REPORT

drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Budgets

on draft supplementary and amending budget No. 2
of the European Communities for 1981 drawn up by
the Council on 19 October 1981 (Doc. 1-650/81)

PART A: MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Rapporteur: Mr P. ADONNINO
On 13 May 1980 the Committee on Budgets appointed Mr P. ADONNINO rapporteur on the general budget of the European Communities for 1981 (Section III Commission); this appointment also covers the supplementary and/or amending budgets for the same year.

On 2 October 1981 the Commission forwarded to the Council and notified Parliament of the preliminary draft supplementary and amending budget No. 2 for 1981.

On 19 October 1981 the Council drew up the draft budget and forwarded it to Parliament on 21 October.

At its meeting of 10 November 1981 the Committee on Budgets considered this draft budget and decided, by 14 votes to 2, to amend it as set out in the motion for a resolution below. It adopted two draft amendments to this end.

Mr Adonnino was appointed to introduce in the House the report containing the deliberations of the Committee on Budgets.

Present: Mr Lange, chairman; Mr Notenboom, vice-chairman; Mr Adonnino, rapporteur; Mr Arndt, Mr Baillot, Mr Balfour, Mrs Boserup, Mr Dankert, Mrs Hoff, Mr Lega, Mr Langes, Mr Orlandi, Mr Pfennig, Mr Price, Mr Konrad Schön and Mrs Scrivener.
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The Committee on Budgets hereby submits to the European Parliament the following motion for a resolution:

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

on draft supplementary and amending budget No. 2/1981

The European Parliament,


- having regard to preliminary draft supplementary and amending budget No. 2/1981 (COM(81) 548 final),

- having regard to draft supplementary and amending budget No. 2/1981 (Doc. 1-650/81),

- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 1-733/81),

1. Decides to amend at first reading draft supplementary and amending budget No. 2/1981.
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GENERAL BUDGET OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1981
SUPPLEMENTARY AND AMENDING BUDGET No. 2

DRAFT AMENDMENT
tabled by Mr ADONNINO, rapporteur, on behalf of the Committee on Budgets

SECTION III - COMMISSION

PAYMENTS

Title 5  Social and Regional Fund
Chapter 54  Special contribution to the ECSC for temporary
social measures in connection with the restructuring
of the steel industry

Article 540  Special contribution to the ECSC for temporary
social measures in connection with the restructuring
of the steel industry

A - Expenditure

Enter a payment appropriation of 62,000,000 ECU (instead of the p.m.)
(reinstatement of the appropriation shown in preliminary draft
supplementary and amending budget No. 2)

B - Compensation

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C - Revenue

Increase revenue by same amount

COMMITMENTS

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REMARKS

Enter the following new remarks:

'Conclusions of the 717th Council meeting on 24.6.1981 concerning the
introduction of the relevant social measures under the ECSC Treaty,
Article 56(2)(b).

Communication from the Commission SG (81) D/12619 on the use of financing
through the general budget.

This article is to permit the financing of the temporary social measures in
connection with the restructuring of the steel industry.'

Justification

The Committee on Budgets confirms the need to finance ECSC expenditure for
social action in the steel industry through the EEC budget. It points out
that such expenditure can only be classified as non-compulsory and that its
implementation requires no basis in regulations other than the provisions of
the Treaties themselves.
DRAFT AMENDMENT
tabled by Mr ADONNINO, rapporteur, on behalf of the Committee on Budgets

SECTION III - COMMISSION
PAYMENTS

Title 9  Cooperation with developing and other non-member countries
Chapter 92  Food aid
Article 923  Food aid (other commodities)

A - Expenditure

B - Compensation

C - Revenue

REMARKS

Delete the last sentence of the remarks which should read as follows:

'This article is to cover the delivery to the developing countries of products other than cereals, dairy products and sugar, in order to ensure a better nutritional balance in the beneficiary countries.

It is also intended for financing of the special food aid action for the benefit of the least advanced countries.'

Justification

The food aid action for the benefit of the least advanced countries does not require the adoption of a specific regulation by the Council; the entry of the appropriations necessary for this action in the budget and the remarks indicating its purpose are sufficient for implementation. The non-compulsory nature of this expenditure derives from the characteristics of the envisaged action.