

Procedure file

Basic information	
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European Union Solidarity Fund: mobilisation for disasters since August 2002	Procedure completed
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Key players			
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	BUDG Budgets		28/07/1999
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Council of the European Union	Commission DG	Commissioner	
European Commission	Budget		

Key events			
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18/11/2002	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
18/11/2002	Vote in committee		Summary
18/11/2002	Committee report tabled for plenary	A5-0398/2002	
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Procedure subtype	Mobilisation of funds
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	BUDG/5/16936

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European Union Solidarity Fund: mobilisation for disasters since August 2002

PURPOSE : to mobilise the EU Solidarity Fund according to point 3 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 7 November 2002 (refer to procedure reference ACI/2002/2216). **CONTENT** : following the disastrous floods which occurred in August and September 2002 in some Member States and candidate countries whose accession to the European Union is currently under negotiation, the European Union has decided to create a European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF) to face disasters. The Interinstitutional Agreement of 7 November 2002 allows for the mobilisation of the Fund through a flexibility mechanism, with the annual ceiling of EUR 1 billion, over and above the relevant headings of the financial perspective. The conditions of eligibility to the Fund are detailed in the Council Regulation establishing the EUSF (refer to CNS/2002/0228), which notably contains a specific provision whereby the Fund may retroactively be mobilised for disasters since August this year. On the basis of informal applications to the EUSF by the countries which were affected by the floods in August and September of this year, total estimates of the damage caused are as follows : Germany - EUR 9 151 million; Austria - EUR 2 939 million; Czech Republic - EUR 2 341 million; France - EUR 834.5 million. In light of the above, and considering the maximum possible grant from the Fund as well as the scope for reallocating appropriations under the headings requiring additional expenditure, the Commission proposes to mobilise the EU Solidarity Fund for a total amount of EUR 728 million, to be allocated under headings 3 and 7 of the financial perspective. The Commission will present a supplementary and amending budget (SAB) in order to enter in ten 2002 budget specific commitment appropriations, broken down by beneficiary country, as requested in Point 4 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 7 November 2002 (refer to BUD/2002/2238).?

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The committee adopted the report by Joan COLOM i NAVAL (PES, E) approving the decision to mobilise the EU Solidarity Fund to provide aid for those affected by the disastrous floods in the summer of 2002.?

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The European Parliament adopted the resolution drafted by Joan COLOM I NAVAL (PES, Spain) and approved the mobilisation of the EU solidarity Fund in the sum of EUR 728 million.?

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PURPOSE : to mobilise the EU Solidarity Fund according to point 3 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 7 November 2002 (refer to procedure reference ACI/2002/2216). **COMMUNITY MEASURE** : Decision 2002/1010/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund according to point 3 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 7 November 2002 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on the financing of the European Union Solidarity Fund, supplementing the Interinstitutional Agreement of 6 May 1999 on budgetary discipline and improvement of the budgetary procedure. **CONTENT** : for the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2002, the EU Solidarity Fund shall be mobilised to provide the sum of EUR 728 million in commitment appropriations. The eligibility conditions are laid down in Council Regulation establishing the Solidarity Fund of the European Union (refer to CNS/2002/0228). **ENTRY INTO FORCE** 31/12/2002.?