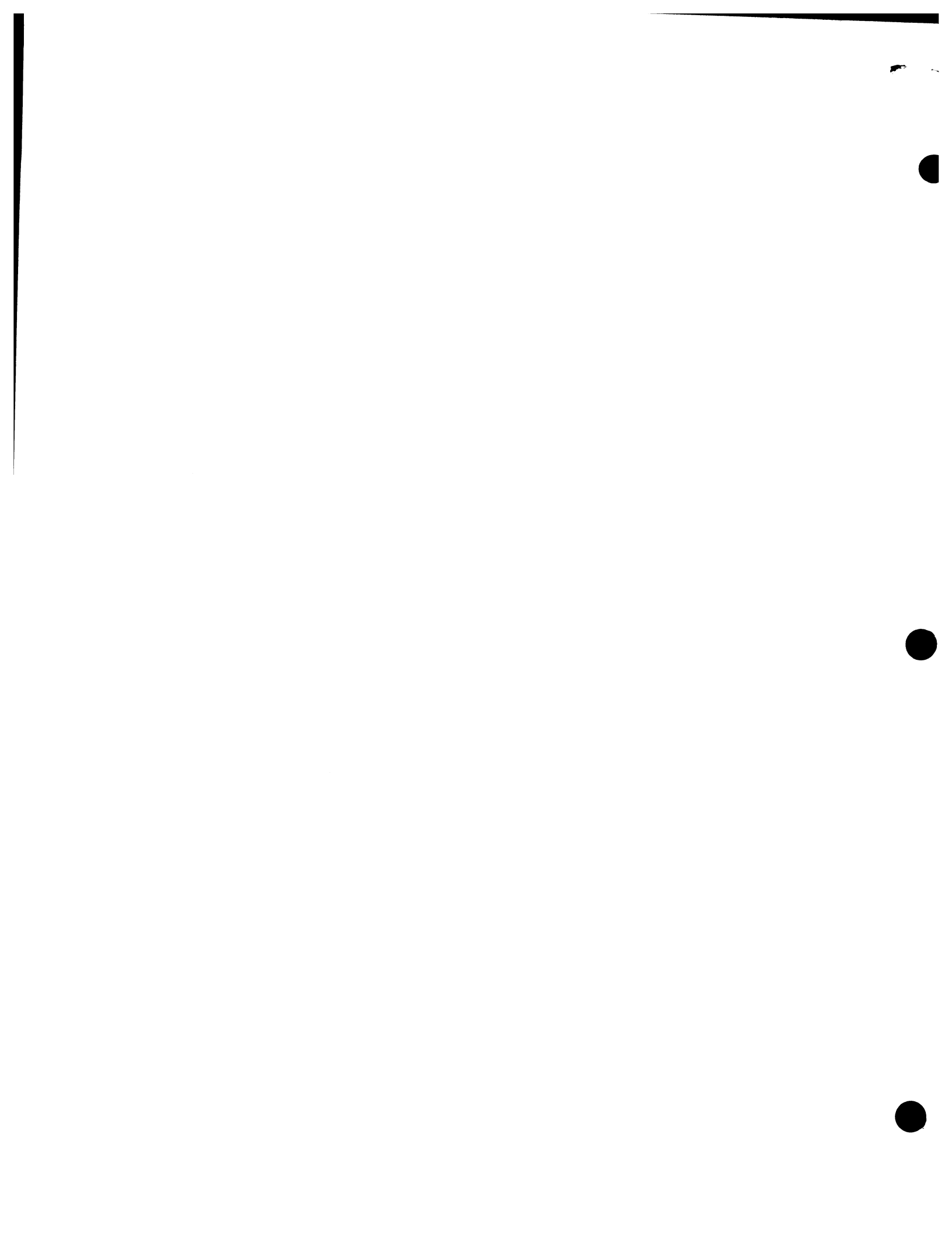
Commissioner for the Budget Michael Schreyer said, "Jean Paul Mingasson is a long-serving, successful Director-General of DG Budget who is greatly appreciated by all the Community institutions. As such he has set high standards for his successor. Luis Romero fulfils all the conditions for meeting those standards. He has many years of experience at the Council and the Commission, most recently as Director for Expenditure in DG Budget. He has performed his duties with elan, creativity and the utmost reliability. I want to thank Jean Paul Mingasson for his many years of excellent service in DG Budget. Important tasks await Luis Romero, including continued implementation of the reform, the budget negotiations and preparation of the financial planning for an enlarged Union."

Mr Romero Requena, 47 years of age, is a career Inspector of Finance. He holds a masters degree in law from the University of Deusto, Madrid. In 1985, he became technical adviser to the Ministry of Economic and Financial Affairs on the preparation for European accession.

In 1986, Mr. Romero Requena came to Brussels to work at the Permanent Representation of Spain to the EU as Financial Counsellor. He joined the DG Environment of the European Commission in 1997. From 1999, he became Director in DG Budget, first for "Resources" then for "Expenditure".

This appointment is part of the series of rotations announced in January 2002.

The CV of Mr. Romero Requena is attached.



Luis ROMERO REQUENA

Nationality: Spanish

Born 24 June 1955, married, two children

Current post (July 2001)

Director BUDG/A Expenditure

Alternate Chairman of the ACPC

CCA "rapporteur" for appointment of A2 officials

Career

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| 1999-2001 | Director BUDG/B Resources |
| 2000 | DG Budget Acting Deputy Director General. (September 2000 – January 2001) |
| 1997-1999 | DG Environment
Chief Adviser responsible for Administration, Finance, Information Technology and Communications |
| 1986-1996 | Permanent Representation of Spain to the European Union,
Financial Counsellor Financial and budget issues.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 1987 and 1992 financial packages negotiation (Inter-institutional Agreement, Own resources, Budgetary discipline...)- Annual budget and discharge procedures (Court of Auditors annual and special reports, negotiation with the responsible Committees in the EP)- Financial regulation and own resources regulations- Council Spanish presidencies: Chairman of the Budget committee in 1989 and 1995. |
| 1985-1986 | "Secretaría General Técnica" in the Ministry of Economic and Financial Affairs, Technical Adviser

Adaptation of the Services of the Ministry in view of the Spanish accession to the EC (Organisation of the budgetary relations between the Spanish government and the Commission, implementation of VAT...) |
| 1984-1985 | Office of the State Secretary for Finance, Adviser |



1980-1983 Departments of the Ministry of Finance in Zaragoza and Madrid
Tax and accounts inspection (Individual taxpayers and firms)

1977-1978 Assistant lecturer on accounting, I.C.A.D.E. (Madrid)

Education:

1972-1977 Studied law and business management
I.C.A.D.E. (Madrid)

1977 Masters Degree in Law (University of Deusto) (Madrid)

1979 State Inspector of Finance (Competition)

1979-1980 Financial Inspection School
Ministry of Economic and Financial Affairs (Madrid)

1983-1984 Ecole Nationale d'Administration (Paris)

Other activities and publications

Member of the Spanish Institute of Accounting and Auditing (I.C.A.C.)

Lectured at various training courses for officials and seminars on public finance

Published various articles on Community matters

