Basic information

1997/2236(BUD) BUD - Budgetary procedure	Procedure completed
Supplementary and amending budget 1/1997: section III Commission, section V Court of auditors **Subject** 8.70.60 Previous annual budgets	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	BRINKHORST Laurens Jan (ELDR) FABRA VALLÉS Juan Manuel (PPE)	17/07/1997 17/07/1997

Former committee responsible	Former rapporteur	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	BRINKHORST Laurens Jan (ELDR) FABRA VALLÉS Juan Manuel (PPE)	14/05/1997 14/05/1997

Former committee for opinion	Former rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs, Industrial Policy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	18/06/1997
ENER Research, Technological Development and Energy	MCNALLY Eryl Margaret (PSE)	27/05/1997
ENVI Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection	FLORENZ Karl-Heinz (PPE)	21/05/1997

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
General Affairs	2027	1997-09-17
Environment	2017	1997-06-19

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
30/04/1997	Commission preliminary draft budget published	SEC(1997)0750	Summary
19/06/1997	Council draft budget published	09210/1997	
26/06/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
01/07/1997	Vote in committee		Summary
01/07/1997	Budgetary report tabled for plenary	A4-0232/1997	
15/07/1997	Debate in Parliament		
17/09/1997	Amended budget adopted by Council		
17/09/1997	Debate/examination by Council scheduled	10592/1997	Summary
30/09/1997	Vote in committee, 2nd reading		
30/09/1997	Budgetary report tabled for plenary, 2nd reading	A4-0299/1997	
09/10/1997	Formal reconsultation of Parliament		
20/10/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 2nd reading		
21/10/1997	Debate in Parliament		
23/10/1997	End of procedure in Parliament		
10/11/1997	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1997/2236(BUD)
Procedure type	BUD - Budgetary procedure
Procedure subtype	Budget
Legal basis	Euratom Treaty A 177 EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 203 ECSC Treaty C 078
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	BUDG/4/08931

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Budgetary report tabled for plenary, 1st reading		A4-0232/1997 OJ C 286 22.09.1997, p. 0007	01/07/1997	
Budgetary text adopted by Parliament		T4-0382/1997 OJ C 286 22.09.1997, p. 0176-0205	17/07/1997	Summary
		A4-0299/1997		

Budgetary report tabled for plenary, 2nd reading		OJ C 339 10.11.1997, p. 0006	30/09/1997	
Final budget adopted by Parliament		T4-0500/1997 OJ C 339 10.11.1997, p. 0086-0105	23/10/1997	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Council draft budget	09210/1997	19/06/1997	
Council amended draft budget	10592/1997	17/09/1997	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Commission preliminary draft budget	SEC(1997)0750	30/04/1997	Summary

Additional information		
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European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Supplementary and amending budget 1/1997: section III Commission, section V Court of auditors

1997/2236(BUD) - 17/07/1997 - Budgetary text adopted by Parliament

By adopting the report by Mr Laurens BRINKHORST (ELDR, NL) et Mr Juan Manuel FABRA VALLES (PPE, (E) on draft supplementary and amending budget No 1/97, Parliament approved the decision to grant the Commission 35 new posts to restructure DG XXIV and improve the coordination of the work of scientific committees. It called on the Commission to find the other posts required by means of redeployment, the conversion of vacant C posts into A posts and the 1998 post allocation; if these means should prove inadequate, it undertook to reconsider the situation. It also approved: - compensation of the additional expenditure arising from the new posts from the item 'Basic salaries' due to the favourable ECU/BF and ECU/FLUX rate, - the creation of a reserve for the agencies with unused subsidy appropriations, - the distribution of the reserve for the fourth framework programme of research, technological development and demonstration among the operational lines. Parliament called on the Commission to make use of the appropriations at its disposal to create 20 posts from 1997 in the anti-fraud unit (UCLAF), determining the nature of the posts in accordance with operating needs and available budgetary resources. Parliament approved the request from the Court of Auditors for the creation of 23 new posts, in addition to the 25 already provided for in the PDB for 1998. Altogether, therefore Parliament approved the creation of 48 new posts at the Court of Auditors.

Supplementary and amending budget 1/1997: section III Commission, section V Court of auditors

1997/2236(BUD) - 23/10/1997 - Final budget adopted by Parliament

In adopting the report by Mr Laurens BRINKHORST (ELDR, NL) and Mr Juan FABRA VALLES (PPE, E) on draft supplementary and amending budget No 1/97, Parliament welcomed Council approval of the decision to grant the Commission 35 new posts in order to set up the structures required for the reorganization of the services of DG XXIV (Consumer policy and consumer health protection) and to improve coordination of the work of the scientific committees. After noting the Council's reasons, it decided to retable a number of amendments concerning: - the creation of new posts aimed at augmenting the establishment plan of the Court of Auditors in the auditing sector (23 posts instead of the 10 posts approved by the Council); - the creation of a reserve for the Agencies with unused subsidy appropriations, - the distribution of the reserve for the fourth framework research programme on the operational lines, so as to support Parliament's priorities in the matter of anti-personnel mines.

Supplementary and amending budget 1/1997: section III Commission, section V Court of auditors

1997/2236(BUD) - 17/09/1997 - Council amended draft budget

Following Parliament's opinion, the Council adopted, at second reading, a draft supplementary and amending budget (no. 1/97), taking a position on each of the amendments adopted by Parliament. Following the second reading, the 1997 budget totals ECU 89 135.05 million in commitment appropriations and ECU 82 364.1 million in payment appropriations. The new rates of increase for non-compulsory expenditure (NCE) are 7.38% in commitment appropriations and 2.37% in payment appropriations. With regard to Parliament's amendments, the Council accepted the amendment for the creation of 10 new posts (1 A2, 5 A4, 1 A5, 3 A6) to establish the structures needed for the reorganization of the consumer policy and consumer health protection services. It also accepted the amendment relating to the appropriations needed in order to implement such reorganization. Regarding internal policies, the Council also accepted the amendment which provides for the financing of appropriations to be entered on the new line B5-103 (projects designed to improve consumer health) by taking ECU 0.5 million in commitment appropriations and ECU 0.2 million in payment appropriations from the appropriations entered in the reserve for line B2-5104 (Office for Veterinary and Plant Health Inspection and Control), in view of the Commission's decision to withdraw its proposal to set up this agency. On the other hand, the Council rejected the amendments relating to the reserve for the agencies and to research, on the grounds that the preliminary draft supplementary and amending budget submitted by the Commission had a limited objective. Lastly, the Council modified the amendment concerning the creation of 18 new posts at the Court of Auditors (1 A3, 12 A7, 3 C5 directly linked to the audit and 1 A7 and 1 C5 for administration) by bringing down the total number of new posts to 10 (3 A3 and 7 A7 linked to the audit). The amount of revenue shown in this amendment was adjusted accordingly.

Supplementary and amending budget 1/1997: section III Commission, section V Court of auditors

1997/2236(BUD) - 30/04/1997 - Commission preliminary draft budget

OBJECTIVE: submission by the Commission of a preliminary draft supplementary and amending budget (No 1/97) in order to make provision, inter alia, for the expenditure involved in the establishment of a new consumer health policy and in particular in the reorganization of the Commission's departments with regard to scientific opinions (scientific committees). A supplementary and amending budget has also been submitted for the Court of Auditors. SUBSTANCE: - Commission: the preliminary draft supplementary and amending budget contains requests for resources intended for the implementation of the new consumer health policy the needs of which have been put forward by the inquiry into 'mad cow' disease (BSE). The needs identified for the implementation of this new policy (in particular reorganization of the work of seven scientific committees responsible for health matters under the authority of a new directorate in DG XXIV 'Directorate for Scientific Opinions concerning Health') translate into new posts (109 posts of which 97 for new staff and 12 auxiliary staff) and redeployment of existing posts (153 posts, of which 96 internal transfers from 1997 onwards). In total the additional expenditure amounts to ECU 4 388 000 for staff and operating costs and data processing costs. The Commission would also like to undertake various measures to improve consumer health (Article B5-103), with appropriations totalling ECU 500 000. These are measures to improve the Community's scientific knowledge of products offered to consumers in the food sector and to increase health education. Total of the preliminary draft supplementary and amending budget No 1/97: ECU 4 888 000. - Court of Auditors: the Court considers it essential to improve its audit structures by setting up three new divisions which will allow a more rational implementation of its audits in the sectors relating to the statement of assurance in connection with the EAGGF Guarantee section, the coordination of intersectoral tasks as regards technical assistance contracts, the environment, analyses of risk areas and the annual audit of fifteen agencies and satellite bodies set up by the European Union. The Court also requests two posts to strength its administrative departments. The financial impact of these posts (including the new divisions, i.e. 23 posts in total) would be limited to ECU 450 000 for the last three months of 1997 and could be covered by the Court budget as adopted in December 1996.