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OPINION

of the Committee on Budgets

for the Committee on Constitutional Affairs

on the General Revision of Parliament's Rules of Procedure
(2016/2114(REG))

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AMENDMENTS

The Committee on Budgets calls on the Committee on Constitutional Affairs, as the committee responsible, to incorporate the following amendments into its report:

Amendment 1

Parliament's Rules of Procedure

Rule 25 – paragraph 6

Present text

6. The Bureau shall **decide** the establishment plan of the Secretariat and lay down regulations concerning the administrative and financial situation of officials and other servants.

Amendment

6. The Bureau shall **adopt** the establishment plan of the Secretariat **for each financial year** and lay down regulations concerning the administrative and financial situation of officials and other servants.

Amendment 2

Parliament's Rules of Procedure

Rule 25 – paragraph 7

Present text

7. The Bureau shall draw up Parliament's preliminary draft budget estimates.

Amendment

7. The Bureau shall draw up **and adopt** Parliament's preliminary draft budget estimates **for each financial year**.

Amendment 3

Parliament's Rules of Procedure

Rule 88 – paragraph 5

Present text

5. ***Draft amendments to the estimates of Parliament which are similar to those already rejected by Parliament at the time when the estimates were drawn up shall be discussed only where the committee responsible has delivered a favourable opinion.***

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 4

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Rule 96 – title

Present text

Estimates of Parliament

Amendment

Estimates of Parliament ***and its establishment plan***

Amendment 5

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Rule 96 – paragraph 1

Present text

1. The Bureau shall draw up the ***preliminary draft*** estimates on the basis of ***a report*** prepared by the Secretary-General.

Amendment

1. The Bureau shall draw up ***and adopt Parliament's*** estimates ***and establishment plan for each financial year*** on the basis of reports ***on the medium- and long-term planning and annual planning*** prepared by the Secretary-General. ***The medium- and long-term planning shall make a clear distinction between investments and operating expenditure.***

Amendment 6

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Rule 87 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Present text

Amendment

1a. The reports prepared by the Secretary-General including the medium- and long-term budgetary planning and annual planning, along with all relevant documents, shall be forwarded to the committee responsible for budgetary issues.

Amendment 7

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Rule 96 – paragraph 2

Present text

Amendment

2. *The President shall forward the preliminary draft estimates to the committee responsible, which shall draw up the draft estimates and report to Parliament.* *deleted*

Amendment 8

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Rule 96 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Present text

Amendment

The President shall set a time limit for tabling amendments to the draft estimates. *deleted*

Amendment 9

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Rule 96 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Present text

Amendment

The committee responsible shall give its opinion on these amendments. *deleted*

Amendment 10

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Rule 96 – paragraph 4

Present text

Amendment

4. *Parliament shall adopt the estimates.* *deleted*

Amendment 11

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Rule 96 – paragraph 5

Present text

5. The President shall forward the estimates to the Commission and the Council.

Amendment

5. The President shall forward the estimates ***and the establishment plan for each financial year to the committee responsible for budgetary issues***, to the Commission and the Council.

Amendment 12

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Rule 96 – paragraph 6

Present text

6. ***The foregoing provisions shall also apply to estimates for amending budgets.***

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 13

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Rule 96 – paragraph 6 a (new)

Present text

Amendment

6a. If there are unavoidable, exceptional and unforeseen circumstances, the Bureau may adopt an Amending letter to Parliament's estimates. The Bureau shall submit its Amending Letter to the committee responsible for budgetary issues by 1 September of each financial year.

Amendment 14

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Rule 96 – paragraph 6 b (new)

6b. A concertation between the Bureau and the committee responsible for budgetary issues shall be opened in cases where the opinion of the committee responsible for budgetary issues on the draft budget diverges from the initial decisions taken by the Bureau on the Parliament's estimates; the outcome of the concertation shall be included in the vote in plenary on the adoption of the annual budget, pursuant to Article 314 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

Amendment 15

**Parliament's Rules of Procedure
Rule 97**

Rule 97

deleted

***Procedure to be applied when drawing up
Parliament's estimates***

1. As regards Parliament's budget, the Bureau and the committee responsible for budgetary issues shall take decisions in successive stages on:

- (a) the establishment plan;**
- (b) the preliminary draft and the draft estimates.**

2. The decisions concerning the establishment plan will be taken in accordance with the following procedure:

- (a) the Bureau shall draw up the establishment plan for each financial year;**
- (b) a conciliation procedure between the Bureau and the committee responsible for budgetary issues shall be opened in cases where the opinion of the latter diverges from the initial decisions taken**

by the Bureau;

(c) at the end of the procedure, the Bureau shall take the final decision on the estimates for the establishment plan, in accordance with Rule 222(3), without prejudice to decisions taken pursuant to Article 314 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

3. As regards the estimates proper, the procedure for drawing up the estimates will begin as soon as the Bureau has taken a final decision on the establishment plan. The stages of that procedure will be those laid down in Rule 96. A conciliation procedure shall be opened in cases where the positions of the committee responsible for budgetary issues and of the Bureau are widely divergent.

Amendment 16

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Rule 222 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Present text

The Bureau shall **decide on** the establishment plan of the Secretariat and lay down regulations relating to the administrative and financial situation of officials and other servants.

Amendment

The Bureau shall **draw up and adopt** the establishment plan of the Secretariat and lay down regulations relating to the administrative and financial situation of officials and other servants.

Amendment 17

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Annex VI – point IV – point 2

Present text

2. Parliament's budgetary prerogatives, namely the budget of the Union as well as the negotiation and implementation of interinstitutional

Amendment

2. Parliament's budgetary prerogatives, namely the budget of the Union as well as the negotiation and implementation of interinstitutional agreements in this field **and related special**

agreements in this field;

instruments;

Amendment 18

Parliament's Rules of Procedure Annex VI – point IV – point 3

Present text

Amendment

**3. *Parliament's estimates according
to the procedure defined in the Rules;***

deleted

RESULT OF FINAL VOTE IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

Date adopted	24.10.2016
Result of final vote	+: 29 -: 7 0: 2
Members present for the final vote	Jean Arthuis, Richard Ashworth, Reimer Böge, Lefteris Christoforou, Jean-Paul Denanot, Gérard Deprez, José Manuel Fernandes, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Jens Geier, Esteban González Pons, Ingeborg Gräßle, Iris Hoffmann, Zbigniew Kuźmiuk, Vladimír Maňka, Ernest Maragall, Siegfried Mureşan, Victor Negrescu, Liadh Ní Riada, Jan Olbrycht, Younous Omarjee, Pina Picierno, Paul Rübig, Patricija Šulin, Eleftherios Synadinos, Isabelle Thomas, Inese Vaidere, Monika Vana, Daniele Viotti, Marco Zanni, Auke Zijlstra, Stanisław Żółtek
Substitutes present for the final vote	Heidi Hautala, Alain Lamassoure, Stanisław Ożóg, Tomáš Zdechovský
Substitutes under Rule 200(2) present for the final vote	John Stuart Agnew, Linda McAvan, Virginie Rozière