

Procedure file

Basic information	
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Setting up a Translation Centre for bodies of the European Union	
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Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets		26/07/1994
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Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
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Key events			
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08/09/1994	Vote in committee		
08/09/1994	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0006/1994	
27/09/1994	Decision by Parliament	COM(1994)0022	Summary
27/09/1994	Report referred back to committee		
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03/11/1994	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0049/1994	
15/11/1994	Decision by Parliament	T4-0105/1994	Summary
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Procedure subtype	Legislation
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	BUDG/4/05978; BUDG/3/05522

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		COM(1994)0022 OJ C 099 08.04.1994, p. 0017	02/02/1994	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0006/1994 OJ C 305 31.10.1994, p. 0004	08/09/1994	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0049/1994 OJ C 341 05.12.1994, p. 0004	03/11/1994	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0105/1994 OJ C 341 05.12.1994, p. 0021-0044	15/11/1994	EP	Summary
Modified legislative proposal		COM(1994)0564 OJ C 372 28.12.1994, p. 0017	01/12/1994	EC	Summary

Additional information	
European Commission	EUR-Lex

Final act
Regulation 1994/2965 OJ L 314 07.12.1994, p. 0001 Summary

Setting up a Translation Centre for bodies of the European Union

The purpose of this proposal for a decision is to set up a translation centre for the new bodies of the European Union (specialised agencies with the exception of the European Monetary Institute and the Office for Veterinary and Plant Health) in Luxembourg, in the form of an inter-agency structure, linked from both a budgetary and organisational point of view to the agencies and to the Commission, with a distinct legal personality, autonomous management and a separate budget, to be financed in its entirety through financial contributions from the bodies in question. ?

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Parliament approved the Commission proposal subject to 12 amendments. These amendments aimed to: - reaffirm that Parliament, the Council and the Commission attached the greatest importance to the fact that the Translation Centre should observe the principle of absolute equality in its treatment of the official languages of the European Community; - point out that the Translation Centre was established for both the bodies and the institutions of the Union and that it was established within the Commission; - make the Centre responsible for coordinating translations of the institutions with the aim of ensuring, where necessary, centralised competitions and maximum use of the capacity available; - remove any reference to its legal personality and capacity; - set up a coordinating body to organise cooperation between the translation departments of the bodies and institutions; - require a two-thirds majority within the management board when taking decisions in the area of interinstitutional cooperation; - establish financial equilibrium as an objective to be achieved within five years, and entrust the Commission with

the administration of the Centre's general services; - enable the European Parliament to give its opinion on the financial provisions to be adopted by the Centre's management board; - ensure that the Council obtained the opinion of the European Parliament on the review of the Centre's financial arrangements, which it should carry out within three years of the starting-up period. ?

Setting up a Translation Centre for bodies of the European Union

The Council decision set up a Translation Centre for the new bodies of the European Union (specialised agencies with the exception of the European Monetary Institute and the Office for Veterinary and Plant Health Inspection and Control) in Luxembourg, in the form of an inter-agency structure. It was linked from both a budgetary and organisational point of view to the agencies and to the Commission, with a distinct legal personality, autonomous management and a separate budget, which would be financed in its entirety through financial contributions from the bodies in question. The Centre would have a management board whose members would hold office for three years. The Centre was the responsibility of a director appointed by the management board for a period of five years, which could be renewed. The Commission would provide the Centre with technical assistance for a fee: access for the Centre to support services (terminology, databases, documentation, machine translation, training, freelance databases, secondment of officials) and administration of the Centre's general services (payment of salaries, sickness fund, pensions, etc.). The decision entered into force on 14 December 1994. ?

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The Commission's amended proposal took over two of the twelve amendments tabled by the European Parliament. It accepted only those amendments concerning: - the introduction of a provision aimed at ensuring that the Centre received technical assistance from the Commission, namely the provision of support services for the Centre (terminology, databases, documentation, machine translation, training, freelance databases, secondment of officials) and the administration of general services (payment of salaries, sickness fund, pensions, etc.); - the review of the operating rules by the Council, on the basis of a Commission proposal and after obtaining the European Parliament's opinion, at the latest three years from the end of the Centre's starting-up period, which should not exceed three budgetary years. ?