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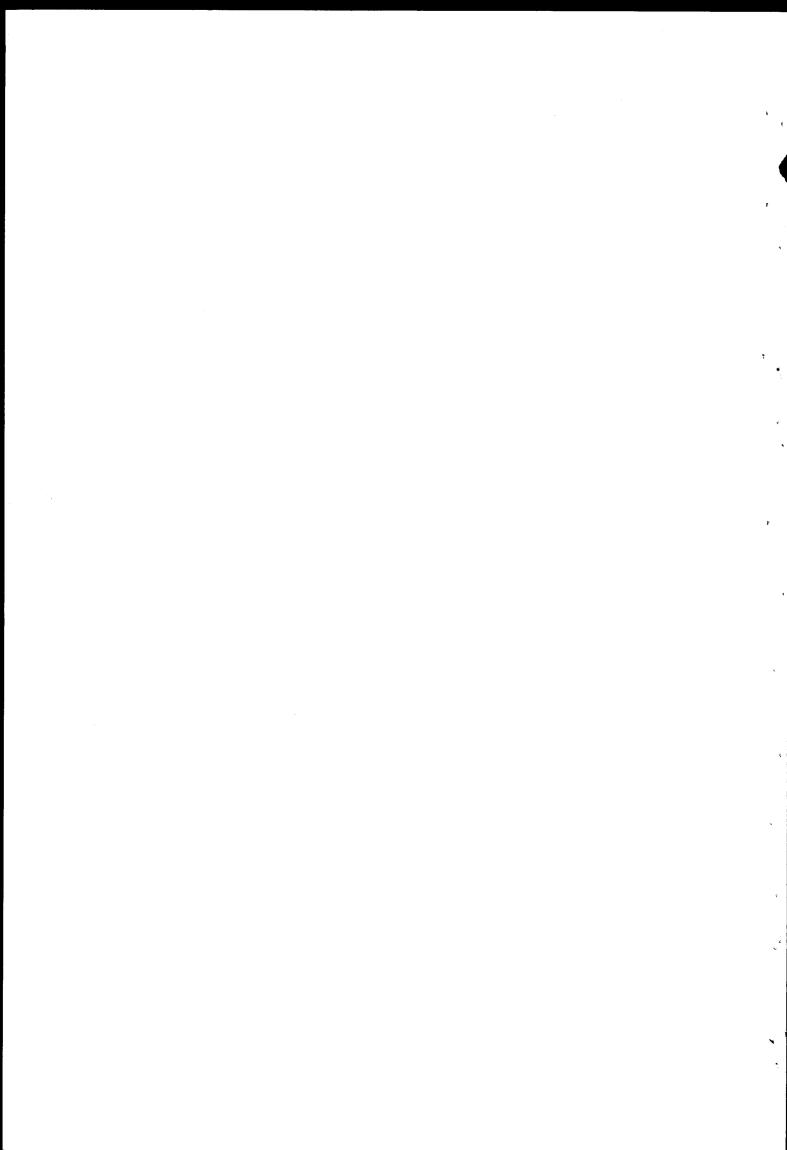
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Report

drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Budgets

on the initial list of requests to carry forward appropriations from the financial year 1974 to the financial year 1975 (appropriations not carried forward automatically) - (Doc. 40/75

Rapporteur: Mr M. SHAW



By letter of 11 April 1975 the President of the Council of the European Communities (received by Parliament on 14 April 1975) requested the European Parliament, pursuant to Article 6(2) of the Financial Regulation to deliver an opinion on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the non-automatic carrying forward of appropriations from the financial year 1974 to the financial year 1975.

On 28 April 1975, the President of the European Parliament referred this proposal to the Committee on Budgets as the committee responsible.

The Committee on Budgets appointed Mr SHAW rapporteur on 29 April 1975. It considered this proposal at its meeting of 29 April 1975.

At the same meeting, the committee unanimously adopted the motion for a resolution and the explanatory statement.

The following were present: Mr Lange, chairman; Mr Shaw, rapporteur; Mr Brugger, Mr de Clercq (deputizing for Mr Bangemann), Miss Flesch, Mr Lagorce, Lord Lothian, Mr Notenboom, Mr Pêtre, Mr Pianta (deputizing for Mr Houdet), Mr Pintat (deputizing for Mr Durand).

The explanatory statement will be given orally by the rapporteur.

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

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

on the initial list of requests to carry forward appropriations from the financial year 1974 to the financial year 1975 (appropriations not carried forward automatically)

The European Parliament,

- having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 6(2) of the financial regulation of the Communities, on the initial list of requests to carry forward non-automatic appropriations from the financial year 1974 to the financial year 1975 (Doc. 40/75);
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 80/75);
- Considers that decisions to carry forward appropriations should be of an exceptional character because, on the one hand, they are prejudicial to budgetary transparency and, on the other hand, they tend to indicate that budgetary estimates were too imprecise;
- 2. Notes with satisfaction the additional information provided by the Commission on the main operations in response to Parliament's request in the Resolution (Doc. 154/74)¹ on last year's request for the non-automatic carrying forward of appropriations;
- 3. Approves this initial request for the carrying forward of appropriations and asks the Council to consider them as early as possible, recognizing that these appropriations relate in certain instances to needs indicated by Parliament, in the exercise of its budgetary powers, when examining the annual budget.

¹O.J. No. C 85 of 18.7.1974

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