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Draft amendment 6201

=== JURI/6201 ===

Tabled by Vaughan Derek, Committee on Legal Affairs

Item 1 2 0 0 — Remunerations and allowances**Amend figures as follows:**

	Budget 2010		Draft budget 2011		Council position 2011		DIFFERENCE		New amount	
	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments
1 2 0 0	190 363 000	190 363 000	201 772 000	201 772 000	193 973 300	193 973 300	5 441 000	5 441 000	199 414 300	199 414 300
Reserve										
Total	190 363 000	190 363 000	201 772 000	201 772 000	193 973 300	193 973 300	5 441 000	5 441 000	199 414 300	199 414 300

Justification:

The Council has cut the appropriations in a manner that does not properly reflect the high rate of occupancy of posts achieved by the Court of Justice in 2009 and during the first half of 2010. Therefore, the standard abatement needs to be reduced to 3,5% in order to meet the necessary needs of the establishment plan and allow the Court to correctly carry out its functions. It is also proposed to create 29 new posts in few support services in order to enable the Court to deal with an unprecedented increase in cases and minimise as much as possible the impact on the duration of the judicial procedures.

Draft amendment 6202

=== JURI/6202 ===

Tabled by Vaughan Derek, Committee on Legal Affairs

Item 1 2 0 4 — Rights connected with entering the service, transfer and leaving the service**Amend figures as follows:**

	Budget 2010		Draft budget 2011		Council position 2011		DIFFERENCE		New amount	
	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments
1 2 0 4	2 251 000	2 251 000	2 216 000	2 216 000	1 739 000	1 739 000	376 000	376 000	2 115 000	2 115 000
Reserve										
Total	2 251 000	2 251 000	2 216 000	2 216 000	1 739 000	1 739 000	376 000	376 000	2 115 000	2 115 000

Justification:

The Council has cut the appropriation relating to the creation of all new posts (8 for Croatia and 39 other new posts). The amendment restores the appropriation relating to the creation of 37 new posts, including 8 posts to prepare the Croatian enlargement.

Draft amendment 6203

=== JURI/6203 ===

Tabled by Vaughan Derek, Committee on Legal Affairs

Article 1 2 9 — Provisional appropriation**Amend figures as follows:**

	Budget 2010		Draft budget 2011		Council position 2011		DIFFERENCE		New amount	
	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments
1 2 9	2 380 000	2 380 000	1 311 000	1 311 000	1 258 000	1 258 000	38 000	38 000	1 296 000	1 296 000
Reserve										
Total	2 380 000	2 380 000	1 311 000	1 311 000	1 258 000	1 258 000	38 000	38 000	1 296 000	1 296 000

Justification:

The amendment restores the appropriations relating to the creation of 37 new posts (including 8 posts to prepare the Croatian enlargement) cut by the Council.

Draft amendment 6204

==== JURI/6204 ====

Tabled by Vaughan Derek, Committee on Legal Affairs

Item 2 1 0 0 — Purchase, servicing and maintenance of equipment and software

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2010		Draft budget 2011		Council position 2011		DIFFERENCE		New amount	
	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments
2 1 0 0	3 532 000	3 532 000	4 042 000	4 042 000	3 602 640	3 602 640	439 360	439 360	4 042 000	4 042 000
Reserve										
Total	3 532 000	3 532 000	4 042 000	4 042 000	3 602 640	3 602 640	439 360	439 360	4 042 000	4 042 000

Justification:

The cuts imposed by the Council within this item imply a major reduction (more than 80 % for 2011) of the 3 years strategic investment plan for IT securitisation set up in response to recommendation of external auditors. Therefore, considering on the one hand, the comparatively low level of IT expenditure in the Court of Justice, and, on the other hand, the vital importance of IT tools and processes for all activities of the Court (judicial, linguistic and administrative), it is proposed to safeguard the proposed IT securitisation plan and reinstate the corresponding appropriations.

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 6205

==== JURI/6205 ====

Tabled by Vaughan Derek, Committee on Legal Affairs

Item 2 1 0 2 — External services for operation, creation and servicing of software and systems

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2010		Draft budget 2011		Council position 2011		DIFFERENCE		New amount	
	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments	Commitment s	Payments
2 1 0 2	8 510 000	8 510 000	9 389 000	9 389 000	8 680 200	8 680 200	708 800	708 800	9 389 000	9 389 000
Reserve										
Total	8 510 000	8 510 000	9 389 000	9 389 000	8 680 200	8 680 200	708 800	708 800	9 389 000	9 389 000

Justification:

The cuts imposed by the Council within this item imply a major reduction (more than 80 % for 2011) of the 3 years strategic investment plan for IT securitisation set up in response to recommendation of external auditors. Therefore, considering on the one hand, the comparatively low level of IT expenditure in the Court of Justice, and, on the other hand, the vital importance of IT tools and processes for all activities of the Court (judicial, linguistic and administrative), it is proposed to safeguard the proposed IT securitisation plan and reinstate the corresponding appropriations.

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 6220

==== JURI/6220 ====

Tabled by Vaughan Derek, Committee on Legal Affairs

Article 15 02 22 — Lifelong learning programme

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2010		Draft budget 2011		Council position 2011		DIFFERENCE		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
15 02 22	982 313 500	953 200 000	1 009 655 000	956 000 000	1 009 655 000	930 500 000	400 000	400 000	1 010 055 000	930 900 000
Reserve										
Total	982 313 500	953 200 000	1 009 655 000	956 000 000	1 009 655 000	930 500 000	400 000	400 000	1 010 055 000	930 900 000

Remarks:

After paragraph:

In accordance with the decision for an integrated following specific programmes and horizontal actions:

Amend text as follows:

- Comenius: for general education activities concerning schools up to and including upper-secondary level,
- Erasmus: for education and advanced training activities at higher education level, increase in the number of scholarships and funding for them under the Erasmus programmes,
- Leonardo da Vinci: for all aspects of vocational education and training,
- Grundtvig: for adult education,
- a cross-cutting programme: incorporating four key activities to cover policy issues, to make specific provision for language learning and ICT-related activity where these fall outside the specific programmes, and to provide a better dissemination service.

Special education needs for persons suffering from disabilities or ‘dys’ conditions can be addressed in all the abovementioned sectoral programmes,

- Jean Monnet: to support European institutions and associations active in the field of European integration (***including an increased grant to the European Law Academy in Trier for its development strategy***) as well as the establishment of a board to manage the multiannual funding by EU of a European Parliament professorship, the ‘EP-Geremek European Civilization Chair’ established at the College of Europe in Warsaw in honour of Professor Bronislaw Geremek. All activities and funding, which could also include the granting of an annual award, will be jointly managed by the College of Europe in Warsaw with full cooperation with the Geremek foundation (‘Centrum Imienia Profesora Bronisława Geremka’).

Justification:

The Academy of European Law (ERA) was established on the initiative of the European Parliament and co-funded from the EU budget since the beginning in 1992. It is a genuine institution training lawyers from all EU Member States. As the demand and need for EU law training continues to increase, ERA adopted a development strategy to expand its capacities and activities. Taking into account the importance and quality of training offered by ERA and Parliament's repeated requests for a European Judicial Academy, the subsidy given to ERA should be increased to support its strategy.