Basic information

2008/2253(ACI) ACI - Interinstitutional agreement procedure	Procedure completed
EU Solidarity Fund: mobilisation for Martinique and Guadeloupe affected by a hurricane in 2007 **Subject** 3.70.11 Natural disasters, Solidarity Fund	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	BÖGE Reimer (PPE-DE)	20/09/2004

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
REGI Regional Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Environment	2898	2008-10-20

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Budget	GRYBAUSKAITĖ Dalia

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
15/09/2008	Non-legislative basic document published	COM(2008)0557	Summary
23/09/2008	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
13/10/2008	Vote in committee		Summary
14/10/2008	Committee report tabled for plenary	A6-0399/2008	
21/10/2008	Decision by Parliament	T6-0488/2008	Summary
21/10/2008	End of procedure in Parliament		
25/11/2008	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2008/2253(ACI)
Procedure type	ACI - Interinstitutional agreement procedure
Procedure subtype	Mobilisation of funds
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	BUDG/6/67056

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE412.342	29/09/2008	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A6-0399/2008	14/10/2008	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T6-0488/2008	21/10/2008	Summary

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Final act

Decision 2008/0879
OJ L 314 25.11.2008, p. 0013 Summary

EU Solidarity Fund: mobilisation for Martinique and Guadeloupe affected by a hurricane in 2007

2008/2253(ACI) - 22/10/2008 - Final act

PURPOSE: to mobilise the EU Solidarity Fund with respect to Martinique and Guadeloupe following the hurricane "Dean" in August 2007.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Decision 2008/879/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council 2008 on the mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund in accordance with point 26 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline and sound financial management.

CONTENT: this Decision provides that the European Union Solidarity Fund will be mobilised to provide the sum of **EUR 12 780 000 in commitment and payment appropriations** for the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2008. France submitted an application to mobilise the Fund, concerning a disaster caused by hurricane 'Dean' which affected Martinique and Guadeloupe in August 2007. This will be allocated under heading 3b of the financial framework.

The Commission will present an amending budget (AB) in order to enter in the 2008 budget the specific commitment and payment appropriations, as requested in Point 26 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 (see BUD/2008/2252).

The European Union has created the EU Solidarity Fund to show solidarity with the population of regions struck by disasters. The Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 allows the mobilisation of the Fund within the annual ceiling of EUR 1 billion.

EU Solidarity Fund: mobilisation for Martinique and Guadeloupe affected by a hurricane in 2007

2008/2253(ACI) - 15/09/2008 - Non-legislative basic document

PURPOSE: to mobilise the EU Solidarity Fund with respect to Martinique and Guadeloupe following the hurricane "Dean" in August 2007.

PROPOSED ACT: Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council.

CONTENT: the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 (ACI/2004/2099) allows for the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund through a flexibility mechanism, within the annual ceiling of EUR 1 billion, over and above the relevant headings of the financial framework.

The conditions of eligibility to the Fund are detailed in Council Regulation (EC) No 2012/2002 (please refer to CNS/2002/0228).

On the basis of application for assistance from the Fund by France following the hurricane "Dean" which affected Martinique and Guadeloupe in August 2007, total estimates of the damage caused are as follows:

- Direct damage: EUR 511 200 000;
- Aid proposed: EUR 12 780 000.

In the light of the examination of the application, and considering the maximum possible grant from the Fund as well as the scope for reallocating appropriations under the heading requiring additional expenditure, the Commission proposes to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund for a total amount of **EUR 12 780 000**, to be allocated under heading 3b of the financial framework.

By presenting this proposal to deploy the Fund, the Commission initiates the simplified trialogue procedure, as required by Point 26 of the Inter-institutional Agreement of 17 May 2006, in view of securing the agreement of the two arms of the budgetary authority on the need to use the Fund and the amount required. The Commission invites the first of the two arms of the Budgetary Authority that reaches agreement on the draft mobilisation proposal, at appropriate political level, to inform the other arm and the Commission of its intentions.

In case of disagreement by either of the two arms of the budgetary authority, a formal trialogue meeting will be convened.

The Commission will present a preliminary draft amending budget (PDAB) in order to enter in the 2008 budget specific commitment and payment appropriations, broken down by beneficiary country, as requested in Point 26 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 (see BUD/2008/2252).

EU Solidarity Fund: mobilisation for Martinique and Guadeloupe affected by a hurricane in 2007

2008/2253(ACI) - 21/10/2008 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament adopted, by 647 votes to 17 with 16 abstentions, a resolution approving a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund with respect to Martinique and Guadeloupe following the hurricane "Dean" in August 2007.

The report had been tabled for consideration by Reimer **BÖGE** (EPP-ED, DE) on behalf of the Committee on Budgets.

An amount of **EUR 12 780 000** in commitment and payment appropriations shall be mobilised through an amending budget adopted in parallel (see BUD/2008/2252).