Basic information

1994/2140(INI) INI - Own-initiative procedure	Procedure completed
Incorporation of the ECSC in the EC budget **Subject** 8.70.40 Basic budgetary texts	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	COLOM I NAVAL Joan (PSE)	19/07/1995

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
ENER Research, Technological Development and Energy	ADAM Gordon J. (PSE)	23/04/1996
REGI Regional Policy	CRAMPTON Peter Duncan (PSE)	22/04/1996
CONT Budgetary Control	BLAK Freddy (PSE)	24/07/1996

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
26/10/1994	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
02/10/1996	Vote in committee		Summary
02/10/1996	Committee report tabled for plenary	A4-0302/1996	
14/11/1996	Debate in Parliament		
15/11/1996	End of procedure in Parliament		
02/12/1996	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1994/2140(INI)
Procedure type	INI - Own-initiative procedure

Procedure subtype	Initiative
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	BUDG/4/06014

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A4-0302/1996 OJ C 347 18.11.1996, p. 0005	02/10/1996	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T4-0629/1996 OJ C 362 02.12.1996, p. 0315-0327	15/11/1996	Summary

Incorporation of the ECSC in the EC budget

1994/2140(INI) - 15/11/1996 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

Adopting the report by Mr Joan COLOM I NAVAL (PSE, E), the European Parliament voted in favour of incorporating the ECSC into the Community budget, given that the Treaty establishing the ECSC is due to expire in 2002. It reiterated its view that activities such as research and social and regional measures should be phased out of the ECSC framework and phased into the appropriate EU budgetary framework. The European Parliament, in its capacity as a legislative and budgetary authority, should be closely involved in the process. The European Commission was called on to produce a study (which was due in spring 1996) setting out a detailed picture of the current situation and the prospects for ECSC reserves. It was also requested to provide information about borrowing and lending operations. Furthermore, in anticipation of enlargement, it also needs to say what arrangements it will make under the PHARE and TACIS programmes to enable the coal and steel industries in the CEECs to complete the necessary transition. The report believed that the balances of remaining ECSC assets should be transferred to the Union and could be administered by an EU body. The Commission was therefore called on to draw up a study with a view to establishing a European coal and steel foundation or agency, the initial capital of which would consist of the remaining ECSC appropriations and the operational and administrative expenditure of which would be covered in the EU budget. Interest earned on the capital would be paid into the EU budget and used to cofinance multiannual research programmes relating to coal and steel and the social situation.