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*Odbor za notranji trg in varstvo potrošnikov*

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## OSNUTEK MNENJA

Odbora za notranji trg in zaščito potrošnikov

za Odbor za proračunski nadzor

o razrešnici glede izvrševanja splošnega proračuna Evropske unije za  
proračunsko leto 2004  
(SEC(2005)1158 - C6-0352/2005- 2005/2090(DEC))

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## POBUDE

Odbor za notranji trg in varstvo potrošnikov poziva Odbor za proračunski nadzor, kot pristojni odbor, da v svoj predlog resolucije vključi naslednje pobude:

1. pozdravlja ukrepe, ki jih je za preprečitev tveganja napak pri upravljanju nepovratnih sredstev doslej sprejela Komisija, zaradi česar zdaj ukrepi za potrošnike niso izpostavljeni v ugotovitvah Sodišča; prav tako pozdravlja dejstvo, da ukrepi politike notranjega trga in carinske politike niso bili deležni kritik;
2. priznava praktične težave, s katerimi se Komisija sooča pri poskušanju urejanja zahtev, da bi bilo upravno breme, naloženo prosilcem nepovratnih sredstev v okviru ustreznih programov, čim manjše, z obveznostjo, da zagotovijo dobro finančno upravljanje, skladno z izvedbenimi pravili finančne uredbe;
3. poudarja, da je treba zagotoviti ustrezno izvajanje letnih razpisov za oddajo ponudb za specifične projekte na področju varstva potrošnikov; poziva Komisijo, da preuči, kako bi lahko prilagodili strukturo programa, če so pretekle izkušnje pokazale, da so lahko alternativni upravičenci boljše pripravljene za izvajanje predvidenih ukrepov;
4. poudarja pomen, ki ga dodaja učinkovitemu nadaljnjemu spremljanju ugotovitev Sodišča glede zmogljivosti notranje revizije in neupoštevanja sprejetih standardov; poziva Komisijo, da Parlament obvesti o sprostitvi zadržanih plačil, ko bo prejela poročila o dolgovih.

## SHORT JUSTIFICATION

1. Under Article 276 of the Treaty, implementation of the Community budget is approved retrospectively by the Parliament - acting on a recommendation of the Council - through **the discharge procedure**. Thereby Parliament states formally and endorses politically that it is satisfied with the implementation of the budget by the Commission.
2. The basis for the discharge procedure is the annual report by the Court of Auditors, published in the November of the year following the budgetary year to which it refers. The observations in the Court's report arise from its audit of revenue and expenditure, following the submission of audited accounts by each of the European institutions. Each report contains a Statement of Assurance as to the reliability of the accounts and the legality and regularity of the transactions underlying the general budget. The annual report also takes into account the special reports on particular areas which the Court has adopted since the last discharge procedure; and comments on the adequacy of action taken in response to earlier reports.
3. The observations of previous years have been followed up by appropriate action and therefore can be seen as adequately controlled.
4. The main issue of observations were made in relation to the audit capabilities in the field of DG SANCO's activities. Under point 6.8, 6.17, 6.32 and 6.34 such observations can be found including the actions envisaged or taken by the Commission as presented by their replies.
5. It should be noted that DG SANCO could not fully live up to Internal Control Standards 22 and 18 but is aiming to rectify this situation soon. Furthermore in the absence of certain required reports in 6 cases payments to beneficiaries had to be withheld.
6. The observation under section 6.15 concerning the annual call for specific projects in the area of consumer protection (framework decision allotting 72 M € for the years 2004 to 2007 for financing Community actions in support of Consumer Policy) is left without a reply by the Commission. Therefore it is suggested to underline this point as provided for in suggestion number 3.
7. By and large, the draftsman believes that the Commission has given convincing answers to the points made by the Court. Therefore he believes that Parliament should:
  - welcome the Commission's action to exclude risks of errors in grant management as well as welcoming the absence of observations in relation to Internal Market and Customs policy actions
  - note the difficult task of the Commission in reconciling the need for adequately light procedures for applicants of grants and proper implementation of the Financial Regulation's requirements
  - stress the need to implement annual calls for proposals appropriately or eventually adapt the programme structure
  - set out the importance of efficient audit capabilities and therefore effective follow-up of respective observations.

