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The ESC could not but approve these proposals, which merely implemented decisions already taken under the budgetary procedure. It noted that the proposed increase in no way implied an increase in the overall research effort. This adjustment was all the more necessary as the budget initially allocated for the implementation of the framework programme had been inadequate. Because this increase was across the board, it did not affect research priorities or the balance between the specific programmes. The ESC stressed that these proposals should not serve as a pretext for reopening a debate on this matter. It pointed out that under the Decisions on the framework programme (1994-1998), a possible extra ECU 700 million could be granted by 30 June 1996 at the latest for carrying out the framework programme, in the light of a review of its implementation to date.