2004 enlargement: adjustment of financial perspective for 2004-2006

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The Council approved two Decisions of the European Parliament and the Council on the adjustment and revision of the EU's financial perspectives in order to take account of the Union's enlargement with the accession of 10 new Member States. The Council also approved a statement declaring in particular that the budgetary figures mentioned in annex to the Accession Treaty are without prejudice to the rights of Parliament and the Interinstitutional Agreement of 6 May 1999 on budgetary discipline and procedures. The statement notes agreement on a revision of the heading of the current financial perspective relating to internal policies, providing for an increase of EUR 480 million for the 2004-2006 period, of which: - EUR 50 million for 2004, - EUR 190 million for 2005 and - EUR 240 million for 2006. The text on the revision of the financial perspectives was approved by qualified majority, the Belgian delegation voting against.