## **2004 Budget: EP's estimates, new Staff Regulations**

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The committee adopted the report by Neena GILL (PES, UK) on Parliament's estimates for an Amending Budget for 2004 to take account of the new Staff Regulations due to enter into force on 1 May 2004. It proposed a modified EP establishment plan for 2004 to accommodate the new grades during the transitional period as well as a new budget item for contract staff, with a token entry (p.m.). The report also called on Parliament's Secretary-General to provide supplementary information on the following points by 15 April 2004: (a) correspondence between old and new grades; (b) rules relating to the integration of temporary agents from political groups into its general secretariat; and (c) clarification of the criteria for the new heads of unit level.