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of the Committee on Budgets

on the changes made by the Council
to Parliament's amendments to

Sections I (Parliament),
II (Council - Annex: Economic and Social Committee),
IV (Court of Justice) and V (Court of Auditors)

of the draft general budget of the European Communities
for the financial year 1991
(C3-371/90)

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**II = Cooperation procedure (second reading) which requires the votes of a majority of the current Members of Parliament for rejection or amendment

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On 15 and 19 November 1990 the Council took decisions on Sections I (Parliament), II (Council - Annex: Economic and Social Committee), IV (Court of Justice) and V (Court of Auditors) of the draft general budget of the European Communities for the financial year 1991, as amended and modified by the European Parliament at first reading on 25 October 1990.

At its meetings of 26-27 November, 3-4 December and 10 December 1990, the Committee on Budgets considered and amended the modified draft budget. At the last meeting it considered and adopted the motion for a resolution unanimously.

The following were present for the vote: von der Vring, chairman; Lamassoure, first vice-chairman; Cornelissen, second vice-chairman; Welsh, third vice-chairman; Theato, rapporteur; Adam (for Desama), Arias Canete, Elles, Goedmakers, Kellett-Bowman, Langes, Lo Giudice, Napoletano (for Colajanni), Pasty, Samland, Tomlinson, Wynn and Zavvos.

The explanatory statement will be presented orally by the rapporteur.

The report was tabled on 10 December 1990.

The deadline for tabling amendments is 5 p.m. on 11 December 1990.

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

on the changes made by the Council to Parliament's amendments to Sections I (Parliament), II (Council - Annex: Economic and Social Committee), IV (Court of Justice) and V (Court of Auditors) of the draft general budget of the European Communities for the financial year 1991

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the amendments adopted by Parliament at first reading on 25 October 1990 and its resolution of 25 October 1990 on the draft general budget for the financial year 1991¹,
- having regard to the Council's decisions of 19 November on the draft budget as amended and modified by Parliament at first reading (C3-371/90),
- having regard to the agreement reached on _____ between the three institutions amending the financial perspective annexed to the Interinstitutional Agreement of 29 June 1988,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (A3-360/90),

I - As regards the European Parliament

1. Notes that the amendments tabled by Parliament to its own budget have not been changed by the Council;
2. Points out that, in respect of certain outstanding matters, such as the status of assistants, the Members' pensions scheme and data-processing, proposals must be put forward in accordance with the provisions of its resolution of 17 May 1990 on the estimates of Parliament for 1991² or its above-mentioned resolution on the 1991 draft budget;
3. Instructs the Secretary-General, in view of the financial arrangements that have been made for this purpose, to complete Parliament's purchase of offices in Athens in 1991;

II - As regards the other institutions

4. Welcomes the Council's approval, at second reading, of Parliament's amendment providing for appropriations to cover the publication of all the judgements of the Court of Justice to be entered against the appropriate budget headings;
5. Regrets, however, that the Council has not approved all the amendments concerning the other institutions and has not divulged the reasoning behind its decisions;

¹ Minutes of proceedings of the sitting of 25 October 1990, Part II(a)

² OJ No. C 149, 18.6.1990

6. Takes the view that the increases in appropriations proposed by Parliament at first reading represented the minimum required to enable the Community institutions to operate at maximum efficiency and fulfil the tasks assigned to them;
7. Cannot, therefore, approve the position adopted by the Council and resolves to retable all the amendments which it adopted at first reading and which were rejected by the Council;

III - As regards the property policy of the institutions

8. Recalls its position on the property policy of all the institutions, as set out in its resolution on the 1990 budget procedure, which advocates the drafting, in good time, of a general report in which the institutions establish their real needs in respect of appropriations to cover the costs arising out of the occupation of their premises, regardless of the arrangements involved.
9. Welcomes the approval by the Council and Commission, in the agreement on revision of the financial perspective, of the compromise confirming the value of an in-depth study, starting in 1991, of the property policy to be pursued by the Community in respect of its institutions, taking account of the criterion of sound management;
10. Urges, in this context, all the institutions to set up, early in 1991, an interinstitutional working party to consider property policy and its budgetary implications;
11. Undertakes, with the Council, in the light of the conclusions of the working party, which will first consider the matter of the buildings of the Court of Justice, to take all the necessary steps to ensure that the latter's Erasmus building is purchased in 1991;
12. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission.

