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The committee adopted the report by Mr Rolf LINKHOR, coming out in favour of the ECU 700 million proposed by the Commission. Although this overall reference amount was acceptable, the EC share of the fourth framework programme would rise from ECU 11,764 million to ECU 12,369 million (the Commission had proposed 12,359) and the EURATOM share would rise from ECU 1,336 million to ECU 1,431 million (the Commission had proposed 1,441), meaning an overall increase from 13,100 to 13,800. The committee's amendments included the possibility, as far as funding was concerned, of spreading the additional reference amount over 3 years (1997-1999 inclusive), i.e. it made provision for funding to carry over to the year following the conclusion of the fourth programme (planned for 1998), in order to take account of the Council's reticence. It pointed out that the financial perspectives needed to be reviewed in order to safeguard the funding. The committee was in favour of reducing the EURATOM share and increasing the appropriations for the EC share of the fourth framework programme by the ECU 10 million.