2007 discharge: EU general budget, European Parliament

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PURPOSE: to present the final annual accounts of the European Communities for the financial year 2007 – Other institutions: section I – European Parliament.

CONTENT: this document establishes the level of expenditure and the balance sheet of the European Parliament for 2007 and presents an analysis of its financial management.

Total expenditure in 2007: EUR 1 344 470 437, including:

- **staff expenditure**: EUR 493 984 334;
- **fixed asset related expenditure**: EUR 81 531 449;
- **other administrative expenditure**: EUR 788 954 654.

The document reviews, item by item, all of the European Parliaments expenditure throughout 2007, proposing for each of the Directorates-General of the Parliament (DGs) activity and spending targets, DG by DG.

A detailed report of these targets appears in the different “Annual activity reports” of the different DGs of the European Parliament, as listed below:

- DG 1 – Directorate-General for the Presidency;
- DG 2 – Directorate-General for Internal Policies;
- DG 3 – Directorate-General for External Policies;
- DG 4 – Directorate-General for Information;
- DG 5 – Directorate-General for Personnel;
- DG 6 – Directorate-General for Infrastructure and Interpretation;
- DG 7 – Directorate-General for Translation and Publishing;
- DG 8 – Directorate-General for Finance.

Recall that (as in previous years) the **main axes of expenditure and key activity targets** of the European Parliament for 2007 are as follows:

1. Succeed with enlargement;
2. Develop information and communication policies;
3. Help the Parliament improve the quality of EU legislation;
4. Make better use of resources.

These main axes have been implemented in each of the aforementioned activity reports.