



Procedure file

Basic information	
BUD - Budgetary procedure	2014/2161(BUD)
Mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund: flooding in Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria in 2014	Procedure completed
See also 2014/2163(BUD)	
Subject 3.70.11 Natural disasters, Solidarity Fund 8.70.60 Previous annual budgets	
Geographical area Serbia, from 06/2006 Croatia Bulgaria	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets	 FERNANDES José Manuel	21/10/2014
Council of the European Union	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	REGI Regional Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
European Commission	Commission DG	Commissioner	
	Budget	GEORGIEVA Kristalina	

Key events			
17/10/2014	Non-legislative basic document published	COM(2014)0648	Summary
23/10/2014	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
15/12/2014	Vote in committee		
15/12/2014	Budgetary report tabled for plenary	A8-0075/2014	Summary
17/12/2014	Results of vote in Parliament		
17/12/2014	Decision by Parliament	T8-0094/2014	Summary
18/12/2014	Draft budget approved by Council		
18/12/2014	End of procedure in Parliament		
17/03/2015	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2014/2161(BUD)

Procedure type	BUD - Budgetary procedure
Procedure subtype	Mobilisation of funds
	See also 2014/2163(BUD)
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 159
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	BUDG/8/01777

Documentation gateway

Non-legislative basic document	COM(2014)0648	17/10/2014	EC	Summary
Committee draft report	PE541.357	10/12/2014	EP	
Budgetary report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A8-0075/2014	15/12/2014	EP	Summary
Budgetary text adopted by Parliament	T8-0094/2014	17/12/2014	EP	Summary

Final act

[Decision 2015/437](#)
[OJ L 072 17.03.2015, p. 0007](#) Summary

Mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund: flooding in Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria in 2014

PURPOSE: to mobilise the Solidarity Fund to assist Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria affected by flooding in 2014.

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

CONTENT: [Council Regulation \(EU, Euratom\) No 1311/2013](#) laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020, and in particular the Article 10 thereof allows for the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund, within an annual ceiling of EUR 500 million (2011 prices), over and above the relevant headings of the financial framework.

On the basis of applications from Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria, the calculation of the aid from the Fund, based on the estimate of total damage caused is as follows:

- Direct damage Serbia: EUR 1 105 622 million;
- Direct damage Croatia: EUR 297.629 million;
- Direct damage Bulgaria: EUR 311.328 million.

Aid proposed: Serbia: EUR 60 224 605; Croatia: EUR 8 959 725; Bulgaria: EUR 10 542 110.

Total: EUR 79 726 440.

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, the Commission proposes to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund for a total amount of EUR 79 726 440.

The Commission will present a [draft amending budget](#) (DAB) in order to enter in the 2014 budget the specific commitment and payment appropriations. In the event of disagreement, a trilogue procedure will be initiated in accordance with Point 11 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 2 December 2013 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and sound financial management.

Mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund: flooding in Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria in 2014

The Committee on Budgets adopted the report by José Manuel FERNANDES (EPP, PT) on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund, in accordance with point 11 of the [Interinstitutional Agreement](#) (IIA) of 2 December 2013 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management (Floods in Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria).

Members recalled that the Commission proposes to mobilise the European Solidarity Fund in favour of floods in Serbia and Croatia in May 2014 and to floods in Bulgaria in June 2014 on the basis of point 11 of the IIA.

The Fund was created to show solidarity with the population of regions struck by disasters. Members called on the European Parliament to approve the decision annexed to this report which seeks to mobilise EUR 76 726 440 in commitment appropriations for 2014 as well as the same amount in payment appropriations for 2015.

Mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund: flooding in Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria in 2014

PURPOSE: to mobilise the Solidarity Fund to assist Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria affected by flooding in 2014.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Decision (EU) 2015/437 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund.

CONTENT: [Council Regulation \(EU, Euratom\) No 1311/2013](#) laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020, and in particular the Article 10 thereof allows for the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund, within an annual ceiling of EUR 500 million (2011 prices), over and above the relevant headings of the financial framework.

On the basis of applications from Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria, the calculation of the aid from the Fund, based on the estimate of total damage caused is as follows:

- Direct damage Serbia: EUR 1 105 622 million;
- Direct damage Croatia: EUR 297.629 million;
- Direct damage Bulgaria: EUR 311.328 million.

Aid proposed: Serbia: EUR 60 224 605; Croatia: EUR 8 959 725; Bulgaria: EUR 10 542 110.

Total: EUR 79 726 440.

Therefore, the European Parliament and the Council decided to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund for a total amount of EUR 79 726 440 in commitment appropriations for the financial year 2014.

The same amount of payment appropriations is mobilised under the Funds for the 2015 financial year.

An [amending budget](#) (AB) is adopted in parallel in order to enter in the 2014 budget the specific commitments.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 17.12.2014.

Mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund: flooding in Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria in 2014

The European Parliament adopted by 665 vote to 30, with 8 abstentions, a resolution on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund, in accordance with point 11 of the [Interinstitutional Agreement](#) (IIA) of 2 December 2013 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management (Floods in Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria).

Parliament recalled that the European Union created a European Union Solidarity Fund to show solidarity with the population of regions struck by disasters.

Parliament approved the decision annexed to this resolution which seeks to mobilise EUR 76 726 440 in commitment appropriations for 2014 as well as the same amount in payment appropriations for 2015 to assist Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria.