2003 discharge: EC general budget, Committee of the Regions

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Alexander STUBB (EPP-ED, FI) granting the

Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget for the 2003 financial year. (Please see the summary of 17/03/2005.) The Committee of the Regions administered a budget of EUR 38 999 436, of which 97.29 % had been committed and 86.58% spent by 31 December 2003. Parliament noted it has received neither the Committee of the Regions' report pursuant to Article 86(4) of the Financial Regulation, nor the Internal Auditor's annual report. It also noted that the position of internal auditor was not occupied during the latter half of 2004 and was eventually advertised in a vacancy notice on two occasions. Parliament wanted to be informed about the outcome of this recruitment procedure.

Finally, Parliament welcomed the fact that the Committee regularly evaluates the impact of its political work, and asked to also receive the annual impact reports in the context of the discharge procedures.