2005 discharge: European Aviation Safety Agency

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PURPOSE: presentation of the final accounts of the European Aviation Safety Agency for the financial year 2005.

CONTENT: this document published in the Official Journal of the EU sets out a detailed account of the implementation of the 2005 budget, including the revenue and expenditure and the balance sheet for the year concerned.

According to this document, the final budget amounted to **EUR 36.5 million** including EUR 8.6 million of revenue from fees and charges and EUR 18.6 million from Community subsidy.

As regards the staffing policy, the Agency, whose headquarters are now based in Cologne (Germany), set out a total of 200 posts in the establishment plan. 132 of these posts are currently occupied + 21 other posts totalling **153** assigned to operational, administrative and mixed tasks. Staff expenditure in 2005 accounted for EUR 16.192 million.

The Agency, set up in 2002 by Regulation 1592/2002/EC is in its second year of operation in its new headquarters.

Its activities mainly consisted of implementing the missions set out in Regulation 1592/2002/EC, such as:

- 4 opinions concerning amendments to Regulations Nos 1592/2002, 1702/2003 and 2042/2003; 1 opinion concerning the acceptance of navigation database suppliers; 5 opinions on opt-outs requested by EASA Member States; 1 amendment of CS 25 certification specifications; 1 amendment of Acceptable Means of Compliance and Guidance Material for Regulation No 2042/2003; 2 new cooperation agreements with China regarding Eurocopter and Dassault products; extension of the cooperation agreement with the Aeronautical Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States; certification decisions including 490 Airworthiness directives; 249 European Technical Specifications; as well as standardisation inspections in several countries.

The complete version of the final accounts may be found at the following address:

http://www.easa.europa.eu/home/mb_2006_en.html