Adaptation of the financial framework to the conditions of implementation and technical adjustment for 2009 in line with movements in GNI

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The European Parliament adopted by 638 votes in favour, 21 against and 12 abstentions, a Resolution approving the proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 on budgetary discipline and sound financial management as regard adjustment of the multiannual financial framework. As a reminder, the majority required for the adoption of this text was a qualified majority +3/5 of votes cast (as set out in points 3 and 48 of the IIA).

The report had been tabled for plenary by Reimer **BÖGE** (EPP-ED, DE) on behalf of the Committee on Budgets.

The Parliament approves the amended annex of the IIA, as proposed by the Commission, recommending an adjustment of budget commitments to take into consideration the EUR 2 034 million (in current prices) that could not be committed or carried over, as a result of delays in the adoption of certain operational programmes of Headings 1b and 2 (mainly Structural Funds) of the financial framework 2007-2013.

This amount will be transferred to subsequent financial years by increasing the corresponding expenditure ceilings for commitment appropriations. The annex of the IIA, as amended and approved by the European Parliament, sets out the new amounts to be taken into consideration for the financial framework as from 2009, in light of this amendment (see the summary of the Commission’s proposal to that end).