

# **Amending budget 3/2008: bluetongue vaccinations; Joint Technology Initiatives; EU Solidarity Fund; establishment plans of European Institute for Gender Equality and European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)**

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PURPOSE: final adoption of amending budget No 3 of the European Union for the financial year 2008.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Decision 2008/606/EC, Euratom.

CONTENT: the European Parliament effected the final adoption of amending budget 3/2008 of the European Union, in accordance with its resolution of 5 June 2008 (please refer to the summary of the resolution).

This amending budget covers the following issues:

- the budgeting of the revenue accruing from the Microsoft case (fine and interest totalling EUR 849 200 000),
- the budgeting of savings arising from the smaller than estimated increase for salaries and pensions of officials in 2007,
- the reinforcement of the emergency fund for veterinary measures due to the bluetongue crisis by EUR 130 million in commitment appropriations, and EUR 63 950 000 in payment appropriations,
- the creation of budgetary items to accommodate subsidies for four Joint Undertakings (IMI, Clean Sky, Artemis and ENIAC),
- the mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund for an amount of **EUR 98 million** in commitment and payment appropriations (relating to forest fires in Greece and floods in Slovenia),
- the modifications to the establishment plan of the European Institute for Gender Equality, and of the European Economic and Social Committee.