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## REPORT

on the Council position on Draft amending budget No 1/2017 to the general budget for 2017 accompanying the proposal to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to the United Kingdom, Cyprus and Portugal  
(07003/2017– C8-0130/2017 – 2017/2018(BUD))

Committee on Budgets

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## MOTION FOR A EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT RESOLUTION

**on the Council position on Draft amending budget No 1/2017 to the general budget for 2017 accompanying the proposal to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to the United Kingdom, Cyprus and Portugal (07003/2017 – C8-0130/2017 – 2017/2018(BUD))**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Article 314 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
- having regard to Article 106a of the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community,
- having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 41 thereof,
- having regard to the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2017, as definitively adopted on 1 December 2016<sup>2</sup>,
- having regard to Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 of 2 December 2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020<sup>3</sup> (MFF Regulation),
- having regard to 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<sup>4</sup>,
- having regard to Council Decision 2014/335/EU, Euratom of 26 May 2014 on the system of own resources of the European Union<sup>5</sup>,
- having regard to Draft amending budget No 1/2017, which the Commission adopted on 26 January 2017 (COM(2017)0046),
- having regard to the position on Draft amending budget No 1/2017 which the Council adopted on 3.4.2017 and forwarded to Parliament on 3.4.2017 (07003/2017 – C8-0130/2017),
- having regard to Rules 88 and 91 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (A8-0155/2017),

A. whereas Draft amending budget No 1/2017 relates to the mobilisation of the European

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 51, 28.2.2017.

<sup>3</sup> OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 884.

<sup>4</sup> OJ C 373, 20.12.2013, p. 1.

<sup>5</sup> OJ L 168, 7.6.2014, p. 105.

Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF) for an amount of EUR 71 524 810 in relation to the floods that occurred in the United Kingdom during December 2015 to January 2016, drought and fires in Cyprus between October 2015 and June 2016 and fires on the Portuguese island of Madeira in August 2016,

- B. whereas the purpose of Draft amending budget No 1/2017 is to formally enter this budgetary adjustment into the 2017 Union budget,
- C. whereas the Commission consequently proposes to amend the 2017 Union budget and increase 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',
- D. whereas the EUSF is a special instrument as defined in the MFF Regulation, and the corresponding commitment and payments appropriations are to be budgeted over and above the MFF ceilings,
  - 1. Stresses the urgent need to release financial assistance through the EUSF to the regions affected by the natural disasters;
  - 2. Takes note of Draft amending budget No 1 /2017, as submitted by the Commission;
  - 3. Approves the Council position on Draft amending budget No 1/2017;
  - 4. Instructs its President to declare that Amending budget No 1/2017 has been definitively adopted and arrange for its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*;
  - 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the Court of Auditors and the national parliaments.



## INFORMATION ON ADOPTION IN COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE

<b>Date adopted</b>	3.4.2017
<b>Result of final vote</b>	+: 35 -: 1 0: 0
<b>Members present for the final vote</b>	Nedzhmi Ali, Jean Arthuis, Lefteris Christoforou, Gérard Deprez, Manuel dos Santos, José Manuel Fernandes, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Jens Geier, Ingeborg Gräßle, Iris Hoffmann, Bernd Kölmel, Zbigniew Kuźmiuk, Clare Moody, Siegfried Mureşan, Victor Negrescu, Liadh Ní Riada, Jan Olbrycht, Younous Omarjee, Pina Picierno, Paul Rübig, Petri Sarvamaa, Jordi Solé, Eleftherios Synadinos, Indrek Tarand, Isabelle Thomas, Monika Vana, Daniele Viotti, Marco Zanni, Stanisław Żółtek
<b>Substitutes present for the final vote</b>	Nicola Caputo, Ivana Maletić, Andrey Novakov, Marco Valli, Tomáš Zdechovský
<b>Substitutes under Rule 200(2) present for the final vote</b>	Othmar Karas, Bernd Lucke

## FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE

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ALDE	Nedzhmi Ali, Jean Arthuis, Gérard Deprez
ECR	Bernd Kölmel, Zbigniew Kuźmiuk, Bernd Lucke
EFDD	Marco Valli
ENF	Marco Zanni
GUE/NGL	Liadh Ní Riada, Younous Omarjee
NI	Eleftherios Synadinos
PPE	Lefteris Christoforou, José Manuel Fernandes, Ingeborg Gräßle, Othmar Karas, Ivana Maletić, Siegfried Mureşan, Andrey Novakov, Jan Olbrycht, Paul Rübig, Petri Sarvamaa, Tomáš Zdechovský
S&D	Nicola Caputo, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Jens Geier, Iris Hoffmann, Clare Moody, Victor Negrescu, Pina Picierno, Isabelle Thomas, Daniele Viotti, Manuel dos Santos
Verts/ALE	Jordi Solé, Indrek Tarand, Monika Vana

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ENF	Stanisław Żółtek

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### Key to symbols:

+ : in favour

- : against

0 : abstention