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PARLIAMENT - 1st READING

Amendments adopted by the

Committee on Budgets

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Draft amendment 0527 === BUDG/4325===

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BUDG/4325 Compromise amendment between ADLE/7421, ENVI/5302

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Item 07 03 06 01 Community action programme in the field of civil protection

Amend remarks and figures as follows:

	07 03 06 01		DB 2004 PDB 2005		DB 2005 AMENDMENT		DB+AMENDMENT		
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments
			Payments	Commitments	Payments				
Appropriations	6 400 000	6 350 000	5 000 000	5 500 000	5 000 000	5 500 000	0	0	5 000
			000	5 500 000					
Reserves		2 400 000	1 000 000	1 400 000		1 000 000	1 000 000		2 400
			000	1 000 000					

Heading:

Community action programme in the field of civil protection

Remarks:

Before paragraph

The Community Mechanism supplements the Community action programme and aims in the event of emergencies and facilitating coordinated assistance intervention.

Amend text as follows:

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure actions in the field of civil protection. It aims at the enhancement of civil protection capabilities of Member States, EEA and candidate

countries having signed a memorandum of understanding for dealing with disaster, and in particular:

- prevention, forecasting, detection, preparedness for, response and immediate aftercare, and analysis of the socioeconomic implications of disasters,
- workshops, training courses, exchange and secondment of experts, exercises and lessons-learnt workshops intended to stimulate civil-protection cooperation,
- actions and pilot projects to increase capacity, speed and efficiency in emergency situations and support, information and awareness-raising activities including conferences with a civil protection theme,
- mobilisation of experts to reinforce and assist Member States or third countries facing natural disasters or technological accidents,
- facilitation of transportation, in particular as regards intervention teams and equipment,
- enhancing the response capacity of Member States facing terrorist and chemical, biological, radioactive or nuclear ~~threats~~, ~~threats~~.
- *measures to provide information on using the single European emergency call number (112) and to assess, at EU level, the quality of the services provided via that number.*

Legal basis:

Reference acts:

Justification:

More than 13 years after the introduction of the single European emergency call number (112), and although the regulatory framework has been made much stronger, the present situation is not satisfactory for citizens travelling and working on EU territory. The public is not sufficiently familiar with the 112 number, and the quality of 112 emergency services varies considerably from one Member State to another. It is therefore important that there should now be an EU-level assessment of the 112 service by an independent body, the aim being to identify shortcomings and what is needed to improve safety and security for our fellow citizens.

Reinstatement of PDB.

The Committee on Budgets has taken over and modified the amendments tabled by the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety and the group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe.

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