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The rapporteur considered that the additional ECU 70 million was not enough to respond to the programme’s requirements. However, as this amount exceeded that initially offered by the Council and even the amount proposed by the Commission (ECU 50 million), Mrs Pack urged Parliament to accept this. While sharing the rapporteur’s view that this increase was insufficient, Commissioner Bjerregaard stressed that the Socrates programme provided a solid basis which would allow the European Union to create an even closer relationship with its citizens.