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Report

drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Budgets

on / modifications to the European Parliament's estimates of revenue and expenditure for the 1974 financial year (Section I of the draft budget of the Communities)

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The Committee on Budgets and the Bureau delivered their opinions on 17 and 18 October 1973 respectively, pursuant to Rule 50 of the Rules of Procedure on certain proposals concerning the establishment plan and estimates of the European Parliament for the financial year 1974 (section I of the draft general budget of the Communities).

Mr Gerlach, rapporteur on the 1974 estimates, was instructed to present a draft report on the proposed modifications.

At its meeting of 9 November 1973, the Committee on Budgets adopted the motion for a resolution together with explanatory statement.

The following were present: Mr Spénale, Chairman,
Mr Aigner and Mr Rossi, vice-chairmen,
Mr Artzinger, Mr Boano, Mr Christensen
(deputizing for Mr Wieldraaijer), Mr Durand,
Mr Durieux, Mr Fabbrini, Mr Federspiel
(deputizing for Mr Houdet), Mr Fellermaier
(deputizing for Mr Adams), Mr Gibbons
(deputizing for Mr Nolan), Mr Memmel,
Mr Müller, Mr Notenboom, Mr Petre, Mr Pounder,
Sir Brandon Rhys Williams, Mr Schmidt,
Mr Terrenoire, Mr Thomsen (deputizing for
Lord Bessborough), Mr Wohlfart, Mr Yeats
(deputizing for Mr Laudrin).

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The Committee on Budgets hereby submits the following motion for a resolution to the European Parliament together with explanatory statement

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

on modifications to the European Parliament's estimates of revenue and expenditure for the 1974 financial year (Section I of the draft general budget of the Communities)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rules 23A, 49 and 50 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report drawn up by the Committee on Budgets and the proposed modifications annexed thereto (Doc. 230/73)
1. Amends the 1974 draft estimates as indicated in the proposed modifications (Doc. 187/39, Doc. 187/36, Doc. 187/35, Doc. 187/34, Doc. 187/20);
 2. Accordingly adopts the final estimates of revenue and expenditure for 1974, amounting to ;¹
 3. Instructs its President to inform the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

¹ To be filled in after vote has been taken.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

1. In passing the resolution of 7 June 1973 on its estimates for 1974 Parliament did not make any amendment to the establishment plan. It did, however, decide not to make any amendments to the establishment plan until the draft budget of the Communities is examined, so that account can be taken of the situation obtaining once the procedures now in hand to fill vacancies, particularly those arising from the enlargement of the Community, are completed.
2. At its meeting of 8 and 9 November 1973, the Committee on Budgets considered the proposed modifications annexed hereto.
3. By 13 votes in favour and 9 against, it approved the principle of granting a secretarial allowance to each member. The amount of this allowance was fixed at 300 u.a. per month by 12 votes in favour with 10 abstentions. This decision is reflected in proposed modification No. 39, tabled on behalf of the Committee on Budgets.
4. In the light of the foregoing, the committee felt that the strength of the establishment of the political group secretariats and the question of their secretariat costs should be reconsidered. It therefore referred back to the Bureau its proposals of 18 October 1973.
5. The committee then approved by 19 votes to one the principle of setting up a secretariat for the newly formed Communist and Allies Group.
6. It adopted a proposed modification (No. 187/36) concerning changes to the establishment plan of the Parliament's secretariat.
7. It adopted a proposed modification concerning the share of the expenditure of the ECSC auditor shown in Parliament's estimates (No. 187/34).
8. The Committee on Budgets adopted a proposed modification inserting the share of expenditure of the Audit Board of the Communities in the estimates of Parliament (No. 187/35).
9. Proposed modification No. 187/18 was rejected with 14 votes against and 11 abstentions.
10. The Committee on Budgets finally decided unanimously that a number of material facilities for the Parliament's work should be envisaged both in Luxembourg and Strasbourg, including in particular:
 - an automatic system for paging Members;
 - a closed circuit television network in Luxembourg;

- offices for Members;
- a shorthand-typing centre for Members;
- direct telephone lines connecting Strasbourg and Luxembourg to the capitals of the nine Member States.

11. At the end of its discussions, the committee unanimously adopted this report.

9 November 1973

187/39

DRAFT GENERAL BUDGET of the European Communities for the financial year 1974 (Doc. 187/73)

PROPOSED MODIFICATION No. 39
tabled by the Committee on Budgets

SECTION I: PARLIAMENT

(A) Expenditure

Title I, Chapter 10 - Members of the institution
Article 100A: Members' secretarial allowance:
Enter an appropriation of 712,800 u.a.

(B) Revenue

Increase the expenditure accordingly.

JUSTIFICATION

This appropriation is intended to assist members individually. It is calculated on the basis of 300 u.a. per month per member.

Financial implications

Under the provisions currently in force the proposed modification will affect the budget as follows:

SECTION I - PARLIAMENT

Expenditure

Title I - Chapter 10 - Article 100A 'Members' secretarial allowance'

Enter an appropriation of 712,800 u.a.

Title 2 - Chapter 29 - Article 290

Increase appropriations by 8,209 u.a.

Revenue

Title 1 'Own resources': Increase by 82,087 u.a.

Title 5 'Contributions' Article 550 : Increase by 628,790 u.a.

Article 560 : Increase by 10,132 u.a.

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DRAFT GENERAL BUDGET of the European Communities for the financial year 1974 (Doc. 187/73)

PROPOSED MODIFICATION NO. 18

tabled by Mr BERTRAND, Mr DEWULF, Miss LULLING, Mr RADOUX, Mr BREGEGERE, Mr DELMOTTE and Mr HOUGARDY

SECTION I - PARLIAMENT

Establishment Plan

Change four B3-2 posts to B1 in the Directorate-General for Information and Public Relations.

JUSTIFICATION

The workload of the assistants responsible for organizing and operating the Brussels, Paris and Rome Offices is constantly growing.

The same situation can be expected to arise at the London Office.

DRAFT GENERAL BUDGET OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES FOR THE FINANCIAL
YEAR 1974 (Doc. 187/73)

PROPOSED MODIFICATION No. 36

tabled under the Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament by the
Committee on Budgets

SECTION I : Parliament

Parliament's establishment plan to be amended to allow the following
changes and new posts to be entered in the 'permanent' column:

A - Conversion of posts

Category A	1 A 5/4 into A/3	
	1 A/5 into A/4	
Category B	1 B/3 into B/2	
Category C	1 C 1 into B 5/4	
	1 C 3/2 into C 1	
	1 C 5/4 into C 3/2	
		i.e. 6 <u>post conversions</u>

B - New posts

Category A	1 A/3	
	6 A7/6	
Category LA	1 LA 3	
Category B	1 B 1	
	5 B 3/2	
	7 B 5/4	
Category C	3 C 1	principal secretary
	2 C 1	principal technician
	1 C 1	assistant chief usher
	7 C 3/2	secretary
	1 C 3/2	clerical officer
	1 C 5/4	assistant clerical officer
Category D	4 D 1	Parliamentary usher
		i.e. 40 <u>new posts</u>

EXPENDITURE

Adjust expenditure accordingly.

REVENUE

Adjust revenue accordingly.

JUSTIFICATION

Paragraph 1 of the resolution on the estimates of the European

FORSLAG TIL ALMINDELIGT BUDGET for De europæiske Fællesskaber for regnskabs-
året 1974 (dok. 187/73)

FORSLAG TIL ÆNDRING NR. 36

stillet af budgetudvalget i henhold til Europa-Parlamentets forretningsorden

SEKTION I - PARLAMENTET

Parlamentets stillingsfortegnelse ændres ved følgende omdannelser af stillinger og oprettelse af nye stillinger i kolonnen "fastansat":

A - Omdannelser af stillinger

Kategori A	1 A 5-4 til A 3
	1 A 5 til A 4
Kategori B	1 B til B 2
Kategori C	1 C 1 til B 5-4
	1 C 3-2 til C 1
	1 C 5-4 til C 3-2

i alt 6 omdannelser af stillinger

B - Oprettelse af nye stillinger

Kategori A	1 A 3
	6 A 7-6
Sprogtjenesten	1 L/A 3
Kategori B	1 B 1
	5 B 3-2
	7 B 5-4
Kategori C	3 C 1 chefsekretærer
	2 C 1 ledende tekniker
	1 C 1 souschef for betjenttjenesten
	7 C 3-2 sekretærer
	1 C 3-2 kontorist
	1 C 5-4 kontormedhjælper
Kategori D	4 D 1 parlamentetsbetjent

i alt oprettelse af 40 nye stillinger

Udgifter

Udgifterne ændres i overensstemmelse hermed.

Indtægter

Indtægterne ændres i overensstemmelse hermed.

DRAFT GENERAL BUDGET of the European Communities
for the financial year 1974 (Doc. 187/73)

PROPOSED MODIFICATION No. 35
tabled by the Committee on Budgets

SECTION I : PARLIAMENT

(A) Expenditure

Title 3 - Expenditure resulting from the institution carrying out
special functions

Chapter 37, Article 374 - Expenditure of the Audit Board

Increase the appropriations by 40,610 u.a.

(B) Revenue

Increase the revenue accordingly.

JUSTIFICATION

This modification is intended merely to adapt the share of appropriations provided for in the estimates of the European Parliament to that provided for in the estimates of the Council.

Financial implications

Under the provisions currently in force the proposed modification will affect the budget as follows:

SECTION I - PARLIAMENT

Expenditure

Title 3 - Chapter 37 - Article 374

Increase appropriations by 40,610 u.a.

Title 2 - Chapter 29 - Article 290

Increase appropriations by 468 u.a.

Revenue

Title 1 'Own resources' :	increase by 4,677 u.a.
Title 5 'Contributions' Article 550:	increase by 35,824 u.a.
Article 560:	increase by 577 u.a.

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DRAFT GENERAL BUDGET of the European Communities
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PROPOSED MODIFICATION No. 34
tabled by the Committee on Budgets

SECTION I - PARLIAMENT

(A) Expenditure

Title 3 - Expenditure resulting from the Institution carrying out
special functions

Chapter 37 - Article 375 - Contribution to expenditure of ECSC Auditor

Enter an appropriation of 80,988 u.a.

(B) Revenue

Increase the revenue accordingly.

JUSTIFICATION

At the time the European Parliament established its estimates for the financial year 1974, the appropriations for the ECSC Auditor's expenses were not yet known.

Financial implications

Under the provisions currently in force the proposed modification will affect the budget as follows:

SECTION I - PARLIAMENT

Expenditure

Title 3 - Chapter 37 - Article 375

Contribution to expenditure of ECSC Auditor

Increase appropriations by 80,988 u.a.

Title 2 - Chapter 29 - Article 290

Increase appropriations by 933 u.a.

Revenue

Title 1 'Own resources' : increase by 9,328 u.a.

Title 5 'Contributions' Article 550: increase by 71,442 u.a.

Article 560: increase by 1,151 u.a.

DRAFT GENERAL BUDGET of the European Communities
for the financial year 1974 (Doc. 187/73)

PROPOSED MODIFICATION No. 20

tabled by Mr SCHUIJT, on behalf of the
Committee on Cultural Affairs and Youth

SECTION I : EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

(A) Expenditure

Title 4 - Chapter 41 - Article 413 'Scholarships' - item 4139

Insert an appropriation of 22,000 u.a.

Insert the following remark:

'This appropriation is intended to help guarantee the inter-institutional and functionally independent political character of the programme for inviting young American citizens to Europe (Schuijt proposal)'

(B) Revenue

Increase the revenue accordingly.

JUSTIFICATION

The programme for inviting 'potential leaders' of American nationality has its origin in a proposal made by the European Parliament. It is therefore appropriate that Parliament should make a financial contribution to its implementation. It is also important to assert the inter-institutional character of the operation as well as the functional semi-independence of the department responsible for the administration of the programme.

Item 4139 'Other scholarships' always appear in the draft budget of the European Parliament for the good reason that appropriations were made under this heading in the early sixties. It could now well be reactivated.

Financial implications

Under the current provisions, this proposed modification would have the following effects on the budget:

SECTION I - EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Expenditure

Title 4 - Chapter 41 - Article 413 'Scholarships'

Increase this appropriation by 22,000 u.a.

SECTION III - COMMISSION

Expenditure

Title 2 - Chapter 29 - Article 290 'Lump sum repayment of costs incurred in collection of own resources'

Increase this appropriation by 253 u.a.

Revenue

Title 1 - 'Own resources'

Increase these resources by 2,533 u.a.

Title 5 - 'Contributions'

Article 550:

Increase these contributions by 19,407 u.a.

Article 560:

Increase these contributions by 313 u.a.
