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NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Subject: Implementation of the European Parliament's 2009 budget

Please find attached proposal for transfer of appropriations **C 5-REV** - financial year 2009

Mr Reimer Böge
Chair of the Committee on Budgets

Subject: Request for transfer of appropriations C5-REV - financial year 2009

Dear Mr Böge,

In accordance with the provisions of Articles 24 and 43 of the Financial Regulation of 25 June 2002, please find attached a request for transfer of appropriations.

I should be grateful if you would present this transfer request to your committee, if possible at its meeting at the end of June 2009.

Yours sincerely,

Hans-Gert Pöttering

Annex: Request for transfer of appropriations C5-REV /2009

SUMMARY

1. *This transfer of appropriations is intended to add a total amount of € 822 000 against Sub-Items 2100/04 'Equipment and software for information and innovation technologies: Streamline' and 2102/07 'Outside assistance for information and innovation technologies: Streamline software and co-financing of the NAP helpdesk' with a view to developing the human resources management application.*

RECEIVING BUDGET LINES

Initial approps. ± AB ± transfers	Commitments entered into	Payments made	Approps. available before proposed transfer	Amount of proposed transfer	Approps. available after proposed transfer
2100/04 Equipment and software for information and innovation technologies: Streamline					
280 000	138 595	138 595	141 405	+ 527 000	668 405
2102/07 Outside assistance for information and innovation technologies: Streamline software and co-financing of the NAP helpdesk					
963 000	491 119	142 974	471 881	+ 295 000	766 881
TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED IN				+ 822 000	

Source: State of appropriations according to FINICS as at 30/03/2009

2. **STREAMLINE (STaff REsources And Management on-LINE)** is Parliament's human resources management application. It includes all the personal data of Parliament's staff and makes it possible to manage these data in a dynamic, decentralised and interactive way. Each staff member has direct access to his or her personal data and can send some service requests (leave, part-time working, etc.) directly to DG Personnel via the Intranet. The new application is thus intended to simplify and automate existing administrative procedures and to improve the service provided to the directorates-general.
3. The appropriations assigned to the Streamline project are split between two budget sub-items: 2100/04 and 2102/07. The purpose of this request is to provide these two sub-items with the appropriations which will be needed to manage accredited parliamentary assistants, co-finance the NAP and outsource some tasks.

Management of accredited parliamentary assistants in Streamline

4. Following the adoption of the implementing measures for the Statute for Members, the Council has approved a regulation clarifying and improving the legal arrangements governing staff assisting Members of the European Parliament. Under this regulation, parliamentary assistants can be employed under a direct contract with the European

Parliament and accredited parliamentary assistants are subject to the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Communities (CEOS) as laid down in Regulation (EEC, Euratom, ECSC) No 259/68.

5. As a result, the personal data of this new group will have to be entered and managed in Streamline in the same way as existing staff categories already covered by the CEOS. It is currently estimated that 700 accredited assistants will be recruited between July and September 2009.
6. This new factor, which could not be taken into account in January 2008 when the 2009 budget sheets were being drawn up, requires additional appropriations to cover the purchase of 700 licences for a number of modules of the ORACLE package and related technical support, the total cost of which is € 217 000.
7. In tandem with this, the across-the-board use of the Streamline self-service facility by all Parliament staff makes it necessary to purchase additional licences for those Oracle package modules concerned and related technical support covering the increase in staff since 2005 (1 000 active staff members), the total cost of which is € 310 000.
8. ***The proposal is therefore to transfer an amount of € 527 000 from Chapter 101, 'Contingency reserve', to Sub-Item 2100/04, 'Equipment and software for information and innovation technologies: Streamline'.***

Co-financing of and changes to the NAP (New Pay Application)

9. Adapting the NAP application to include this new staff category will also entail additional costs, estimated at € 20 000.
10. At the same time, the Commission has decided that the NAP should migrate to another platform. Under this decision, which had not been taken when the 2009 estimates were being drawn up, the EP is to provide € 160 000 in co-financing.
11. The additional amount needed for the NAP application is therefore **€ 180 000**.

Outsourcing of some tasks pending replacement of the Database Administrator

12. The unexpected departure of the Streamline Database Administrator (DBA) (temporary staff member) at the end of February 2009 and the complex nature of the application from the point of view of its administration and operation leave Parliament with no choice but to call on the services of a similarly qualified Oracle consultant until an in-house staff member can be recruited and trained.
13. The amount of work to be performed by this Oracle consultant is estimated at some six person-months at a cost of **€ 115 000**.
14. ***The proposal is therefore to transfer an amount of € 295 000 from Chapter 101, 'Contingency reserve', to Sub-Item 2102/07, 'Outside assistance with information and innovation technologies: Streamline software and co-financing of the NAP helpdesk'.***

DONOR BUDGET LINES

Initial approps. ± AB ± transfers	Commitments entered into	Payments made	Approps. available before proposed transfer	Amount of proposed transfer	Approps. available after proposed transfer
Chap. 101 'Contingency reserve'					
10 018 600	Pending C2				
- 800 000					
9 218 600		0	0	9 218 600	- 822 000
TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED OUT				- 822 000	

Source: State of appropriations according to FINICS as at 30/03/2009

15. The additional appropriations requested, totalling € 822 000, can be taken from Chapter 101, 'Contingency reserve', where they are available.

REQUEST BY AUTHORISING OFFICER(S) BY DELEGATION RECEIVING TRANSFER

Barry WILSON

Signature:

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