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Basic information

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Key players

European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets		19/01/2011
		PPE BÖGE Reimer	
		Shadow rapporteur	
		S&D GARDIAZABAL RUBIAL Eider	
		ALDE GERBRANDY Gerben-Jan	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	REGI Regional Development		27/01/2011
		PPE HÜBNER Danuta Maria	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN	3076	15/03/2011
European Commission	Commission DG	Commissioner	
	Budget	LEWANDOWSKI Janusz	

Key events

14/01/2011	Non-legislative basic document published	COM(2011)0010	Summary
20/01/2011	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
15/03/2011	Draft budget approved by Council		
31/03/2011	Vote in committee		Summary
01/04/2011	Budgetary report tabled for plenary	A7-0114/2011	
06/04/2011	Results of vote in Parliament		
06/04/2011	Decision by Parliament	T7-0129/2011	Summary

06/04/2011	End of procedure in Parliament		
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Technical information

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Documentation gateway

Non-legislative basic document		COM(2011)0010	14/01/2011	EC	Summary
Committee draft report		PE456.840	25/01/2011	EP	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE458.774	16/02/2011	EP	
Committee opinion	REGI	PE456.974	01/03/2011	EP	
Budgetary report tabled for plenary, 1st reading		A7-0114/2011	01/04/2011	EP	
Budgetary text adopted by Parliament		T7-0129/2011	06/04/2011	EP	Summary

Final act

Decision 2011/286
OJ L 132 19.05.2011, p. 0013 Summary

Mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund: flooding in Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Czech Republic, Croatia and Romania in 2010

PURPOSE: to mobilise the EU Solidarity Fund to asssist Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Croatia and Romania following landslides and heavy flooding in 2010.

PROPOSED ACT: Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council.

CONTENT: the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006allows for the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund, within an annual ceiling of EUR 1 billion, over and above the relevant headings of the financial framework.

The conditions of eligibility to the Fund are detailed in Council Regulation (EC) No 2012/2002.

On the basis of application for assistance from the Fund by Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Croatia and Romania relating to the flooding disasters of May, June and July 2010, total estimates of the direct damage caused are as follows:

- Poland ("major disaster"): EUR 2 998 989 248;
- Slovakia ("major disaster"): EUR 561 133 594;
- Hungary ("major disaster"): EUR 719 343 706;
- Czech Republic ("neighbouring country"): EUR 204 456 041;
- Croatia ("neighbouring country"): EUR 153 039 303;
- Romania ("major disaster"): EUR 875 757 770.

In the light of the examination of the applications, and considering the maximum possible grant from the Fund as well as the scope for reallocating appropriations under the heading requiring additional expenditure, the Commission proposes to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund for a total amount of EUR 182 388 893, to be allocated under heading 3b of the financial framework.

By presenting this proposal to deploy the Fund, the Commission initiates the simplified trilogue procedure, as required by Point 26 of the

Inter-institutional Agreement of 17 May 2006, in view of securing the agreement of the two arms of the Budgetary Authority on the need to use the Fund and the amount required. The Commission invites each arm of the budgetary authority to inform the other arm and the Commission on its intentions. In case of disagreement by either of the two arms of the Budgetary Authority, a formal trilogue meeting will be convened.

The Commission will present a draft amending budget (DAB) in order to enter in the 2011 budget specific commitment and payment appropriations, as requested in Point 26 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 (see BUD/2011/2022).

Mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund: flooding in Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Czech Republic, Croatia and Romania in 2010

The Committee on Budgets adopted the report drafted by Reimer BÖGE (EPP, DE) in which it calls on the European Parliament to approve, without amendment, the proposal for a Decision to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund.

According to the proposal, the European Union Solidarity Fund shall be mobilised for a total amount of EUR 182 388 893 to assist Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Croatia and Romania following landslides and heavy flooding in 2010.

Members recall that the Interinstitutional Agreement on budgetary discipline and sound financial management foresees that where there is scope for reallocating appropriations under the heading requiring additional expenditure, the Commission shall take this into account when making the necessary proposal. They note that the Commission, by calling for additional commitments and payments to cover the needs of the EUSF at this early stage of the year, found no possibility for redeployment nor reallocating within and between headings concerned.

They propose that they are ready to consider the overall situation of payments in the context of the outturn of the 2010 Budget.

Mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund: flooding in Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Czech Republic, Croatia and Romania in 2010

The European Parliament adopted by 647 votes to 17, with 5 abstentions, a resolution approving the proposal for a Decision to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund.

This Fund shall be mobilised for a total amount of EUR 182 388 893 to assist Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Croatia and Romania following landslides and heavy flooding in 2010.

Parliament recalls that the Interinstitutional Agreement on budgetary discipline and sound financial management foresees that where there is scope for reallocating appropriations under the heading requiring additional expenditure, the Commission shall take this into account when making the necessary proposal. It notes that the Commission, by calling for additional commitments and payments to cover the needs of the EUSF at this early stage of the year, found no possibility for redeployment nor reallocating within and between headings concerned. It proposes that it is ready to consider the overall situation of payments in the context of the outturn of the 2010 Budget.

It should be noted that, in parallel, the European Parliament adopted a draft amending budget (No 1/2011) the aim being to formally enter this budgetary adjustment into the 2011 budget (see BUD/2011/2022).

Mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund: flooding in Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Czech Republic, Croatia and Romania in 2010

PURPOSE: to mobilise the EU Solidarity Fund to assist Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Croatia and Romania following landslides and heavy flooding in 2010.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Decision 2011/286/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund, in accordance with point 26 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline and sound financial management.

CONTENT: the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 allows for the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund, within an annual ceiling of EUR 1 billion, over and above the relevant headings of the financial framework.

On the basis of the request from Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Croatia and Romania to mobilise the Fund, concerning disaster caused by landslides and heavy flooding, the European Parliament and the Council have decided to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide the sum of EUR 182 388 893 in commitment and payment appropriations.