


Procedure file

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Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets		13/02/1996
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	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
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EC general budget: guarantees, situation at 30 June 1995. Report

OBJECTIVE: this report relates to guarantees covered by the general budget - situation at 30 June 1995. It follows the Commission's declaration during the vote on the SAB 1/91 that it would report to the budgetary authority twice a year on the situation of budget guarantees and the corresponding risks. The Commission has already presented eight reports of this type to the budgetary authority

SUBSTANCE: this report is divided into three parts: 1. Events that have occurred since the last report, the changed risk situation and the activation of budget guarantees; 2. The description of operations entered in the budget; 3. The assessment, on the same date, of the economic and financial situation of third countries benefiting from the most important operations. ?

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In the Tomlinson report, which was adopted unanimously, the Committee on Budgets reminded the Commission of the highly critical state of the Guarantee Fund mechanism and regretted that the Commission had not analyzed guarantees and risk situations in its report, especially with regard to loans granted to third countries. While supporting increased Community lending and borrowing activities with third countries, as decided at the Cannes Council, the Committee on Budgets called for the Guarantee Fund mechanism to be revised in order to achieve an adequate balance between an increase in the guarantee reserve (by revising the financial perspectives) and flexible application of risk coverage and its provisioning rate. It also called for Parliament to be involved in the revision work from the outset and for it to be consulted before any Community guarantee was granted. Finally, the Commission was called upon to present its study into a new guarantee system as quickly as possible so that it could be examined and measures taken before the beginning of next year.?

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In adopting the report by Mr John TOMLINSON (PSE, UK) on guarantees covered by the general budget - situation at 30 June 1995, Parliament regretted that the Commission had presented only a descriptive assessment with no regard to future perspectives and developments. The report observes that the report on the guarantee situation contains no mention of the limitations imposed by the guarantee reserve for loans to third countries and is tantamount to presenting misleading statements. Pointing out that the situation of the Guarantee Fund mechanism is particularly critical, the report takes the view that the lending and borrowing activities of the Community will by 1997 face a situation when not even the present level of allocations can be maintained at their current level. Noting that the European Council at its Summit meeting in Cannes concluded that it is necessary to extend lending and borrowing activities of the Community to third countries, the report asks Commission and Council to propose a revision of the Guarantee Fund mechanism which will contain an adequate balance between an increase of the Guarantee reserve and a flexible application of the risk coverage and of its provisioning rate. ?