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from the Council of the European Communities

concerning the draft general budget of the European Communities for the financial year 1980

as modified by the Council on 30 June 1980

Brussels, 30 June 1980 . Telex No. 30/06/001

Mrs Simone VEIL President of the European Parliament P.O. Box 1601 Luxembourg

Subject: Draft general budget of the European Communities for the financial year 1980 as amended by Parliament and accompanied by a modification proposed by Parliament

Dear Madam President,

I have the honour to inform you that, at its meeting of 30 June 1980, the Council considered this draft budget with the Commission.

The Council decided not to modify any of the amendments adopted by Parliament. It also signified its agreement to the resulting new rate of 21.44% in respect of appropriations for commitment.

The Council wishes, however, to point out that this decision was taken without prejudice to the classification of the budget line referred to in amendment No. 43 (Chapter 54).

The Council rejected Parliament's proposed modification No. 60, being of the opinion that the appropriations entered in item 6200 of the draft budget (refunds on milk and milk products) represent a reasonable estimate of the expenditure foreseen under this heading in 1980.

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