## Procedure file

Basic information		
BUD - Budgetary procedure	2001/2062(BUD)	Procedure completed
2002 budget: EP's estimates		
Subject 8.70.60 Previous annual budgets		

Key players				
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed	
	BUDG Budgets		23/03/2001	
		V/ALE BUITENWEG Kathalijne Maria		
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date	
	Budget	2388	21/11/2001	

Key events			
23/03/2001	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
03/05/2001	Vote in committee		Summary
03/05/2001	Budgetary report tabled for plenary	<u>A5-0166/2001</u>	
17/05/2001	Debate in Parliament	<b>F</b>	
17/05/2001	Decision by Parliament	T5-0277/2001	Summary
17/05/2001	End of procedure in Parliament		
21/11/2001	Debate in Council	2388	
07/02/2002	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information		
Procedure reference	2001/2062(BUD)	
Procedure type	BUD - Budgetary procedure	
Procedure subtype	Budgetary preparation	
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 272	
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed	
Committee dossier	BUDG/5/14586	

Documentation gateway					
Budgetary report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	<u>A5-0166/2001</u>	03/05/2001	EP		
Budgetary text adopted by Parliament	T5-0277/2001 OJ C 034 07.02.2002, p. 0257-0371 E	17/05/2001	EP	Summary	

## 2002 budget: EP's estimates

The committee adopted the report by Kathalijne BUITENWEG (Greens/EFA, NL) on Parliament's revenue and expenditure estimates for 2002, in which it called for Parliament to continue its policy of budgetary rigour. It proposed a total amount of EUR 1,035m for 2002 (an increase of 4.8% over 2001), corresponding to 20% of Heading 5 (administrative expenditure) of the financial perspective. It also stressed that, in preparation for enlargement, Parliament needed to modernise its working methods and organisational set-up and improve its efficiency. It backed the suggestion that a study of the preparations needed should culminate in a three-year plan, which should be ready before Parliament's summer recess to enable the appropriate budget forecasts for 2002 to be completed. The report said that, with a view to 2004, ways should be found to allow MPs from the 12 accession countries to take part in the work of EP committees. Information offices should be set up in those countries, in conjunction with the Commission, to inform the public about the implications of enlargement and about Parliament's activities. Preparations were also needed to cope with new requirements in the areas of translation, interpreting and infrastructure. The committee thus welcomed the Bureau's proposal to enter a reserve for property investments so as to speed up repayments, thus producing major savings in this area. It accordingly agreed to accelerated funding to purchase the Louise Weiss building in Strasbourg. The committee added that all options must be carefully examined to prepare Parliament's building stock for enlargement and insisted that the relevant political decisions should be guided by the principles of transparency, legality and cost-effectiveness. The committee hoped that Parliament and Council would adopt a Statute for Members of the European Parliament as soon as possible. It also believed the staff mobility policy should continue, in conjunction with an overall staff training policy. Lastly, the committee wanted proper measures to be implemented to combat discrimination and ensure equal treatment.?

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By adopting the report by Mrs Kathalijne Maria BUITENWEG (Greens/EFA, NL), the European Parliament approved the resolution on Parliament's revenue and expenditure estimates for 2002 for the Committee on Budgets. (Please refer to the previous document). ?