

Mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund: redundancies in mobile phone sector

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PURPOSE: to mobilise the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund following the application of two cases submitted by Germany and Finland concerning redundancies in the mobile phone sector.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Decision 2008/30/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund.

CONTENT: this Decision provides that the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund will be mobilised for a total amount of **EUR 14 794 688** for the general budget of the EU for the financial year 2007. The Fund is mobilised in favour of Germany and Finland in respect of redundancies in the mobile phone sector.

Germany submitted an application concerning redundancies in the mobile phone sector involving BenQ. Having examined a possible link between the redundancies and the major structural changes in the world trade patterns of mobile phones, Parliament and Council accept the application submitted by Germany. The contribution requested of the EGF is EUR 12 766 150.

Finland submitted an application relating to small labour markets involving a total of 915 redundancies in Perlos between March 2007 and July 2007. Parliament and Council Finland's application. The contribution requested of the EGF is EUR 2 028 538.

The European Globalisation Adjustment Fund was created to provide additional support to workers who suffer from the consequences of major structural changes in world trade patterns and to assist their reintegration into the labour market. The Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 allows the mobilisation of the Fund within the annual ceiling of EUR 500 million. Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006 ([EGF Regulation](#)) contains the provisions whereby the Fund may be mobilised.