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Basic information		
BUD - Budgetary procedure	2016/2267(BUD)	Procedure completed
Mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund: assistance to Germany		
Subject		
3.70.11 Natural disasters, Solidarity Fund		
8.70.60 Previous annual budgets		
Geographical area		
Germany FR		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	 Budgets	 HOHLMEIER Monika	20/10/2016
		Shadow rapporteur	
		 DENANOT Jean-Paul	
		 KÖLMEL Bernd	
		 JÄÄTTEENMÄKI Anneli	
		 VANA Monika	
		 ZANNI Marco	
		 MONTEL Sophie	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	 Regional Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union			

Key events			
19/10/2016	Non-legislative basic document published	COM(2016)0681	Summary
27/10/2016	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
24/11/2016	Vote in committee		
25/11/2016	Budgetary report tabled for plenary	A8-0352/2016	Summary
01/12/2016	Results of vote in Parliament		
01/12/2016	Decision by Parliament	T8-0470/2016	Summary
12/12/2016	Draft budget approved by Council		

12/12/2016	End of procedure in Parliament		
28/02/2017	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2016/2267(BUD)
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Procedure subtype	Mobilisation of funds
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 159
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	BUDG/8/08196

Documentation gateway

Non-legislative basic document	COM(2016)0681	19/10/2016	EC	Summary
Committee draft report	PE592.448	27/10/2016	EP	
Budgetary report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A8-0352/2016	25/11/2016	EP	Summary
Budgetary text adopted by Parliament	T8-0470/2016	01/12/2016	EP	Summary

Final act

[Decision 2017/340](#)
[OJ L 050 28.02.2017, p. 0049](#) Summary

Mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund: assistance to Germany

PURPOSE: to mobilise the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF) to provide assistance to Germany following a series of intense floods.

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

CONTENT: [Council Regulation \(EU, EURATOM\) No 1311/2013](#) lays 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.

Germany: on 19 August 2016, Germany submitted an application to mobilise the Fund, following a series of extremely intense, short-lived cases of floods that affected the region of Niederbayern in May and June 2016.

The Commission carried out an in-depth examination of this application and considered that, taking account of the maximum possible contribution from the Fund as well as the scope for reallocating appropriations, it would be possible to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund for a total amount of EUR 31 475 125.

Direct damage: the German authorities presented a request based on the total amount of direct damage, that being EUR 1.259 billion.

Given that the application by Germany meets the conditions for providing a financial contribution from the Fund, as laid down in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 2012/2002, it is proposed to mobilise the Fund in order to provide a financial contribution to Germany for the requested amount.

The Commission will present a [draft amending budget](#) (DAB) in order to enter in the 2016 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 on sound financial management.

Mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund: assistance to Germany

The Committee on Budgets adopted the report by Monika HOHLMEIER (EPP, DE) on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament

and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Germany.

Members called on the Parliament to approve the decision annexed to the draft resolution.

The proposal seeks to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF) to provide EUR 31 475 125 to Germany following the floods, affecting Lower Bavaria, especially the district of Rottal-Inn, in May and June 2016.

The proposed mobilisation requires an amendment to the 2016 budget and a [draft amending budget](#) (N°6/2016), aiming at increasing budget article 13 06 01 'Assistance to Member States in the event of a major natural disaster with serious repercussions on living conditions, the natural environment or the economy' by EUR 31 475 125 both in commitment and in payment appropriations.

Mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund: assistance to Germany

The European Parliament adopted by 592 votes to 9, with 43 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 to provide assistance to Germany.

Parliament approved the decision annexed to the resolution.

The proposal seeks to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF) to provide EUR 31 475 125 both in commitment and in payment appropriations to Germany, in the framework of the general budget of the Union for the financial year 2016, following the floods, affecting Lower Bavaria, especially the district of Rottal-Inn, in May and June 2016.

Mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund: assistance to Germany

PURPOSE: to mobilise the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF) to provide assistance to Germany following a series of intense floods.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Decision (EU) 2017/340 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Germany.

CONTENT: [Council Regulation \(EU, EURATOM\) No 1311/2013](#) lays 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.

The European Union Solidarity Fund aims to enable the Union to respond in a rapid, efficient and flexible manner to emergency situations in order to show solidarity with the population of regions struck by natural disasters.

On 19 August 2016, Germany submitted an application to mobilise the Fund, following a series of extremely intense, short-lived cases of floods that affected the region of Niederbayern in May and June 2016.

The application by Germany meets the conditions for providing a financial contribution from the Fund, as laid down in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 2012/2002.

Therefore, the European Parliament and the Council decided to mobilise EUR 31 475 125 in commitment and payment appropriations, under the framework of the general budget of the Union for the financial year 2016, in order to assist Germany.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 28.2.2017. The Decision shall apply from 14.12.2016.