

Amending budget 6/2005: section III

Commission, general statement of revenue

2005/2172(BUD) - 08/09/2005 - Commission preliminary draft budget

PURPOSE: To present a preliminary draft amending budget (no 6 to the budget for 2005) in order to offer EU Solidarity Funds to Sweden, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania for damage caused by severe storms in 2005.

CONTENT: In early January 2005 major storms caused extensive damage to large parts of northern Europe. Within a ten week deadline, Sweden, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania applied for financial assistance from the EU Solidarity Fund. Of the EUR 1 billion made available to the Solidarity Fund in 2005, a total of EUR 994.3 million is still available for use. Having examined and evaluated in detail the requests of the aforementioned Member States, the Commission considers it feasible to offer a total amount of EUR 92.88 million from the Solidarity Funds. It will be divided as follows:

- Sweden, a total of EUR 81 724 975
- Estonia, a total of EUR 1 289 765
- Latvia, a total of EUR 9 487 780
- Lithuania, a total of EUR 378 910

In other words, an overall total of EUR 92 880 830