2003 discharge: European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia

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PURPOSE : to present the accounts and balance sheets of the European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia for the financial year 2003.

CONTENT : the resources made available to the Centre in 2003 amount to EUR 6.575 million of which the Community subsidized 98.8%.

As regards the staffing policy, 30 posts were initially created in the establishment plan. 26 are occupied with + 4 other staff (auxiliary contracts, seconded national experts, local and agency staff) making a total of 30 staff. 17 carry out operational, administrative and mixed duties.

The European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia, whose headquarters are based in Vienna, aims to provide the Community with objective, reliable and comparable data on the phenomena of racism, xenophobia and anti-Semitism.

Concerning the products and services supplied in 2003, the Monitoring Centre highlights that the number of contributions through 15 national focal points amounted to 165. 22 reports in the PHARE programme framework were drafted. 12 research reports were drafted. Concerning the cooperation with the Member States and the other institutions (number of events organised jointly): Member States: 19; Commission: 2; European Parliament: 2; Council of Europe: 4.