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INTERIM REPORT

drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Budgets

on the ~~postponement~~ of the decision on the discharge in respect of the financial
year 1976

Rapporteur: Mr H. AIGNER

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At its meeting of 20 June 1978 the Committee on Budgets felt that, before submitting to Parliament a proposal for a decision on the discharge for 1976, it should draw up a motion for a resolution on the postponement of that decision.

At the same meeting it appointed Mr AIGNER rapporteur and unanimously adopted the motion for a resolution.

Present : Mr LANGE, chairman; Mr AIGNER, vice-chairman and rapporteur; Mr BANGEMANN, vice-chairman; Lord BESSBOROUGH, Mrs DAHLERUP, Mr FRUH, Mr RIPAMONTI, Mr SPINELLI and Mr YEATS.

The explanatory statement will be presented orally.

The Committee on Budgets hereby submits to the European Parliament the following motion for a resolution:

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

on the postponement of the decision on the discharge in respect of the financial year 1976

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 206b thereof,
 - having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 180b thereof,
 - having regard to the Treaty amending certain financial provisions of the Treaties establishing the European Communities, and in particular Article 28(2) thereof,
 - having regard to the Financial Regulation of 25 April 1973, and in particular Article 91 thereof,
 - having regard to the Financial Regulation of 21 December 1977, and in particular the first paragraph of Article 85 thereof,
 - whereas the report of the Audit Board on the accounts for the financial year 1976 was completed on 24 October 1977, not on 15 July as prescribed;
 - whereas it was forwarded to Parliament and to the Council on 7 December 1977;
 - whereas the replies of the Institutions to the comments in the Audit Board's report were forwarded to Parliament on 18 May 1978,
 - whereas the Council has not yet forwarded the recommendation specified in Article 85 of the Financial Regulation of 21 December 1977,
1. Postpones to its October part-session the decision on the discharge to be given in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 1976;
 2. Demands that all the institutions comply with the obligations imposed by the Financial Regulation, in particular as regards the time limits for the submission of the documents preparatory to the discharge decision and as regards the submission of replies to the comments contained in the report;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission of the European Communities as well as to the other institutions.