2003 discharge: Translation Centre for the bodies of the Union

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PURPOSE : presentation of the financial statements and the balance sheets for the Translation Centre for the bodies of the European Union for the financial year 2003.

CONTENT : this report presented by the Translation Centre presents the financial statements and balance sheets of its activities in 2003.

The final budget for the year 2003 amounts to EUR 29 million.

As regards the staffing of the Centre, whose headquarters is in Luxembourg, the total staff amounts officially to 158 with 132 posts occupied plus 15 other posts making a total of 147 assigned to operational, administrative and mixed duties.

The Centre's main objective is to provide the necessary translation services to the Agencies and, if need be, to the institutions and bodies of the European Union. In total, the number of pages translated in 2003 amounted to 238 399. Number of pages per language official languages: 221 127. Other languages: 17 272. Number of pages per customer type bodies: 215 992; institutions et al.: 22 407. The number of freelance translation contracts amounted to 245 with 94 355 pages translated.