Amending budget 2/2004: section VIII part B: European data-protection Supervisor

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PURPOSE : to present the Preliminary Draft Amending Budget (PDAB) No 1 to the budget for 2004. General statement of revenue and expenditure by section - Section VIII Part B : European Data-protection Supervisor. CONTENT : this proposal provides appropriations for the budget lines in Section VIII Part B of the 2004 budget to finance the European Data-protection Supervisor. This budgetary framework for the European Data-protection Supervisor has mainly been based on the budget allocations for the European Ombudsman, an institution which is comparable as regards its size and as its type. This amending budget contains a total of EUR 1 272 000 in expenditure and EUR 90 000 in revenue. It also proposes the entry of 15 posts in the establishment plan of Section VIII Part B. This proposal is identical to the budget adopted in 2002 for Section VIII Part B in terms of expenditure and the establishment plan. It is slightly different in terms of revenue to take account of the impact of the transitional reform measures on revenue. The Supervisor has now been appointed and it is important that his budget be allocated the amount he needs to start his duties. As he has been appointed only recently and there is no practical possibility of him presenting an amending budget in such a short term, the Commission proposes that the appropriations and establishment plan approved by the budgetary authority in the 2002 budget be entered in Section VIII Part B. The Supervisor himself could present another amending budget in the course of 2004 to fine-tune the budget and/or establishment plan in Section VIII Part B.