Amending budget 7/2014: surplus 2013

2014/2225(BUD) - 17/12/2014 - Budgetary text adopted by Parliament

The European Parliament adopted by 620 votes to 39, with 43 abstentions, a resolution on the Council position on Draft amending budget No 8/2014 of the European Union for the financial year 2014, Section III – Commission.

Parliament recalled that this DAB was presented by the Commission because the Conciliation Committee could not reach an agreement on Draft amending budget No 2/2014, which had the exact same purpose and content as DAB No 8/2014 (that is to enter in the 2014 budget the surplus from the 2013 financial year, amounting to EUR 1 005 million).

It stated that the Council had approved in its reading of 17 July 2014, while the Parliament had introduced an amendment to it in its position in order to maintain its political and procedural link with DABs No 3 /2014, 4/2014, 5/2014, 6/2014 and 7/2014.

Blocking of DAB No 2/2014: Parliament pointed out that the **Conciliation Committee could not reach an agreement on the adoption of DAB No 2/2014** because of the differences in positions between the Parliament and the Council on the outstanding payment needs for 2014 and the package of DABs No 2 -7 /2014, and **not on the contents of DAB No 2/2014 per se**.

Lastly, Parliament recalled that the adoption of this DAB No 8/2014 will reduce the share of the GNI contribution from Member States to the Union budget by EUR 1 005 million and will therefore partly compensate for their contribution to the financing of DABs No 3, 5 and 7/2014.