

# **Nuclear safety: 1st instalment of the 3rd Community contribution to the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development EBRD for the Chernobyl Shelter Fund**

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The committee adopted the report by Janusz LEWANDOWSKI (EPP-ED, PL) approving the proposed decision on the first instalment of the third Community contribution to the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development for the Chernobyl Shelter Fund. The committee adopted just two amendments (under the consultation procedure):

- Article 1(2) should specify that the contribution "shall be financed against available annual budgetary appropriations". This amendment was prompted by the fact that the sums earmarked for commitment appropriations in the 2006 budget were lower than those envisaged by the present Decision, which had not been adopted by the time of adoption of the 2006 budget. As the difference will be covered by a transfer, the committee wanted to preserve Parliament's right to agree on a future transfer;
- the budgetary authority (which includes Parliament), and not merely the Court of Auditors, should be kept informed of all Community-financed operations of the Chernobyl Shelter Fund.