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Draft amendment 4413

=== BUDG/4413 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 1 0 0 0 — Salaries

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 0	76 589 000	76 589 000	76 900 000	76 900 000	76 900 000	76 900 000	-15 380 000	-15 380 000	61 520 000	61 520 000
Reserve										
Total	76 589 000	76 589 000	76 900 000	76 900 000	76 900 000	76 900 000	-15 380 000	-15 380 000	61 520 000	61 520 000

Justification:

Considering the huge gap between the privileges of those who are engaged in politics and the difficult economic and social moment which ordinary citizens are facing, a reduction of 20% of Members' monthly salaries would represent an ethical signal to European citizens.

Draft amendment 4414

=== BUDG/4414 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 1 0 0 0 — Salaries

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 0	76 589 000	76 589 000	76 900 000	76 900 000	76 900 000	76 900 000	-10 000 000	-10 000 000	66 900 000	66 900 000
Reserve										
Total	76 589 000	76 589 000	76 900 000	76 900 000	76 900 000	76 900 000	-10 000 000	-10 000 000	66 900 000	66 900 000

Justification:

Inefficient budgeting

Draft amendment 4415

=== BUDG/4415 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 1 0 0 4 — Ordinary travel expenses

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 4	65 808 000	65 808 000	67 400 000	67 400 000	67 400 000	67 400 000	-7 400 000	-7 400 000	60 000 000	60 000 000
Reserve										
Total	65 808 000	65 808 000	67 400 000	67 400 000	67 400 000	67 400 000	-7 400 000	-7 400 000	60 000 000	60 000 000

Justification:

Due the current pandemic situation, the expenditures for travel expenses would encounter a natural decrease and they could in any case cut as an ethical signal to European citizens.

Draft amendment 4416

=== BUDG/4416 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 1 0 0 4 — Ordinary travel expenses

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 4	65 808 000	65 808 000	67 400 000	67 400 000	67 400 000	67 400 000	-10 000 000	-10 000 000	57 400 000	57 400 000
Reserve										
Total	65 808 000	65 808 000	67 400 000	67 400 000	67 400 000	67 400 000	-10 000 000	-10 000 000	57 400 000	57 400 000

Justification:

Inefficient budgeting

Draft amendment 611

=== R-E//7490 ===

Tabled by Renew Europe Group, Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats), Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament, Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Chapter 10 1 — CONTINGENCY RESERVE

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
10 1	5 151 000	5 151 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	346 000	346 000	2 346 000	2 346 000
Reserve										
Total	5 151 000	5 151 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	346 000	346 000	2 346 000	2 346 000

Justification:

The reserve was cut by EUR 2 500 000 in the DB 2021. The Bureau in its decision of 14/09/2020 asked to restore the EP estimates. However, since the setting up of five parliamentary committees (unforeseen at the time of establishing the estimates) requires total additional appropriations of EUR 2 154 000, the reserve will be restored with EUR 346 000 only to comply with the principle of the budgetary neutrality.

See AMs on lines 1 4 0 0 - 3 0 2 - 3 0 4 2 - 3 2 0 for the EUR 2 154 000 for the setting-up of the five new committees.

Draft amendment 612

=== R-E//7491 ===

Tabled by Renew Europe Group, Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats), Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament, Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 1 4 0 0 — Other staff — Secretariat and political groups

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 0	63 063 000	63 063 000	63 955 000	63 955 000	63 955 000	63 955 000	1 202 000	1 202 000	65 157 000	65 157 000
Reserve										
Total	63 063 000	63 063 000	63 955 000	63 955 000	63 955 000	63 955 000	1 202 000	1 202 000	65 157 000	65 157 000

Justification:

For the functioning of the five new committees (the event not known at the time of establishing of the EP estimates).

This amendment restores the EP estimates as requested by the Bureau on 14/09/2020.

Draft amendment 618

=== R-E/7497 ===

Tabled by Renew Europe Group, Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats), Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament, Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 1 4 0 1 — Other staff — Security

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 1	31 622 000	31 622 000	38 160 000	38 160 000	38 160 000	38 160 000	-3 500 000	-3 500 000	34 660 000	34 660 000
Reserve										
Total	31 622 000	31 622 000	38 160 000	38 160 000	38 160 000	38 160 000	-3 500 000	-3 500 000	34 660 000	34 660 000

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 2 0 2 6 — Security and surveillance of buildings

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 2 6	23 750 000	23 750 000	16 030 000	16 030 000	16 030 000	16 030 000	3 500 000	3 500 000	19 530 000	19 530 000
Reserve										
Total	23 750 000	23 750 000	16 030 000	16 030 000	16 030 000	16 030 000	3 500 000	3 500 000	19 530 000	19 530 000

Justification:

Covid-19 related budgetary neutral adjustment, as requested by the Bureau on 14/09/2020.

Draft amendment 4417

=== BUDG/4417 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 1 4 0 2 — Other staff — Drivers in the Secretariat

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 2	7 266 000	7 266 000	7 460 000	7 460 000	7 460 000	7 460 000	-2 000 000	-2 000 000	5 460 000	5 460 000
Reserve										
Total	7 266 000	7 266 000	7 460 000	7 460 000	7 460 000	7 460 000	-2 000 000	-2 000 000	5 460 000	5 460 000

Justification:

Inefficient budgeting

Draft amendment 4418

=== BUDG/4418 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 1 4 0 4 — Traineeships, seconded national experts, exchanges of officials and study visits

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 4	9 337 000	9 337 000	10 130 440	10 130 440	10 130 440	10 130 440	-3 000 000	-3 000 000	7 130 440	7 130 440
Reserve										
Total	9 337 000	9 337 000	10 130 440	10 130 440	10 130 440	10 130 440	-3 000 000	-3 000 000	7 130 440	7 130 440

Justification:

Inefficient budgeting

Draft amendment 600

=== GUE/8100 ===

Tabled by Group of the European United Left - Nordic Green Left

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 1 4 0 5 — Expenditure on interpretation

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 5	48 832 000	48 832 000	48 565 000	48 565 000	48 565 000	48 565 000	11 435 000	11 435 000	60 000 000	60 000 000
Reserve										
Total	48 832 000	48 832 000	48 565 000	48 565 000	48 565 000	48 565 000	11 435 000	11 435 000	60 000 000	60 000 000

Justification:

Members and their constituencies have the right to communicate and make themselves understood in their own language. Services have been degrading, at the same time we see the precariousness of these workers, essential to the realization of multilingualism in the European Parliament, increased.

Draft amendment 355

=== AFET/6485 ===

Tabled by Committee on Foreign Affairs

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 1 4 2 — External translation services

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 2	8 216 000	8 216 000	7 574 000	7 574 000	7 574 000	7 574 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	8 574 000	8 574 000
Reserve										
Total	8 216 000	8 216 000	7 574 000	7 574 000	7 574 000	7 574 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	8 574 000	8 574 000

Remarks:

After paragraph:

The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 50 000.

Add following text:

This budget line also serves to enhance the global outreach and impact of the European Parliament by ensuring the translation of key European Parliament outputs in the field of external relations, notably urgency resolutions, own initiative reports and Sakharov Prize-related matters, into selected non-EU languages (eg Russia, Chinese, Arabic, Farsi) when of relevance to the countries concerned.

Justification:

To enhance the impact and outreach of the EP's work on foreign affairs.

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Draft amendment 601

=== GUE/8101 ===

Tabled by Group of the European United Left - Nordic Green Left

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 1 4 2 — External translation services

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 2	8 216 000	8 216 000	7 574 000	7 574 000	7 574 000	7 574 000	2 426 000	2 426 000	10 000 000	10 000 000
Reserve										
Total	8 216 000	8 216 000	7 574 000	7 574 000	7 574 000	7 574 000	2 426 000	2 426 000	10 000 000	10 000 000

Justification:

Members and their constituencies have the right to communicate and make themselves understood in their own language. Services have been degrading, at the same time we see the precariousness of these workers, essential to the realization of multilingualism in the European Parliament, increased. European Parliament cannot contribute to precarious employment and working conditions.

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Draft amendment 4419

=== BUDG/4419 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 1 6 3 2 — Social contacts between members of staff and other social measures

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 6 3 2	252 000	252 000	265 000	265 000	265 000	265 000	-265 000	-265 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	252 000	252 000	265 000	265 000	265 000	265 000	-265 000	-265 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to encourage and provide financial backing for schemes to promote social contact between staff of different nationalities, for example subsidies for staff clubs, sports associations and cultural societies, and to make a contribution to the cost of a permanent centre (for cultural and sports activities, other hobbies, a restaurant) for use during leisure time.~~

~~It also covers financial support for interinstitutional social activities.~~

~~The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 600 000.~~

Justification:

Inefficient budgeting

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Draft amendment 619

=== I-D//7700 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**Item 1 6 3 2 — Social contacts between members of staff and other social measures****Amend figures as follows:**

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 6 3 2	252 000	252 000	265 000	265 000	265 000	265 000	-130 000	-130 000	135 000	135 000
Reserve										
Total	252 000	252 000	265 000	265 000	265 000	265 000	-130 000	-130 000	135 000	135 000

Justification:

The decrease of this budgetary line will prevent a further waste of taxpayer's money.

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Draft amendment 4420

=== BUDG/4420 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**Item 1 6 5 2 — Expenditure on catering****Amend figures and remarks as follows:**

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 6 5 2	800 000	800 000	750 000	750 000	750 000	750 000	-750 000	-750 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	800 000	800 000	750 000	750 000	750 000	750 000	-750 000	-750 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure on catering for official high level events and meetings and certain social measures agreed by the European Parliament.~~

~~The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 100.~~

Justification:

Inefficient budgeting

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Draft amendment 4421

=== BUDG/4421 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 2 0 0 0 — Rent

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 0	33 291 000	33 291 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	-5 100 000	-5 100 000	21 201 000	21 201 000
Reserve										
Total	33 291 000	33 291 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	-5 100 000	-5 100 000	21 201 000	21 201 000

Justification:

The current EU Institutions rent contracts should be renegotiated in order to reduce the costs as much as possible through an efficient and economical optimisation of EU resources.

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Draft amendment 620

=== I-D//7701 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 2 0 0 0 — Rent

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 0	33 291 000	33 291 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	-5 260 200	-5 260 200	21 040 800	21 040 800
Reserve										
Total	33 291 000	33 291 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	-5 260 200	-5 260 200	21 040 800	21 040 800

Justification:

The EP building policy is inefficient and not transparent, leading to a huge waste of taxpayers' money. Our Group asks for a complete revision of this subject and a reduction of this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 617

=== R-E//7496 ===

Tabled by Renew Europe Group, Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats), Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament, Group of the

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 2 0 0 0 — Rent

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 0	33 291 000	33 291 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	27 301 000	27 301 000
Reserve										
Total	33 291 000	33 291 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	26 301 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	27 301 000	27 301 000

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 2 1 2 — Furniture

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 1 2	7 400 000	7 400 000	5 910 000	5 910 000	5 910 000	5 910 000	-1 000 000	-1 000 000	4 910 000	4 910 000
Reserve										
Total	7 400 000	7 400 000	5 910 000	5 910 000	5 910 000	5 910 000	-1 000 000	-1 000 000	4 910 000	4 910 000

Justification:

Covid-19 related budgetary neutral adjustment, as requested by the Bureau on 14/09/2020.

Draft amendment 4422

=== BUDG/4422 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 2 0 0 7 — Construction of buildings and fitting-out of premises

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 7	82 730 000	82 730 000	94 859 340	94 859 340	94 859 340	94 859 340	-19 000 000	-19 000 000	75 859 340	75 859 340
Reserve										
Total	82 730 000	82 730 000	94 859 340	94 859 340	94 859 340	94 859 340	-19 000 000	-19 000 000	75 859 340	75 859 340

Justification:

The current EU Institutions building policy should be renegotiated in order to reduce the costs as much as possible through an efficient and economical optimisation of EU resources.

Draft amendment 621

=== I-D//7702 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 2 0 0 7 — Construction of buildings and fitting-out of premises

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 7	82 730 000	82 730 000	94 859 340	94 859 340	94 859 340	94 859 340	-18 971 868	-18 971 868	75 887 472	75 887 472
Reserve										
Total	82 730 000	82 730 000	94 859 340	94 859 340	94 859 340	94 859 340	-18 971 868	-18 971 868	75 887 472	75 887 472

Justification:

The EP building policy is inefficient and not transparent, leading to a huge waste of taxpayers' money. Our Group asks for a complete revision of this subject and a reduction of this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 613

=== R-E//7492 ===

Tabled by Renew Europe Group, Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats), Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament, Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**Item 2 0 0 7 — Construction of buildings and fitting-out of premises****Amend figures as follows:**

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 7	82 730 000	82 730 000	94 859 340	94 859 340	94 859 340	94 859 340	2 067 660	2 067 660	96 927 000	96 927 000
Reserve										
Total	82 730 000	82 730 000	94 859 340	94 859 340	94 859 340	94 859 340	2 067 660	2 067 660	96 927 000	96 927 000

Justification:

To restore EP estimates as requested by the Bureau on 14/09/2020.

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Draft amendment 622

=== I-D//7703 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**Item 2 0 0 8 — Other specific property management arrangements****Amend figures as follows:**

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 8	5 429 000	5 429 000	5 607 000	5 607 000	5 607 000	5 607 000	-1 178 000	-1 178 000	4 429 000	4 429 000
Reserve										
Total	5 429 000	5 429 000	5 607 000	5 607 000	5 607 000	5 607 000	-1 178 000	-1 178 000	4 429 000	4 429 000

Justification:

The EP building policy is inefficient and not transparent, leading to a huge waste of taxpayers' money. Our Group asks for a complete revision of this subject and a reduction of this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 4423

=== BUDG/4423 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 2 0 2 2 — Building maintenance, upkeep, operation and cleaning

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 2 2	64 180 000	64 180 000	67 790 000	67 790 000	67 790 000	67 790 000	-17 790 000	-17 790 000	50 000 000	50 000 000
Reserve										
Total	64 180 000	64 180 000	67 790 000	67 790 000	67 790 000	67 790 000	-17 790 000	-17 790 000	50 000 000	50 000 000

Justification:

The current EU Institutions building policy should be renegotiated in order to reduce the costs as much as possible through an efficient and economical optimisation of EU resources.

Draft amendment 623

=== I-D//7704 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 2 0 2 2 — Building maintenance, upkeep, operation and cleaning

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 2 2	64 180 000	64 180 000	67 790 000	67 790 000	67 790 000	67 790 000	-13 558 000	-13 558 000	54 232 000	54 232 000
Reserve										
Total	64 180 000	64 180 000	67 790 000	67 790 000	67 790 000	67 790 000	-13 558 000	-13 558 000	54 232 000	54 232 000

Justification:

The EP building policy is inefficient and not transparent, leading to a huge waste of taxpayers' money. Our Group asks for a complete revision of this subject and a reduction of this budgetary line.

Draft amendment 624

=== I-D//7705 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 2 1 2 — Furniture

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 1 2	7 400 000	7 400 000	5 910 000	5 910 000	5 910 000	5 910 000	-1 182 000	-1 182 000	4 728 000	4 728 000
Reserve										
Total	7 400 000	7 400 000	5 910 000	5 910 000	5 910 000	5 910 000	-1 182 000	-1 182 000	4 728 000	4 728 000

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

Draft amendment 625

=== I-D//7706 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 238 — Other administrative expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
238	1 674 500	1 674 500	1 692 000	1 692 000	1 692 000	1 692 000	-338 400	-338 400	1 353 600	1 353 600
Reserve										
Total	1 674 500	1 674 500	1 692 000	1 692 000	1 692 000	1 692 000	-338 400	-338 400	1 353 600	1 353 600

Justification:

We do not consider this line as a priority to support.

Draft amendment 4424

=== BUDG/4424 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 300 — Expenses for staff missions and duty travel between the three places of work

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
300	28 140 000	28 140 000	28 565 000	28 565 000	28 565 000	28 565 000	-3 000 000	-3 000 000	25 565 000	25 565 000
Reserve										
Total	28 140 000	28 140 000	28 565 000	28 565 000	28 565 000	28 565 000	-3 000 000	-3 000 000	25 565 000	25 565 000

Justification:

Due the current pandemic situation, the expenditures for missions would encounter a natural decrease and they could in any case cut as an ethical signal to European citizens.

Draft amendment 4425

=== BUDG/4425 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 302 — Reception and representation expenses

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
302	910 500	910 500	845 500	845 500	845 500	845 500	-200 500	-200 500	645 000	645 000
Reserve										
Total	910 500	910 500	845 500	845 500	845 500	845 500	-200 500	-200 500	645 000	645 000

Justification:

Due the current pandemic situation, the expenditures for reception and representation would encounter a

natural decrease and they could in any case cut as an ethical signal to European citizens.

Draft amendment 626

=== I-D//7707 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 3 0 2 — Reception and representation expenses

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 2	910 500	910 500	845 500	845 500	845 500	845 500	-169 100	-169 100	676 400	676 400
Reserve										
Total	910 500	910 500	845 500	845 500	845 500	845 500	-169 100	-169 100	676 400	676 400

Justification:

We do not consider this line as a priority to support.

Draft amendment 614

=== R-E//7493 ===

Tabled by Renew Europe Group, Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats), Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament, Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 3 0 2 — Reception and representation expenses

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 2	910 500	910 500	845 500	845 500	845 500	845 500	13 000	13 000	858 500	858 500
Reserve										
Total	910 500	910 500	845 500	845 500	845 500	845 500	13 000	13 000	858 500	858 500

Justification:

For the functioning of the five new committees (the event not known at the time of establishing of the EP estimates).

This amendment restores the EP estimates as requested by the Bureau on 14/09/2020.

Draft amendment 4426

=== BUDG/4426 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 3 0 4 2 — Meetings, congresses, conferences and delegations

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 4 2	2 671 000	2 671 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	-500 000	-500 000	2 280 000	2 280 000
Reserve										
Total	2 671 000	2 671 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	-500 000	-500 000	2 280 000	2 280 000

Justification:

Due the current pandemic situation, the expenditures for meetings and conferences would encounter a natural decrease and they could in any case cut as an ethical signal to European citizens.

Draft amendment 4427

=== BUDG/4427 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 3 0 4 2 — Meetings, congresses, conferences and delegations

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 4 2	2 671 000	2 671 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	-2 780 000	-2 780 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	2 671 000	2 671 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	-2 780 000	-2 780 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover, inter alia, expenses other than those covered under Chapter 1 0 and Article 3 0 0, connected with:~~

- ~~the organisation of meetings outside the places of work (committees and committee delegations, political groups), including, where appropriate, representation expenditure;~~
- ~~the organisation of interparliamentary delegations, ad hoc delegations, joint parliamentary committees, parliamentary cooperation committees, parliamentary delegations to the WTO, and the Parliamentary Conference on the WTO and its Steering Committee;~~
- ~~the organisation of delegations to the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly, the EuroLat Parliamentary Assembly and the Euronest Parliamentary Assembly and their bodies;~~
- ~~the organisation of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfMPA), its committees and its Bureau; this expenditure includes the European Parliament's contribution to the budget of the autonomous secretariat of the UfMPA or the direct defrayal of expenses representing the European Parliament's share of the budget of the UfMPA;~~
- ~~the affiliation fees in respect of international organisations to which the European Parliament or one of its bodies belongs (Interparliamentary Union, Association of Secretaries General of Parliaments, Twelve Plus Group within the Interparliamentary Union);~~
- ~~the reimbursement to the Commission, on the basis of a service agreement concluded between the European Parliament and the Commission, of the European Parliament's share of the cost of producing EU *laissez passer* (equipment, staff and supplies), in accordance with the Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the European Union (Article 6), Article 23 of the Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union, Articles 11 and 81 of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union and Council Regulation (EU) No 1417/2013 of 17 December 2013 laying down the form of the *laissez passer* issued by the European Union (OJ L 353, 28.12.2013, p. 26).~~

~~The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 5 000.~~

Justification:

Inefficient budgeting

Draft amendment 615

=== R-E//7494 ===

Tabled by Renew Europe Group, Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats), Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament, Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 3 0 4 2 — Meetings, congresses, conferences and delegations

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 4 2	2 671 000	2 671 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	77 000	77 000	2 857 000	2 857 000
Reserve										
Total	2 671 000	2 671 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	2 780 000	77 000	77 000	2 857 000	2 857 000

Justification:

For the functioning of the five new committees (the event not known at the time of establishing of the EP estimates).

This amendment restores the EP estimates as requested by the Bureau on 14/09/2020.

Draft amendment 627

=== I-D//7708 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 3 2 0 — Acquisition of expertise

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 2 0	7 137 000	7 137 000	6 629 500	6 629 500	6 629 500	6 629 500	-3 314 750	-3 314 750	3 314 750	3 314 750
Reserve										
Total	7 137 000	7 137 000	6 629 500	6 629 500	6 629 500	6 629 500	-3 314 750	-3 314 750	3 314 750	3 314 750

Justification:

We can have a reduction of the appropriations for this budgetary line.

Draft amendment 616

=== R-E//7495 ===

Tabled by Renew Europe Group, Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats), Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament, Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 3 2 0 — Acquisition of expertise

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 2 0	7 137 000	7 137 000	6 629 500	6 629 500	6 629 500	6 629 500	862 000	862 000	7 491 500	7 491 500
Reserve										
Total	7 137 000	7 137 000	6 629 500	6 629 500	6 629 500	6 629 500	862 000	862 000	7 491 500	7 491 500

Justification:

For the functioning of the five new committees (event not known at the time of establishing of the EP estimates).

This amendment restores the EP estimates as requested by the Bureau on 14/09/2020.

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Draft amendment 628

=== I-D//7709 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 3 2 1 — Expenditure on European parliamentary research services, including the library, the historical archives, scientific and technological options assessment (STOA) and the European Science-Media Hub

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 2 1	9 750 000	9 750 000	9 830 000	9 830 000	9 830 000	9 830 000	-4 680 000	-4 680 000	5 150 000	5 150 000
Reserve										
Total	9 750 000	9 750 000	9 830 000	9 830 000	9 830 000	9 830 000	-4 680 000	-4 680 000	5 150 000	5 150 000

Justification:

We can have a reduction of the appropriations for this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 4428

=== BUDG/4428 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 3 2 3 — Support for democracy and capacity-building for the parliaments of third countries

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 2 3	1 335 000	1 335 000	1 400 000	1 400 000	1 400 000	1 400 000	-1 400 000	-1 400 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	1 335 000	1 335 000	1 400 000	1 400 000	1 400 000	1 400 000	-1 400 000	-1 400 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover:~~

- expenditure on programmes for the exchange of information and cooperation between the European Parliament and the national parliaments of the pre-accession countries, in particular the Western Balkans and Turkey;
- expenditure committed for promoting relations between the European Parliament and democratically elected national parliaments from third countries (other than those referred to in the previous indent) as well as with corresponding regional parliamentary organisations. The activities concerned are notably aimed at strengthening parliamentary capacity in new and emerging democracies in particular in the European Neighbourhood (South and East);
- expenditure on promoting activities in support of mediation, and programmes for young political leaders from the European Union and from countries in the wider European Neighbourhood: the Maghreb, Eastern Europe and Russia, Israeli Palestinian dialogue and other priority countries as decided by the Democracy Support and Election Coordination Group;
- expenditure on organising the Sakharov Prize (in particular the amount of the prize, travel expenses of the winner(s) and other finalists and the costs of receiving them, operating costs of the Sakharov network and duty travel by members of the network) and on activities to promote human rights.

These activities include information visits to the European Parliament in Brussels, Luxembourg or Strasbourg and visits to Member States and third countries. This appropriation covers, wholly or partially, the expenses of the participants, particularly travel, accommodation and daily subsistence.

The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 100.

Justification:

Inefficient budgeting

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Draft amendment 629

== I-D//7710 ==

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 3 2 3 — Support for democracy and capacity-building for the parliaments of third countries

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 2 3	1 335 000	1 335 000	1 400 000	1 400 000	1 400 000	1 400 000	-700 000	-700 000	700 000	700 000
Reserve										
Total	1 335 000	1 335 000	1 400 000	1 400 000	1 400 000	1 400 000	-700 000	-700 000	700 000	700 000

Justification:

We can have a reduction of the appropriations for this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 630

== I-D//7711 ==

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 3 2 4 2 — Expenditure on publication, information and participation in public events

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 2 4 2	22 780 000	22 780 000	28 420 000	28 420 000	28 420 000	28 420 000	-21 315 000	-21 315 000	7 105 000	7 105 000
Reserve										
Total	22 780 000	22 780 000	28 420 000	28 420 000	28 420 000	28 420 000	-21 315 000	-21 315 000	7 105 000	7 105 000

Justification:

We can have a reduction of the appropriations for this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 631=== I-D//7712 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 3 2 4 3 — European Parliament visitor centres

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 2 4 3	21 947 500	21 947 500	31 811 500	31 811 500	31 811 500	31 811 500	-15 905 750	-15 905 750	15 905 750	15 905 750
Reserve										
Total	21 947 500	21 947 500	31 811 500	31 811 500	31 811 500	31 811 500	-15 905 750	-15 905 750	15 905 750	15 905 750

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

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Draft amendment 632=== I-D//7713 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Item 3 2 4 8 — Expenditure on audiovisual information

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 2 4 8	17 579 500	17 579 500	17 553 500	17 553 500	17 553 500	17 553 500	-13 165 125	-13 165 125	4 388 375	4 388 375
Reserve										
Total	17 579 500	17 579 500	17 553 500	17 553 500	17 553 500	17 553 500	-13 165 125	-13 165 125	4 388 375	4 388 375

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

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Draft amendment 4429=== BUDG/4429 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 3 2 5 — Expenditure relating to liaison offices

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 2 5	8 900 000	8 900 000	9 400 000	9 400 000	9 400 000	9 400 000	-9 400 000	-9 400 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	8 900 000	8 900 000	9 400 000	9 400 000	9 400 000	9 400 000	-9 400 000	-9 400 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure by the European Parliament's liaison offices in the Member States:~~

- ~~– communication and information expenses (information and public events; internet — production, promotion, consultancy; seminars; audiovisual productions);~~
- ~~– general expenditure and miscellaneous incidental expenditure (office supplies, telecommunications, delivery charges, handling, transport, storage, standard promotional items, databases and press subscriptions, etc.)~~
- ~~– media campaigns and the organisation of the "European Parliament Ambassador school" program.~~

~~The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 10 000.~~

Justification:

Inefficient budgeting

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Draft amendment 633

=== I-D//7714 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 3 2 5 — Expenditure relating to liaison offices

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 2 5	8 900 000	8 900 000	9 400 000	9 400 000	9 400 000	9 400 000	-3 760 000	-3 760 000	5 640 000	5 640 000
Reserve										
Total	8 900 000	8 900 000	9 400 000	9 400 000	9 400 000	9 400 000	-3 760 000	-3 760 000	5 640 000	5 640 000

Justification:

We can have a reduction of the appropriations for this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 4430

=== BUDG/4430 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Article 4 0 3 — Funding of European political foundations

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
4 0 3	21 000 000	21 000 000	23 000 000	23 000 000	23 000 000	23 000 000	-23 000 000	-23 000 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	21 000 000	21 000 000	23 000 000	23 000 000	23 000 000	23 000 000	-23 000 000	-23 000 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to finance political foundations at European level. Good governance and robust scrutiny of the use of funds must be ensured.~~

~~The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 100.~~

Justification:

Inefficient budgeting

Draft amendment 4431

=== BUDG/4431 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Chapter 4 4 — MEETINGS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES OF CURRENT AND FORMER MEMBERS**Amend remarks as follows:****Remarks:**Add following text:

This amendment deletes all the budget lines under this Chapter.

Justification:

Inefficient budgeting

Draft amendment 4432

=== BUDG/4432 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION I — EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Chapter 5 0 — Expenditure of the Authority for European political parties and European political foundations and the Committee of independent eminent persons**Amend remarks as follows:****Remarks:**Add following text:

This amendment deletes all the budget lines under this Chapter.

Justification:

Inefficient budgeting

Draft amendment 634

=== I-D//7715 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION II — EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND COUNCIL

Item 1 1 0 7 — Annual adjustment of the remuneration

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 1 0 7	3 834 000	3 834 000	3 894 000	3 894 000	3 894 000	3 894 000	-60 000	-60 000	3 834 000	3 834 000
Reserve										
Total	3 834 000	3 834 000	3 894 000	3 894 000	3 894 000	3 894 000	-60 000	-60 000	3 834 000	3 834 000

Justification:

We can have a reduction of the appropriations for this budgetary line.

Draft amendment 635

=== I-D//7716 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION II — EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND COUNCIL

Item 1 3 0 1 — Professional development

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 3 0 1	2 413 000	2 413 000	2 539 000	2 539 000	2 539 000	2 539 000	-1 269 500	-1 269 500	1 269 500	1 269 500
Reserve										
Total	2 413 000	2 413 000	2 539 000	2 539 000	2 539 000	2 539 000	-1 269 500	-1 269 500	1 269 500	1 269 500

Justification:

We can have a reduction of the appropriations for this budgetary line.

Draft amendment 4433

=== BUDG/4433 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION II — EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND COUNCIL

Item 1 3 3 1 — Mission expenses of the General Secretariat of the Council

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 3 3 1	3 130 000	3 130 000	3 600 000	3 600 000	3 240 000	3 240 000	-240 000	-240 000	3 000 000	3 000 000
Reserve										
Total	3 130 000	3 130 000	3 600 000	3 600 000	3 240 000	3 240 000	-240 000	-240 000	3 000 000	3 000 000

Justification:

Due the current pandemic situation, the expenditures for missions would encounter a natural decrease and

they could in any case cut as an ethical signal to European citizens.

Draft amendment 4434

=== BUDG/4434 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION II — EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND COUNCIL

Item 1 3 3 2 — Travel expenses of staff related to the European Council

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 3 3 2	800 000	800 000	1 650 000	1 650 000	1 485 000	1 485 000	-35 000	-35 000	1 450 000	1 450 000
Reserve										
Total	800 000	800 000	1 650 000	1 650 000	1 485 000	1 485 000	-35 000	-35 000	1 450 000	1 450 000

Justification:

Due the current pandemic situation, the expenditures for travel would encounter a natural decrease and they could in any case cut as an ethical signal to European citizens.

Draft amendment 636

=== I-D//7717 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION II — EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND COUNCIL

Item 2 0 0 0 — Rent

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 0	505 000	505 000	457 000	457 000	457 000	457 000	-91 400	-91 400	365 600	365 600
Reserve										
Total	505 000	505 000	457 000	457 000	457 000	457 000	-91 400	-91 400	365 600	365 600

Justification:

We can have a reduction of the appropriations for this budgetary line.

Draft amendment 637

=== I-D//7718 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION II — EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND COUNCIL

Item 2 0 1 0 — Cleaning and maintenance

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 1 0	18 873 000	18 873 000	18 735 000	18 735 000	18 735 000	18 735 000	-4 683 700	-4 683 700	14 051 300	14 051 300
Reserve										
Total	18 873 000	18 873 000	18 735 000	18 735 000	18 735 000	18 735 000	-4 683 700	-4 683 700	14 051 300	14 051 300

Justification:

We can have a reduction of the appropriations for this budgetary line.

Draft amendment 638

=== I-D//7719 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION II — EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND COUNCIL

Article 213 — Transport

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
213	2 284 000	2 284 000	1 368 000	1 368 000	1 368 000	1 368 000	-234 000	-234 000	1 134 000	1 134 000
Reserve										
Total	2 284 000	2 284 000	1 368 000	1 368 000	1 368 000	1 368 000	-234 000	-234 000	1 134 000	1 134 000

Justification:

This budgetary line should remain at the 2019 level.

Draft amendment 4435

=== BUDG/4435 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION II — EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND COUNCIL

Item 2200 — Travel expenses of delegations

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2200	17 228 000	17 228 000	17 228 000	17 228 000	15 505 000	15 505 000	-1 005 000	-1 005 000	14 500 000	14 500 000
Reserve										
Total	17 228 000	17 228 000	17 228 000	17 228 000	15 505 000	15 505 000	-1 005 000	-1 005 000	14 500 000	14 500 000

Justification:

Due the current pandemic situation, the expenditures for travel would encounter a natural decrease and they could in any case cut as an ethical signal to European citizens.

Draft amendment 639

=== I-D//7720 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION II — EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND COUNCIL

Item 2200 — Travel expenses of delegations

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2200	17 228 000	17 228 000	17 228 000	17 228 000	15 505 000	15 505 000	-8 614 000	-8 614 000	6 891 000	6 891 000
Reserve										

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Total	17 228 000	17 228 000	17 228 000	17 228 000	15 505 000	15 505 000	-8 614 000	-8 614 000	6 891 000	6 891 000

Justification:

This line is not a priority to support.

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Draft amendment 640

=== I-D//7721 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

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SECTION II — EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND COUNCIL

Item 2 2 0 4 — Miscellaneous expenditure on meetings

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 2 0 4	4 980 000	4 980 000	4 779 000	4 779 000	4 779 000	4 779 000	-2 389 500	-2 389 500	2 389 500	2 389 500
Reserve										
Total	4 980 000	4 980 000	4 779 000	4 779 000	4 779 000	4 779 000	-2 389 500	-2 389 500	2 389 500	2 389 500

Justification:

This line is not a priority to support.

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Draft amendment 641

=== I-D//7722 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

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SECTION II — EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND COUNCIL

Item 2 2 1 3 — Information and public events

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 2 1 3	4 585 000	4 585 000	5 095 000	5 095 000	4 585 500	4 585 500	-2 292 750	-2 292 750	2 292 750	2 292 750
Reserve										
Total	4 585 000	4 585 000	5 095 000	5 095 000	4 585 500	4 585 500	-2 292 750	-2 292 750	2 292 750	2 292 750

Justification:

We can have a reduction of the appropriations for this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 756

=== I-D//7850 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

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SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Article 1 0 2 — Temporary allowances

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 2	3 349 000	3 349 000	2 903 000	2 903 000	2 903 000	2 903 000	-435 450	-435 450	2 467 550	2 467 550
Reserve										
Total	3 349 000	3 349 000	2 903 000	2 903 000	2 903 000	2 903 000	-435 450	-435 450	2 467 550	2 467 550

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

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Draft amendment 4460

=== BUDG/4460 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

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SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Article 1 0 4 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 4	280 000	280 000	280 000	280 000	252 000	252 000	28 000	28 000	280 000	280 000
Reserve										
Total	280 000	280 000	280 000	280 000	252 000	252 000	28 000	28 000	280 000	280 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 41

=== JURI/6405 ===

Tabled by Committee on Legal Affairs

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SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Article 1 0 4 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 4	280 000	280 000	280 000	280 000	252 000	252 000	28 000	28 000	280 000	280 000
Reserve										
Total	280 000	280 000	280 000	280 000	252 000	252 000	28 000	28 000	280 000	280 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

The restore DB is necessary to face the cost of Members' missions in 2021. It should be pointed out that the appropriations for this line in the 2021 DB have been kept identical to the 2020 budget. A 10% reduction appears excessive.

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Draft amendment 780

=== S&D//7206 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

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SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Article 104 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
104	280 000	280 000	280 000	280 000	252 000	252 000	28 000	28 000	280 000	280 000
Reserve										
Total	280 000	280 000	280 000	280 000	252 000	252 000	28 000	28 000	280 000	280 000

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 4461

=== BUDG/4461 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Item 1200 — Remunerations and allowances

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1200	267 837 000	267 837 000	272 780 000	272 780 000	271 160 000	271 160 000	1 620 000	1 620 000	272 780 000	272 780 000
Reserve										
Total	267 837 000	267 837 000	272 780 000	272 780 000	271 160 000	271 160 000	1 620 000	1 620 000	272 780 000	272 780 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 42

=== JURI/6406 ===

Tabled by Committee on Legal Affairs

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Item 1200 — Remunerations and allowances

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1200	267 837 000	267 837 000	272 780 000	272 780 000	271 160 000	271 160 000	1 620 000	1 620 000	272 780 000	272 780 000
Reserve										
Total	267 837 000	267 837 000	272 780 000	272 780 000	271 160 000	271 160 000	1 620 000	1 620 000	272 780 000	272 780 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

The very high occupation rate of posts (97 %) and implementation rate of appropriations (99 %) of the Court require the annulment of the 1.62 million cut demanded by Council, so that the Court could create the 24 new permanent posts related to the end of the "Irish derogation" and also avoid any appropriations shortages that could make impossible a full use of its establishment plan and imperil the execution of the Court's mission.

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 781

=== S&D//7207 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Item 1 2 0 0 — Remunerations and allowances

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 2 0 0	267 837 000	267 837 000	272 780 000	272 780 000	271 160 000	271 160 000	1 620 000	1 620 000	272 780 000	272 780 000
Reserve										
Total	267 837 000	267 837 000	272 780 000	272 780 000	271 160 000	271 160 000	1 620 000	1 620 000	272 780 000	272 780 000

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 4462

=== BUDG/4462 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Nils Torvalds, Nicolae Ștefănuță, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Item 1 4 0 0 — Other staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 0	8 285 000	8 285 000	8 733 000	8 733 000	8 393 000	8 393 000	340 000	340 000	8 733 000	8 733 000
Reserve										
Total	8 285 000	8 285 000	8 733 000	8 733 000	8 393 000	8 393 000	340 000	340 000	8 733 000	8 733 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 43

=== JURI/6407 ===

Tabled by Committee on Legal Affairs

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Item 1 4 0 0 — Other staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 0	8 285 000	8 285 000	8 733 000	8 733 000	8 393 000	8 393 000	340 000	340 000	8 733 000	8 733 000
Reserve										
Total	8 285 000	8 285 000	8 733 000	8 733 000	8 393 000	8 393 000	340 000	340 000	8 733 000	8 733 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

To be able to properly fulfil its mission, the Court needs the appropriations demanded in the DB for this budget line, so as to be able to recruit a limited number of new contract agents in 2021 (8 FTE) tasked, in particular, of legal databases data-entry, of the reinforcement of security and of the introduction of a system for the electronic management of administrative files (HAN).

Draft amendment 782

=== S&D//7208 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Item 1 4 0 0 — Other staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 0	8 285 000	8 285 000	8 733 000	8 733 000	8 393 000	8 393 000	340 000	340 000	8 733 000	8 733 000
Reserve										
Total	8 285 000	8 285 000	8 733 000	8 733 000	8 393 000	8 393 000	340 000	340 000	8 733 000	8 733 000

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 4463

=== BUDG/4463 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Article 1 6 2 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 6 2	478 500	478 500	450 000	450 000	405 000	405 000	45 000	45 000	450 000	450 000
Reserve										
Total	478 500	478 500	450 000	450 000	405 000	405 000	45 000	45 000	450 000	450 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 44

=== JURI/6408 ===

Tabled by Committee on Legal Affairs

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Article 1 6 2 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 6 2	478 500	478 500	450 000	450 000	405 000	405 000	45 000	45 000	450 000	450 000
Reserve										
Total	478 500	478 500	450 000	450 000	405 000	405 000	45 000	45 000	450 000	450 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

The restore DB is necessary to allow the performance of staff missions in 2021. It is important to underline that this line in the 2021 DB was already reduced by about 6% compared to the 2020 budget. The Council proposal would amount in effect to a 15% reduction in the line compared with 2020.

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 783

=== S&D//7209 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Article 1 6 2 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 6 2	478 500	478 500	450 000	450 000	405 000	405 000	45 000	45 000	450 000	450 000
Reserve										
Total	478 500	478 500	450 000	450 000	405 000	405 000	45 000	45 000	450 000	450 000

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 4436

=== BUDG/4436 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Item 2 0 0 1 — Lease/purchase

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 1	40 076 000	40 076 000	37 090 000	37 090 000	37 090 000	37 090 000	-8 000 000	-8 000 000	29 090 000	29 090 000
Reserve										
Total	40 076 000	40 076 000	37 090 000	37 090 000	37 090 000	37 090 000	-8 000 000	-8 000 000	29 090 000	29 090 000

Justification:

The current EU Institutions building policy should be renegotiated in order to reduce the costs as much as possible through an efficient and economical optimisation of EU resources.

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Draft amendment 757

=== I-D//7851 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Item 2 0 0 1 — Lease/purchase

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 1	40 076 000	40 076 000	37 090 000	37 090 000	37 090 000	37 090 000	-5 563 500	-5 563 500	31 526 500	31 526 500
Reserve										
Total	40 076 000	40 076 000	37 090 000	37 090 000	37 090 000	37 090 000	-5 563 500	-5 563 500	31 526 500	31 526 500

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

Draft amendment 758

=== I-D//7852 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Item 2 0 0 7 — Fitting-out of premises

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 7	2 427 000	2 427 000	3 982 000	3 982 000	3 982 000	3 982 000	-597 300	-597 300	3 384 700	3 384 700
Reserve										
Total	2 427 000	2 427 000	3 982 000	3 982 000	3 982 000	3 982 000	-597 300	-597 300	3 384 700	3 384 700

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

Draft amendment 759

=== I-D//7853 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Item 2 0 2 2 — Cleaning and maintenance

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 2 2	9 987 000	9 987 000	10 187 000	10 187 000	10 187 000	10 187 000	-1 528 050	-1 528 050	8 658 950	8 658 950
Reserve										
Total	9 987 000	9 987 000	10 187 000	10 187 000	10 187 000	10 187 000	-1 528 050	-1 528 050	8 658 950	8 658 950

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

Draft amendment 760

=== I-D//7854 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Article 2 1 2 — Furniture

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 1 2	814 500	814 500	814 000	814 000	814 000	814 000	-122 100	-122 100	691 900	691 900
Reserve										
Total	814 500	814 500	814 000	814 000	814 000	814 000	-122 100	-122 100	691 900	691 900

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

Draft amendment 761

=== I-D//7855 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Article 2 3 8 — Other administrative expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 3 8	401 000	401 000	518 000	518 000	518 000	518 000	-77 000	-77 000	441 000	441 000
Reserve										
Total	401 000	401 000	518 000	518 000	518 000	518 000	-77 000	-77 000	441 000	441 000

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

Draft amendment 4464

=== BUDG/4464 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Article 2 5 4 — Meetings, congresses, conferences and visits

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 5 4	380 000	380 000	380 000	380 000	342 000	342 000	38 000	38 000	380 000	380 000
Reserve										
Total	380 000	380 000	380 000	380 000	342 000	342 000	38 000	38 000	380 000	380 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 45

=== JURI/6409 ===

Tabled by Committee on Legal Affairs

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Article 254 — Meetings, congresses, conferences and visits

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
254	380 000	380 000	380 000	380 000	342 000	342 000	38 000	38 000	380 000	380 000
Reserve										
Total	380 000	380 000	380 000	380 000	342 000	342 000	38 000	38 000	380 000	380 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

This line is used notably to finance the organization of meetings and seminars with national judges and EU law experts: these events are essential opportunities to develop the relationship between the ECJ and national courts, with the aim of reinforcing judicial cooperation. It is therefore necessary to restore this line at DB level, also considering that it was already kept at the same level as in 2020.

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 784

=== S&D//7210 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Article 254 — Meetings, congresses, conferences and visits

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
254	380 000	380 000	380 000	380 000	342 000	342 000	38 000	38 000	380 000	380 000
Reserve										
Total	380 000	380 000	380 000	380 000	342 000	342 000	38 000	38 000	380 000	380 000

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 4458

=== BUDG/4458 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Valerie Hayer, Nils Torvalds, Nicolae Ștefănuță, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

S1 — Section IV — Court of Justice of the European Union

Amend remarks as follows:

Amend text as follows:

Function group and grade				
	2021		2020	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	5		5	
AD 15	12	3	12	3

AD 14	80[1]	57[1]	81[1]	56[1]
AD 13	96		96	
AD 12	92 [2] 91 [2]	92	84[2]	91
AD 11	146	110	91	107
AD 10	149	52	176	51
AD 9	142	15	179	9
AD 8	103	2	112	1
AD 7	109 90	2	81	1
AD 6	11		11	
AD 5	29		38	
<i>AD Subtotal</i>	974 954	333	966	319
AST 11	12		12	
AST 10	15	1	15	1
AST 9	46		40	
AST 8	39	15	45	15
AST 7	70	40	58	38
AST 6	92	36	94	36
AST 5	118	27	126	22
AST 4	65	64	76	59
AST 3	54 51	39	69	26
AST 2	13	5	13	5
AST 1	2 1		1	
<i>AST Subtotal</i>	526 522	227	549	202
AST/SC 6				
AST/SC 5		3		3
AST/SC 4				
AST/SC 3	8			
AST/SC 2	26		34	
AST/SC 1				
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>	34	3	34	3
Total	1 534 [3] 1 510 [3]	563	1 549 [3]	524
Grand total	2 097 [4] 2 073 [4]		2 073 [4]	

(1)Of which 1 AD 15 ad personam.
(2)Of which 1 AD 14 ad personam.
(3)Not including the contingency reserve, without allocation of appropriations, for officials seconded to Members of the Court of Justice or the General Court (6 AD 12, 12 AD 11, 20 AD 10, 15 AD 7, 11 AST 6, 17 AST 5, 21 AST 4, 8 AST 3).
(4)Certain posts occupied part-time may be compensated by the appointment of other staff within the limit of the remaining posts thus left unoccupied by function group.

Justification:

To fully implement Council Regulation 2015/2264 concerning the use of the Irish language, the Court needs the 24 demanded posts. The redeployment of existing staff, as suggested by the Council, is not feasible in a context in which the workload is continually increasing and the Court's services, legal translation service included, have already had to cut 6.5% of their staff between 2013 and 2017.

Draft amendment 40

=== JURI/6404 ===

Tabled by Committee on Legal Affairs

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

S 1 — Section IV — Court of Justice of the European Union

Amend remarks as follows:

Amend text as follows:

Function group and grade				
	2021		2020	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	5		5	
AD 15	12	3	12	3
AD 14	80[1]	57[1]	81[1]	56[1]
AD 13	96		96	
AD 12	92 [2] 91 [2]	92	84[2]	91
AD 11	146	110	91	107
AD 10	149	52	176	51
AD 9	142	15	179	9
AD 8	103	2	112	1
AD 7	109 90	2	81	1
AD 6	11		11	
AD 5	29		38	
AD Subtotal	974 954	333	966	319
AST 11	12		12	
AST 10	15	1	15	1
AST 9	46		40	
AST 8	39	15	45	15
AST 7	70	40	58	38
AST 6	92	36	94	36
AST 5	118	27	126	22
AST 4	65	64	76	59
AST 3	54 51	39	69	26
AST 2	13	5	13	5
AST 1	2 1		1	
AST Subtotal	526 522	227	549	202
AST/SC 6				
AST/SC 5		3		3
AST/SC 4				
AST/SC 3	8			
AST/SC 2	26		34	
AST/SC 1				
AST/SC Subtotal	34	3	34	3
Total	1 534 [3] 1 510 [3]	563	1 549[3]	524
Grand total	2 097 [4] 2 073 [4]		2 073[4]	

(1)Of which 1 AD 15 ad personam.
(2)Of which 1 AD 14 ad personam.
(3)Not including the contingency reserve, without allocation of appropriations, for officials seconded to Members of the Court of Justice or the General Court (6 AD 12, 12 AD 11, 20 AD 10, 15 AD 7, 11 AST 6, 17 AST 5, 21 AST 4, 8 AST 3).
(4)Certain posts occupied part-time may be compensated by the appointment of other staff within the limit of the remaining posts thus left unoccupied by function group.

Justification:

To fully implement Council Regulation 2015/2264 concerning the use of the Irish language, the Court needs the 24 demanded posts. The redeployment of existing staff, as suggested by the Council, is not feasible in a context in which the workload is continually increasing and the Court's services, legal translation service included, have already had to cut 6.5% of their staff between 2013 and 2017.

Draft amendment 830

=== S&D//7283 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IV — COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

S 1 — Section IV — Court of Justice of the European Union

Amend remarks as follows:

Amend text as follows:

Function group and grade				
	2021		2020	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	5		5	
AD 15	12	3	12	3
AD 14	80[1]	57[1]	81[1]	56[1]
AD 13	96		96	
AD 12	92[2] 91[2]	92	84[2]	91
AD 11	146	110	91	107
AD 10	149	52	176	51
AD 9	142	15	179	9
AD 8	103	2	112	1
AD 7	109 90	2	81	1
AD 6	11		11	
AD 5	29		38	
<i>AD Subtotal</i>	974 954	333	966	319
AST 11	12		12	
AST 10	15	1	15	1
AST 9	46		40	
AST 8	39	15	45	15
AST 7	70	40	58	38
AST 6	92	36	94	36
AST 5	118	27	126	22
AST 4	65	64	76	59
AST 3	54 51	39	69	26
AST 2	13	5	13	5
AST 1	2 1		1	
<i>AST Subtotal</i>	526 522	227	549	202
AST/SC 6				
AST/SC 5		3		3
AST/SC 4				
AST/SC 3	8			
AST/SC 2	26		34	
AST/SC 1				
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>	34	3	34	3
Total	1 534[3] 1 510[3]	563	1 549[3]	524
Grand total	2 097[4] 2 073[4]		2 073[4]	

(1)Of which 1 AD 15 ad personam.

(2)Of which 1 AD 14 ad personam.

(3)Not including the contingency reserve, without allocation of appropriations, for officials seconded to Members of the Court of Justice or the General Court (6 AD 12, 12 AD 11, 20 AD 10, 15 AD 7, 11 AST 6, 17 AST 5, 21 AST 4, 8 AST 3).

(4)Certain posts occupied part-time may be compensated by the appointment of other staff within the limit of the remaining posts thus left unoccupied by function group.

Justification:

Since the European Council conclusion text does not mention any political agreement on any additional effort to be made on staff after completion of the actual period commitment by all institutions, the needs estimated by the institution are reinstated

Draft amendment 4437 BUDG/4437

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION V — COURT OF AUDITORS

Article 104 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
104	290 000	290 000	290 000	290 000	261 000	261 000	29 000	29 000	290 000	290 000
Reserve										
Total	290 000	290 000	290 000	290 000	261 000	261 000	29 000	29 000	290 000	290 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 4465 BUDG/4465

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION V — COURT OF AUDITORS

Article 104 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
104	290 000	290 000	290 000	290 000	261 000	261 000	29 000	29 000	290 000	290 000
Reserve										
Total	290 000	290 000	290 000	290 000	261 000	261 000	29 000	29 000	290 000	290 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

The budget line 1040 covers the Missions of the Members of the Court. The progressive restart of activities in 2021 will require sufficient appropriations in order to cover the future activities of the ECA Members. The budgetary appropriations for line 1040 should be maintained at the same level.

Draft amendment 785 S&D/7211

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION V — COURT OF AUDITORS

Article 104 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 4	290 000	290 000	290 000	290 000	261 000	261 000	29 000	29 000	290 000	290 000
Reserve										
Total	290 000	290 000	290 000	290 000	261 000	261 000	29 000	29 000	290 000	290 000

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 4438

=== BUDG/4438 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION V — COURT OF AUDITORS**Item 1 4 0 0 — Other staff****Amend figures as follows:**

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 0	4 660 000	4 660 000	5 001 000	5 001 000	4 916 000	4 916 000	85 000	85 000	5 001 000	5 001 000
Reserve										
Total	4 660 000	4 660 000	5 001 000	5 001 000	4 916 000	4 916 000	85 000	85 000	5 001 000	5 001 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 4466

=== BUDG/4466 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Valerie Hayer, Nils Torvalds, Nicolae Ștefănuță, Committee on Budgets

SECTION V — COURT OF AUDITORS**Item 1 4 0 0 — Other staff****Amend figures as follows:**

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 0	4 660 000	4 660 000	5 001 000	5 001 000	4 916 000	4 916 000	85 000	85 000	5 001 000	5 001 000
Reserve										
Total	4 660 000	4 660 000	5 001 000	5 001 000	4 916 000	4 916 000	85 000	85 000	5 001 000	5 001 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

The ECA has embarked on a digital transformation of its audit work and this will be an important part of its future strategy. Transformation of our audit work will need investment in the coming years. This goes along with the recruitment of highly specialised people (web-editor, info-graphic expert, media specialist,...). It is difficult to recruit (and retain) staff in Luxembourg.

Draft amendment 786

=== S&D//7212 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION V — COURT OF AUDITORS

Item 1 4 0 0 — Other staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 0	4 660 000	4 660 000	5 001 000	5 001 000	4 916 000	4 916 000	85 000	85 000	5 001 000	5 001 000
Reserve										
Total	4 660 000	4 660 000	5 001 000	5 001 000	4 916 000	4 916 000	85 000	85 000	5 001 000	5 001 000

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 4439

=== BUDG/4439 ===

Tabled by Joachim Kuhs, Jörg Meuthen, Committee on Budgets

SECTION V — COURT OF AUDITORS

Article 1 6 2 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 6 2	3 370 000	3 370 000	3 320 000	3 320 000	2 988 000	2 988 000	332 000	332 000	3 320 000	3 320 000
Reserve										
Total	3 370 000	3 370 000	3 320 000	3 320 000	2 988 000	2 988 000	332 000	332 000	3 320 000	3 320 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 4467

=== BUDG/4467 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION V — COURT OF AUDITORS

Article 1 6 2 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 6 2	3 370 000	3 370 000	3 320 000	3 320 000	2 988 000	2 988 000	332 000	332 000	3 320 000	3 320 000
Reserve										
Total	3 370 000	3 370 000	3 320 000	3 320 000	2 988 000	2 988 000	332 000	332 000	3 320 000	3 320 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

The Court has already reduced its request for Mission appropriations in the past years, from EUR 3 700 000 in 2015 to EUR 3 320 000 for 2021. This line is essential for the core activity of the Court. Our reports depend heavily on the missions undertaken by our staff. Notwithstanding the uncertainty related to the travelling in 2021, and to avoid significant disruption to our audit work programme, the budgetary

appropriations for line 1620 should be maintained at the same level.

Draft amendment 787

=== S&D//7213 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION V — COURT OF AUDITORS

Article 1 6 2 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 6 2	3 370 000	3 370 000	3 320 000	3 320 000	2 988 000	2 988 000	332 000	332 000	3 320 000	3 320 000
Reserve										
Total	3 370 000	3 370 000	3 320 000	3 320 000	2 988 000	2 988 000	332 000	332 000	3 320 000	3 320 000

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 4468

=== BUDG/4468 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION V — COURT OF AUDITORS

Article 2 5 6 — Expenditure on the dissemination of information and on participation in public events

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 5 6	17 000	17 000	17 000	17 000	15 300	15 300	1 700	1 700	17 000	17 000
Reserve										
Total	17 000	17 000	17 000	17 000	15 300	15 300	1 700	1 700	17 000	17 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Based on the execution of the last two years where the entire appropriations were used, and with the restart of activities in 2021, the amount initially requested for budget line 2560 should be maintained.

Draft amendment 788

=== S&D//7214 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION V — COURT OF AUDITORS

Article 2 5 6 — Expenditure on the dissemination of information and on participation in public events

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 5 6	17 000	17 000	17 000	17 000	15 300	15 300	1 700	1 700	17 000	17 000
Reserve										

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Total	17 000	17 000	17 000	17 000	15 300	15 300	1 700	1 700	17 000	17 000

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 831

=== S&D//7284 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION V — COURT OF AUDITORS

S 1 — Section V — Court of Auditors

Amend remarks as follows:

Amend text as follows:

Function group and grade				
	2021		2020	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
Non-category		1		1
AD 16				
AD 15	11		11	
AD 14	40[1]	31	40[1]	31
AD 13	37[2]	2	37[2]	2
AD 12	66	6	66	6
AD 11	48	33	48	33
AD 10	55[3]	2	39	2
AD 9	110[3]		112	
AD 8	60[3]	2	69	2
AD 7	51[3]	6	56	6
AD 6	43	1	43	1
AD 5	20[3] 10[3]	1	18	1
<i>AD Subtotal</i>	541 540	84	539	84
AST 11	5	1	5	1
AST 10	6		6	
AST 9	22	1	22	1
AST 8	15	1	15	1
AST 7	19	26	19	26
AST 6	33[3]		27	
AST 5	33[3]	5	38	5
AST 4	8[3]	16	8	16
AST 3	6[3]		6	
AST 2	[3]		2	
AST 1				
<i>AST Subtotal</i>	147	50	148	50
AST/SC 6		9		9
AST/SC 5		2		2
AST/SC 4		12		12
AST/SC 3		5		5
AST/SC 2	2	1	2	1
AST/SC 1				
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>	2	29	2	29
Total	690[4] 689[4]	164[5]	689[4]	164[5]

Grand total	854 853	853
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(1)Of which one AD 15 ad personam.

(2)Of which one AD 14 ad personam.

(3)Upgrading and transformation of posts (2021).

(4)Not including the virtual reserve, without allocation of appropriations, for seconded officials in Private Offices.

(5)The actual grade at which the posts assigned to the Private Offices are occupied will follow the grading criteria described in Decision No 56/2019 of the European Court of Auditors.

Justification:

Since the European Council conclusion text does not mention any political agreement on any additional effort to be made on staff after completion of the actual period commitment by all institutions, the needs estimated by the institution are reinstated

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Draft amendment 4441

=== BUDG/4441 ===

Tabled by Moritz Körner, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 1 0 0 4 — Travel and subsistence allowances, attendance at meetings and associated expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 4	20 595 079	20 595 079	21 006 981	21 006 981	18 906 283	18 906 283	-579 283	-579 283	18 327 000	18 327 000
Reserve										
Total	20 595 079	20 595 079	21 006 981	21 006 981	18 906 283	18 906 283	-579 283	-579 283	18 327 000	18 327 000

Justification:

The European Union should promote more participatory democracy of citizens and allocate less resources to committees. Since appropriations of most of the European Economic and Social committee budget lines are non-dissociated appropriations, the budgetary authority has little discretion to adjust the level of expenditure in most of the budget lines in Section VI in the course of the annual budget.

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Draft amendment 4470

=== BUDG/4470 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 1 0 0 4 — Travel and subsistence allowances, attendance at meetings and associated expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 4	20 595 079	20 595 079	21 006 981	21 006 981	18 906 283	18 906 283	2 100 698	2 100 698	21 006 981	21 006 981
Reserve										
Total	20 595 079	20 595 079	21 006 981	21 006 981	18 906 283	18 906 283	2 100 698	2 100 698	21 006 981	21 006 981

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 762

=== I-D//7856 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 1 0 0 4 — Travel and subsistence allowances, attendance at meetings and associated expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 4	20 595 079	20 595 079	21 006 981	21 006 981	18 906 283	18 906 283	-2 835 943	-2 835 943	16 070 340	16 070 340
Reserve										
Total	20 595 079	20 595 079	21 006 981	21 006 981	18 906 283	18 906 283	-2 835 943	-2 835 943	16 070 340	16 070 340

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

Draft amendment 789

=== S&D//7215 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 1 0 0 4 — Travel and subsistence allowances, attendance at meetings and associated expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 4	20 595 079	20 595 079	21 006 981	21 006 981	18 906 283	18 906 283	2 100 698	2 100 698	21 006 981	21 006 981
Reserve										
Total	20 595 079	20 595 079	21 006 981	21 006 981	18 906 283	18 906 283	2 100 698	2 100 698	21 006 981	21 006 981

Justification:

The activities of the EESC following the renewal of the mandate in October 2020 will reach again full cruising speed in 2021. The organisation of and participation in hearings and other events in order to consult organized civil society on key EU policy areas is the core EESC activity, which allows the organisation to fully play its institutional role. Restricting participation of members and the input from these events would significantly jeopardise the ability to efficiently contribute in shaping the EU of tomorrow. This amendment restores the appropriations of the draft budget.

Draft amendment 4471

=== BUDG/4471 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 1 0 0 8 — Travel and subsistence allowances, attendance at meetings and associated expenditure of delegates of the Consultative Commission on Industrial Change

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 8	510 957	510 957	521 176	521 176	469 058	469 058	52 118	52 118	521 176	521 176
Reserve										
Total	510 957	510 957	521 176	521 176	469 058	469 058	52 118	52 118	521 176	521 176

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 790

=== S&D//7216 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 1 0 0 8 — Travel and subsistence allowances, attendance at meetings and associated expenditure of delegates of the Consultative Commission on Industrial Change

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 8	510 957	510 957	521 176	521 176	469 058	469 058	52 118	52 118	521 176	521 176
Reserve										
Total	510 957	510 957	521 176	521 176	469 058	469 058	52 118	52 118	521 176	521 176

Justification:

The activities of the EESC following the renewal of the mandate in October 2020 will reach again full cruising speed in 2021. The organisation of and participation in hearings and other events in order to consult organized civil society in Member States on key EU policy areas constitutes a core EESC activity. As is the case for the travel allowances for members, restricting participation of delegates and the input from these events will significantly endanger the political work of the institution. This amendment restores the appropriations of the draft budget.

Draft amendment 4472

=== BUDG/4472 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 1 2 0 0 — Remuneration and allowances

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 2 0 0	72 380 869	72 380 869	73 182 577	73 182 577	73 115 077	73 115 077	67 500	67 500	73 182 577	73 182 577
Reserve										
Total	72 380 869	72 380 869	73 182 577	73 182 577	73 115 077	73 115 077	67 500	67 500	73 182 577	73 182 577

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 791

=== S&D//7217 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 1 2 0 0 — Remuneration and allowances

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 2 0 0	72 380 869	72 380 869	73 182 577	73 182 577	73 115 077	73 115 077	67 500	67 500	73 182 577	73 182 577
Reserve										
Total	72 380 869	72 380 869	73 182 577	73 182 577	73 115 077	73 115 077	67 500	67 500	73 182 577	73 182 577

Justification:

The activities of the EESC following the renewal of the mandate in October 2020 will reach again full cruising speed in 2021. The organisation of and participation in hearings and other events in order to consult organized civil society in Member States on key EU policy areas constitutes a core EESC activity. As is the case for the travel allowances for members, restricting participation of delegates and the input from these events will significantly endanger the political work of the institution. This amendment restores the appropriations of the draft budget.

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Draft amendment 4473

=== BUDG/4473 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Nicolae Ștefănuță, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE**Item 1 4 0 0 — Other staff****Amend figures as follows:**

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 0	2 556 480	2 556 480	2 581 058	2 581 058	2 496 058	2 496 058	85 000	85 000	2 581 058	2 581 058
Reserve										
Total	2 556 480	2 556 480	2 581 058	2 581 058	2 496 058	2 496 058	85 000	85 000	2 581 058	2 581 058

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 792

=== S&D/7218 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE**Item 1 4 0 0 — Other staff****Amend figures as follows:**

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 0	2 556 480	2 556 480	2 581 058	2 581 058	2 496 058	2 496 058	85 000	85 000	2 581 058	2 581 058
Reserve										
Total	2 556 480	2 556 480	2 581 058	2 581 058	2 496 058	2 496 058	85 000	85 000	2 581 058	2 581 058

Justification:

The activities of the EESC following the renewal of the mandate in October 2020 will reach again full cruising speed in 2021. The organisation of and participation in hearings and other events in order to consult organized civil society in Member States on key EU policy areas constitutes a core EESC activity. As is the case for the travel allowances for members, restricting participation of delegates and the input from these events will significantly endanger the political work of the institution. This amendment restores the

appropriations of the draft budget.

Draft amendment 4474

=== BUDG/4474 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Article 162 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
162	412 924	412 924	421 082	421 082	378 974	378 974	42 108	42 108	421 082	421 082
Reserve										
Total	412 924	412 924	421 082	421 082	378 974	378 974	42 108	42 108	421 082	421 082

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 793

=== S&D//7219 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Article 162 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
162	412 924	412 924	421 082	421 082	378 974	378 974	42 108	42 108	421 082	421 082
Reserve										
Total	412 924	412 924	421 082	421 082	378 974	378 974	42 108	42 108	421 082	421 082

Justification:

The activities of the EESC following the renewal of the mandate in October 2020 will reach again full cruising speed in 2021. The organisation of and participation in hearings and other events in order to consult organized civil society in Member States on key EU policy areas constitutes a core EESC activity. As is the case for the travel allowances for members, restricting participation of delegates and the input from these events will significantly endanger the political work of the institution. This amendment restores the appropriations of the draft budget.

Draft amendment 763

=== I-D//7857 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 1632 — Social contacts between members of staff and other social measures

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020	Draft budget 2021	Council's position 2021	Difference	New amount
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	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 6 3 2	175 000	175 000	187 500	187 500	187 500	187 500	-28 125	-28 125	159 375	159 375
Reserve										
Total	175 000	175 000	187 500	187 500	187 500	187 500	-28 125	-28 125	159 375	159 375

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

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Draft amendment 4442

=== BUDG/4442 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 2 0 0 0 — Rent

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 0	2 223 070	2 223 070	3 130 097	3 130 097	1 755 097	1 755 097	-255 097	-255 097	1 500 000	1 500 000
Reserve										
Total	2 223 070	2 223 070	3 130 097	3 130 097	1 755 097	1 755 097	-255 097	-255 097	1 500 000	1 500 000

Justification:

The current EU Institutions rent contracts should be renegotiated in order to reduce the costs as much as possible through an efficient and economical optimisation of EU resources.

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Draft amendment 764

=== I-D//7858 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 2 0 0 0 — Rent

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 0	2 223 070	2 223 070	3 130 097	3 130 097	1 755 097	1 755 097	-225 000	-225 000	1 530 097	1 530 097
Reserve										
Total	2 223 070	2 223 070	3 130 097	3 130 097	1 755 097	1 755 097	-225 000	-225 000	1 530 097	1 530 097

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

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Draft amendment 4443

=== BUDG/4443 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 2 0 0 1 — Annual lease payments and similar expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 1	12 634 513	12 634 513	12 836 665	12 836 665	8 711 665	8 711 665	-211 665	-211 665	8 500 000	8 500 000
Reserve										
Total	12 634 513	12 634 513	12 836 665	12 836 665	8 711 665	8 711 665	-211 665	-211 665	8 500 000	8 500 000

Justification:

The current EU Institutions rent contracts should be renegotiated in order to reduce the costs as much as possible through an efficient and economical optimisation of EU resources.

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Draft amendment 765

=== I-D//7859 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 2 0 0 1 — Annual lease payments and similar expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 1	12 634 513	12 634 513	12 836 665	12 836 665	8 711 665	8 711 665	-1 306 749	-1 306 749	7 404 916	7 404 916
Reserve										
Total	12 634 513	12 634 513	12 836 665	12 836 665	8 711 665	8 711 665	-1 306 749	-1 306 749	7 404 916	7 404 916

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

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Draft amendment 766

=== I-D//7860 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 2 0 0 7 — Fitting-out of premises

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 7	1 121 655	1 121 655	4 925 895	4 925 895	4 925 895	4 925 895	-738 884	-738 884	4 187 011	4 187 011
Reserve										
Total	1 121 655	1 121 655	4 925 895	4 925 895	4 925 895	4 925 895	-738 884	-738 884	4 187 011	4 187 011

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

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Draft amendment 795

=== S&D//7221 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 2 0 0 7 — Fitting-out of premises

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 7	1 121 655	1 121 655	4 925 895	4 925 895	4 925 895	4 925 895	483 619	483 619	5 409 514	5 409 514
Reserve										
Total	1 121 655	1 121 655	4 925 895	4 925 895	4 925 895	4 925 895	483 619	483 619	5 409 514	5 409 514

Justification:

The activities of the EESC following the renewal of the mandate in October 2020 will reach again full cruising speed in 2021. The organisation of and participation in hearings and other events in order to consult organized civil society in Member States on key EU policy areas constitutes a core EESC activity. As is the case for the travel allowances for members, restricting participation of delegates and the input from these events will significantly endanger the political work of the institution. This amendment restores the appropriations of the draft budget.

Draft amendment 796

=== S&D//7222 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 2 0 0 8 — Other expenditure on buildings

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 8	336 657	336 657	728 609	728 609	728 609	728 609	23 593	23 593	752 202	752 202
Reserve										
Total	336 657	336 657	728 609	728 609	728 609	728 609	23 593	23 593	752 202	752 202

Justification:

The activities of the EESC following the renewal of the mandate in October 2020 will reach again full cruising speed in 2021. The organisation of and participation in hearings and other events in order to consult organized civil society in Member States on key EU policy areas constitutes a core EESC activity. As is the case for the travel allowances for members, restricting participation of delegates and the input from these events will significantly endanger the political work of the institution. This amendment restores the appropriations of the draft budget.

Draft amendment 4475

=== BUDG/4475 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 2 5 4 2 — Expenditure on the organisation of and participation in hearings and other events

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 5 4 2	651 311	651 311	651 311	651 311	586 180	586 180	65 131	65 131	651 311	651 311
Reserve										
Total	651 311	651 311	651 311	651 311	586 180	586 180	65 131	65 131	651 311	651 311

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 794

=== S&D//7220 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 2 5 4 2 — Expenditure on the organisation of and participation in hearings and other events

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 5 4 2	651 311	651 311	651 311	651 311	586 180	586 180	65 131	65 131	651 311	651 311
Reserve										
Total	651 311	651 311	651 311	651 311	586 180	586 180	65 131	65 131	651 311	651 311

Justification:

Restore DB. The activities of the EESC following the renewal of the mandate in October 2020 will reach again full cruising speed in 2021. The organisation of and participation in hearings and other events in order to consult organized civil society in Member States on key EU policy areas constitutes a core EESC activity. As is the case for the travel allowances for members, restricting participation of delegates and the input from these events will significantly endanger the political work of the institution.

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Draft amendment 2400

=== BUDG/2400 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, rapporteur

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Item 2 5 4 8 — Interpreting

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 5 4 8	7 100 000	7 100 000	6 735 709	6 735 709	6 735 709	6 735 709	590 854	590 854	7 326 563	7 326 563
Reserve										
Total	7 100 000	7 100 000	6 735 709	6 735 709	6 735 709	6 735 709	590 854	590 854	7 326 563	7 326 563

Justification:

This amendment is required to reverse the cut introduced by the European Commission. The activities of the EESC following the renewal of the mandate in October 2020 will reach again full cruising speed in 2021. The appropriations requested would allow a return to a bit below the 2018 level, which was considered as the strict minimum for providing sufficient multi-lingual support for the members, who are experts in their fields but do not necessarily speak foreign languages.

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Draft amendment 4469

=== BUDG/4469 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Nicolae Ștefănuță, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

S 1 — Section VI — European Economic and Social Committee

Amend remarks as follows:

Amend text as follows:

Function group and grade				
	2021		2020	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
Non-category		1		1
AD 16	1		1	
AD 15	5		5	
AD 14	18	1	18	1
AD 13	20	3	24	3
AD 12	53		49	
AD 11	25	2	22	2
AD 10	44	2	40	2
AD 9	56	5	59	5
AD 8	32		38	
AD 7	23	4	23	3
AD 6	19	2	20	3
AD 5	18	1	14	1
	47			
<i>AD Subtotal</i>	314	20	313	20
	313			
AST 11	5		4	
AST 10	5		5	
AST 9	27		25	
AST 8	29	3	28	
AST 7	39	2	39	5
AST 6	51	3	49	2
AST 5	54	2	57	3
AST 4	34	2	39	2
AST 3	27	3	30	3
AST 2	3		2	
AST 1	3		1	
<i>AST Subtotal</i>	277	15	279	15
AST/SC 6				
AST/SC 5				
AST/SC 4				
AST/SC 3	13		13	
AST/SC 2	14	3	13	3
AST/SC 1	12		11	
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>	39	3	37	3
Total	630	39	629	39
	629			
Grand total	669		668	
	668			

Justification:

The need for an additional permanent post for the Irish Translation Unit in 2021 is due to a legal obligation arising from the end of the derogation for the Irish language. Posts for Irish translation were phased in in the two Committees over the period 2017-2021.

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Draft amendment 832

=== S&D//7285 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VI — EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

S 1 — Section VI — European Economic and Social Committee

Amend remarks as follows:

Amend text as follows:

Function group and grade				
	2021		2020	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
Non-category		1		1
AD 16	1		1	
AD 15	5		5	
AD 14	18	1	18	1
AD 13	20	3	24	3
AD 12	53		49	
AD 11	25	2	22	2
AD 10	44	2	40	2
AD 9	56	5	59	5
AD 8	32		38	
AD 7	23	4	23	3
AD 6	19	3	20	3
AD 5	23	1	14	1
	17			
<i>AD Subtotal</i>	319	21	313	20
	313	20		
AST 11	5		4	
AST 10	5		5	
AST 9	27		25	
AST 8	29	3	28	
AST 7	39	2	39	5
AST 6	51	3	49	2
AST 5	54	2	57	3
AST 4	34	2	39	2
AST 3	27	3	30	3
AST 2	3	1	2	
AST 1	3		1	
<i>AST Subtotal</i>	277	16	279	15
		15		
AST/SC 6				
AST/SC 5				
AST/SC 4				
AST/SC 3	13		13	
AST/SC 2	14	3	13	3
AST/SC 1	12		11	
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>	39	3	37	3
Total	635	41	629	39
	629	39		
Grand total	676		668	
	668			

Justification:

Since the European Council conclusion text does not mention any political agreement on any additional effort to be made on staff after completion of the actual period commitment by all institutions, the needs estimated by the institution are reinstated

Draft amendment 4445

=== BUDG/4445 ===

Tabled by Moritz Körner, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 1 0 0 4 — Travel and subsistence allowances, attendance at meetings and associated expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 4	8 962 372	8 962 372	8 862 372	8 862 372	7 976 135	7 976 135	-1 033 135	-1 033 135	6 943 000	6 943 000
Reserve										
Total	8 962 372	8 962 372	8 862 372	8 862 372	7 976 135	7 976 135	-1 033 135	-1 033 135	6 943 000	6 943 000

Justification:

The European Union should promote more participatory democracy of citizens and allocate less resources to committees. Since appropriations of most of the committee of the regions budget lines are non-dissociated appropriations, the budgetary authority has little discretion to adjust the level of expenditure in most of the budget lines in Section VII in the course of the annual budget.

Draft amendment 4477

=== BUDG/4477 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 1 0 0 4 — Travel and subsistence allowances, attendance at meetings and associated expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 4	8 962 372	8 962 372	8 862 372	8 862 372	7 976 135	7 976 135	986 237	986 237	8 962 372	8 962 372
Reserve										
Total	8 962 372	8 962 372	8 862 372	8 862 372	7 976 135	7 976 135	986 237	986 237	8 962 372	8 962 372

Justification:

This amendment reinstates the appropriations related to the travel and meeting allowances of the CoR members. Commission has cut the requested funding by € 100,000; below the 2020 available budget in its consolidation of the EU draft budget. The Council has cut further € 886,237. This amendment reinstates fully the Commission and Council cuts. Reinstatement is needed in order to ensure the sufficient financing for the travel and meeting allowances for the CoR members.

Draft amendment 797

=== S&D/7223 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 1 0 0 4 — Travel and subsistence allowances, attendance at meetings and associated expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020	Draft budget 2021	Council's position 2021	Difference	New amount
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	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 0 4	8 962 372	8 962 372	8 862 372	8 862 372	7 976 135	7 976 135	986 237	986 237	8 962 372	8 962 372
Reserve										
Total	8 962 372	8 962 372	8 862 372	8 862 372	7 976 135	7 976 135	986 237	986 237	8 962 372	8 962 372

Justification:

In spite of the COVID 19 crisis, the ambition of the institution should be to resume its core political activities as soon as the sanitary conditions allow it. Therefore, the financing of the needed means for these activities should be reinforce above Draft Budget.

Draft amendment 4478

=== BUDG/4478 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 1 2 0 0 — Remuneration and allowances

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 2 0 0	55 721 000	55 721 000	55 730 342	55 730 342	55 527 842	55 527 842	296 500	296 500	55 824 342	55 824 342
Reserve										
Total	55 721 000	55 721 000	55 730 342	55 730 342	55 527 842	55 527 842	296 500	296 500	55 824 342	55 824 342

Justification:

This amendment reinstates the appropriations related to the remuneration for 8 posts: 5 cut by the Commission in its consolidation of the EU draft budget and 3 cut by the Council in its reading. This amendment reinstates the Commission and Council cuts. Reinstatement is needed in order to be able to finance the cost of 8 new posts (1 for Irish translation, 2 for the Greens political group, 3 for the implementation of IT digital strategy, 2 for the Regional Hubs project) for 3 months in 2021.

Draft amendment 798

=== S&D//7224 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 1 2 0 0 — Remuneration and allowances

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 2 0 0	55 721 000	55 721 000	55 730 342	55 730 342	55 527 842	55 527 842	296 500	296 500	55 824 342	55 824 342
Reserve										
Total	55 721 000	55 721 000	55 730 342	55 730 342	55 527 842	55 527 842	296 500	296 500	55 824 342	55 824 342

Justification:

Since the European Council conclusion text does not mention any political agreement on any additional effort to be made on staff after completion of the actual period commitment by all institutions, the needs estimated by the institution are reinstated.

Draft amendment 768

=== I-D//7863 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 1 4 0 0 — Other staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 0	3 215 849	3 215 849	3 239 174	3 239 174	3 239 174	3 239 174	-485 877	-485 877	2 753 297	2 753 297
Reserve										
Total	3 215 849	3 215 849	3 239 174	3 239 174	3 239 174	3 239 174	-485 877	-485 877	2 753 297	2 753 297

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

Draft amendment 799

=== S&D//7225 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 1 4 0 2 — Interpreting services

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 2	3 909 502	3 909 502	3 806 000	3 806 000	3 806 000	3 806 000	260 000	260 000	4 066 000	4 066 000
Reserve										
Total	3 909 502	3 909 502	3 806 000	3 806 000	3 806 000	3 806 000	260 000	260 000	4 066 000	4 066 000

Justification:

In spite of the COVID 19 crisis, the ambition of the institution should be to resume its core political activities as soon as the sanitary conditions allow it. Therefore, the financing of the needed means for these activities should be reinforce above Draft Budget.

Draft amendment 800

=== S&D//7226 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 1 4 2 0 — Supplementary services for the translation service

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 2 0	730 705	730 705	545 000	545 000	545 000	545 000	310 000	310 000	855 000	855 000
Reserve										
Total	730 705	730 705	545 000	545 000	545 000	545 000	310 000	310 000	855 000	855 000

Justification:

In spite of the COVID 19 crisis, the ambition of the institution should be to resume its core political activities as soon as the sanitary conditions allow it. Therefore, the financing of the needed means for these

activities should be reinforce above Draft Budget.

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Draft amendment 4479

=== BUDG/4479 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Article 162 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
162	440 000	440 000	311 461	311 461	280 315	280 315	169 685	169 685	450 000	450 000
Reserve										
Total	440 000	440 000	311 461	311 461	280 315	280 315	169 685	169 685	450 000	450 000

Justification:

This amendment reinstates the appropriations related to missions. Commission has cut these appropriations by € 138,539 in its consolidation of the EU draft budget. The Council has cut further € 31,146. This amendment reinstates the Commission and Council cuts. Reinstatement is needed in order to carry out missions related to the increased political activities and initiatives at regional level, and local events that as a consequence require additional presence of staff alongside CoR members.

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Draft amendment 801

=== S&D//7227 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Article 162 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
162	440 000	440 000	311 461	311 461	280 315	280 315	219 370	219 370	499 685	499 685
Reserve										
Total	440 000	440 000	311 461	311 461	280 315	280 315	219 370	219 370	499 685	499 685

Justification:

In spite of the COVID 19 crisis, the ambition of the institution should be to resume its core political activities as soon as the sanitary conditions allow it. Therefore, the financing of the needed means for these activities should be reinforce above Draft Budget.

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Draft amendment 4446

=== BUDG/4446 ===

Tabled by Mario Furore, Tiziana Beghin, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 2 0 0 0 — Rent

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 0	1 665 185	1 665 185	2 338 888	2 338 888	2 338 888	2 338 888	-500 000	-500 000	1 838 888	1 838 888
Reserve										
Total	1 665 185	1 665 185	2 338 888	2 338 888	2 338 888	2 338 888	-500 000	-500 000	1 838 888	1 838 888

Justification:

The current EU Institutions rent contracts should be renegotiated in order to reduce the costs as much as possible through an efficient and economical optimisation of EU resources.

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Draft amendment 767

=== I-D//7862 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 2 0 0 0 — Rent

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 0	1 665 185	1 665 185	2 338 888	2 338 888	2 338 888	2 338 888	-350 833	-350 833	1 988 055	1 988 055
Reserve										
Total	1 665 185	1 665 185	2 338 888	2 338 888	2 338 888	2 338 888	-350 833	-350 833	1 988 055	1 988 055

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

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Draft amendment 4447

=== BUDG/4447 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 2 0 0 1 — Annual lease payments

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 1	9 250 845	9 250 845	9 433 746	9 433 746	9 433 746	9 433 746	-4 000 000	-4 000 000	5 433 746	5 433 746
Reserve										
Total	9 250 845	9 250 845	9 433 746	9 433 746	9 433 746	9 433 746	-4 000 000	-4 000 000	5 433 746	5 433 746

Justification:

The current EU Institutions contracts should be renegotiated in order to reduce the costs as much as possible through an efficient and economical optimisation of EU resources.

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Draft amendment 4448

=== BUDG/4448 ===

Tabled by Bogdan Rzońca, Zbigniew Kuźmiuk, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 2 1 0 2 — Outside assistance for the operation, development and maintenance of software systems

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 1 0 2	2 400 381	2 400 381	2 596 378	2 596 378	2 596 378	2 596 378	600 000	600 000	3 196 378	3 196 378
Reserve										
Total	2 400 381	2 400 381	2 596 378	2 596 378	2 596 378	2 596 378	600 000	600 000	3 196 378	3 196 378

Justification:

This amendment reinstates the appropriations related to the expenditure for development and maintenance of different IT-systems and platforms. Commission has cut the requested funding in its reading of the EU draft budget. This amendment reinstates fully the Commission's cut. Reinstatement is needed in order to allow the CoR to implement its IT digital strategy and to at least partially address the investment gap in the IT. This is becoming critical in the light of the current Covid-19 crisis.

Draft amendment 4480

=== BUDG/4480 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 2 1 0 2 — Outside assistance for the operation, development and maintenance of software systems

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 1 0 2	2 400 381	2 400 381	2 596 378	2 596 378	2 596 378	2 596 378	600 000	600 000	3 196 378	3 196 378
Reserve										
Total	2 400 381	2 400 381	2 596 378	2 596 378	2 596 378	2 596 378	600 000	600 000	3 196 378	3 196 378

Justification:

This amendment reinstates the appropriations related to the expenditure for development and maintenance of different IT systems and platforms. Commission has cut the requested funding in its reading of the EU draft budget. This amendment reinstates fully the Commission cut. Reinstatement is needed in order to allow the CoR to implement its IT digital strategy and to at least partially address the investment gap in the IT. This is becoming critical in the light of the current Covid-19 crisis.

Draft amendment 4481

=== BUDG/4481 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Article 2 1 4 — Technical equipment and installations

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 1 4	1 097 271	1 097 271	1 097 271	1 097 271	1 097 271	1 097 271	164 796	164 796	1 262 067	1 262 067
Reserve										

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Total	1 097 271	1 097 271	1 097 271	1 097 271	1 097 271	1 097 271	164 796	164 796	1 262 067	1 262 067

Justification:

This amendment reinstates the appropriations related to the technical equipment. Commission has cut the requested funding for this expenditure in its consolidation of the EU draft budget. This amendment reinstates fully the Commission cut. Reinstatement is needed in order to ensure the sufficient financing for (i) maintenance of the meeting rooms' equipment and (ii) rent and equipment of interpretation booths for CoR external events in regions and cities with participation of its Members.

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Draft amendment 4449

=== BUDG/4449 ===

Tabled by Bogdan Rzońca, Zbigniew Kuźmiuk, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 2 5 4 1 — Third parties

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 5 4 1	66 926	66 926	104 100	104 100	104 100	104 100	200 000	200 000	304 100	304 100
Reserve										
Total	66 926	66 926	104 100	104 100	104 100	104 100	200 000	200 000	304 100	304 100

Justification:

This amendment reinstates the appropriations related to the travel and subsistence allowances for third parties that participate in the CoR activities. Commission has cut these appropriations by 2/3 in its consolidation of the EU draft budget. This amendment reinstates fully the Commission's cut. The reinstatement is needed in order to allow the CoR to finance mainly (i) the participation of young elected politicians in their political activities and (ii) the project on "Regional hubs".

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Draft amendment 4482

=== BUDG/4482 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 2 5 4 1 — Third parties

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 5 4 1	66 926	66 926	104 100	104 100	104 100	104 100	200 000	200 000	304 100	304 100
Reserve										
Total	66 926	66 926	104 100	104 100	104 100	104 100	200 000	200 000	304 100	304 100

Justification:

This amendment reinstates the appropriations related to the travel and subsistence allowance for third parties in the CoR activities. Commission has cut these appropriations by 2/3 in its consolidation of the EU draft budget. This amendment reinstates fully the Commission cut. The reinstatement is needed in order to allow the CoR to finance mainly (i) the participation of young elected politicians in its political activities and (ii) the project of "Regional Hubs".

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Draft amendment 4483

=== BUDG/4483 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

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SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 2 5 4 2 — Organisation of events in partnership with local and regional authorities, associations and European Institutions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 5 4 2	538 647	538 647	438 647	438 647	394 782	394 782	143 865	143 865	538 647	538 647
Reserve										
Total	538 647	538 647	438 647	438 647	394 782	394 782	143 865	143 865	538 647	538 647

Justification:

This amendment reinstates the appropriations related to the organization of events. Commission has cut these appropriations by € 100,000 in its consolidation of the EU draft budget, well below the available 2020 budget. The Council has cut further € 43,865. This amendment reinstates fully the Commission and Council cuts. The reinstatement is needed in order to allow the CoR to organize the planned events in 2021.

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Draft amendment 802

=== S&D//7228 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

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SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 2 5 4 2 — Organisation of events in partnership with local and regional authorities, associations and European Institutions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 5 4 2	538 647	538 647	438 647	438 647	394 782	394 782	43 865	43 865	438 647	438 647
Reserve										
Total	538 647	538 647	438 647	438 647	394 782	394 782	43 865	43 865	438 647	438 647

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 803

=== S&D//7229 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

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SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Item 2 6 2 0 — External expertise and studies

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 6 2 0	500 000	500 000	450 000	450 000	450 000	450 000	50 000	50 000	500 000	500 000

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Reserve										
Total	500 000	500 000	450 000	450 000	450 000	450 000	50 000	50 000	500 000	500 000

Justification:

In spite of the COVID 19 crisis, the ambition of the institution should be to resume its core political activities as soon as the sanitary conditions allow it. Therefore, the financing of the needed means for these activities should be reinforced above Draft Budget.

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Draft amendment 4450

=== BUDG/4450 ===

Tabled by Bogdan Rzońca, Zbigniew Kuźmiuk, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Article 264 — CoR Political groups' communication activities

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
264	185 143	185 143	195 049	195 049	195 049	195 049	200 000	200 000	395 049	395 049
Reserve										
Total	185 143	185 143	195 049	195 049	195 049	195 049	200 000	200 000	395 049	395 049

Justification:

This amendment reinstates the appropriations related to the communication activities of the CoR Political Groups. Commission has cut these appropriations well below 2018-2020 levels (after transfer INF 1/2020) in its consolidation of the draft EU budget (cut by half). This amendment reinstates fully the Commission's cut. Reinstatement is needed in order to ensure the sufficient financing for the communication activities of the 6 CoR Political Groups.

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Draft amendment 804

=== S&D/7230 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Article 264 — CoR Political groups' communication activities

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
264	185 143	185 143	195 049	195 049	195 049	195 049	200 000	200 000	395 049	395 049
Reserve										
Total	185 143	185 143	195 049	195 049	195 049	195 049	200 000	200 000	395 049	395 049

Justification:

In spite of the COVID 19 crisis, the ambition of the institution should be to resume its core political activities as soon as the sanitary conditions allow it. Therefore, the financing of the needed means for these activities should be reinforced above Draft Budget.

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Draft amendment 4476

=== BUDG/4476 ===

SECTION VII — EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

S 1 — Section VII — European Committee of the Regions

Amend remarks as follows:

Amend text as follows:

Function group and grade				
	2021		2020	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
Non-category		1		1
AD 16				
AD 15	7		6	
AD 14	26	4	27	4
AD 13	24	1	23	1
AD 12	30	4	31	3
AD 11	29	1	27	1
AD 10	29	4	29	5
AD 9	29	6	31	4
AD 8	45	4	45	6
AD 7	29	9	29	6
AD 6	12	7	11	9
AD 5	6	6	1	
<i>AD Subtotal</i>	266	40	260	39
	260	30		
AST 11	5		5	
AST 10	5		5	
AST 9	17	1	16	
AST 8	17		16	1
AST 7	31	3	31	2
AST 6	23	1	23	1
AST 5	45	7	47	6
AST 4	22	3	22	4
AST 3		1		2
AST 2		1		
AST 1				
<i>AST Subtotal</i>	165	17	165	16
		16		
AST/SC 6	1		1	
AST/SC 5	1		1	
AST/SC 4	2		2	
AST/SC 3	1			
AST/SC 2	5		6	
AST/SC 1				
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>	10		10	
Total	441	58	435	56
	435	56		
Grand total	499		491	
	491			

Justification:

This amendment reinstates the 8 posts: 5 cut by the Commission in its consolidation of the EU draft budget and 3 cut by the Council in its reading. This amendment reinstates the Commission and Council cuts. Reinstatement is needed in order to be able to finance the cost of 8 new posts (1 for Irish translation, 2 for the Greens political group, 3 for the implementation of IT digital strategy, 2 for the Regional Hubs project) for 3 months in 2021.

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Draft amendment 4484

=== BUDG/4484 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VIII — EUROPEAN OMBUDSMAN

Item 1 2 0 0 — Remuneration and allowances

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 2 0 0	8 443 784	8 443 784	8 517 843	8 517 843	8 397 843	8 397 843	120 000	120 000	8 517 843	8 517 843
Reserve										
Total	8 443 784	8 443 784	8 517 843	8 517 843	8 397 843	8 397 843	120 000	120 000	8 517 843	8 517 843

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

In the 2017 discharge procedure, Parliament underlined the need for the Ombudsman to stop using contract agents for functions structurally embedded in the Office. The Ombudsman started implementing this policy in 2019. It was granted 3 additional establishment plan posts in 2020 and thus reduced the number of contract agents accordingly. In 2021, by requesting 4 additional establishment plan posts, the Ombudsman intends to pursue the reduction of contract agents by reducing the corresponding appropriations. The overall headcount remains unchanged.

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Draft amendment 805

=== S&D//7231 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VIII — EUROPEAN OMBUDSMAN

Item 1 2 0 0 — Remuneration and allowances

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 2 0 0	8 443 784	8 443 784	8 517 843	8 517 843	8 397 843	8 397 843	120 000	120 000	8 517 843	8 517 843
Reserve										
Total	8 443 784	8 443 784	8 517 843	8 517 843	8 397 843	8 397 843	120 000	120 000	8 517 843	8 517 843

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 4485

=== BUDG/4485 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Valerie Hayer, Nicolae Ștefănuță, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VIII — EUROPEAN OMBUDSMAN

Item 1 4 0 0 — Other staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020	Draft budget 2021	Council's position 2021	Difference	New amount
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	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0 0	545 000	545 000	322 400	322 400	422 400	422 400	-100 000	-100 000	322 400	322 400
Reserve										
Total	545 000	545 000	322 400	322 400	422 400	422 400	-100 000	-100 000	322 400	322 400

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

In the discharge procedure for the financial year 2017, Parliament drew the attention to the need for the Ombudsman to stop using contract agents to perform functions structurally embedded in the Office. In 2020 the Ombudsman started that process and intends to conclude it in 2021. The present amendment aims at reducing the appropriations for contract agents in exchange of an increase of the number of establishment plan posts (see amendment on line 1200).

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 4451

=== BUDG/4451 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VIII — EUROPEAN OMBUDSMAN

Item 2 0 0 0 — Rent

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 0	1 100 000	1 100 000	1 100 000	1 100 000	1 100 000	1 100 000	-150 000	-150 000	950 000	950 000
Reserve										
Total	1 100 000	1 100 000	1 100 000	1 100 000	1 100 000	1 100 000	-150 000	-150 000	950 000	950 000

Justification:

The current EU Institutions rent contracts should be renegotiated in order to reduce the costs as much as possible through an efficient and economical optimisation of EU resources.

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Draft amendment 4487

=== BUDG/4487 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Valerie Hayer, Nils Torvalds, Nicolae Ștefănuță, Committee on Budgets

SECTION VIII — EUROPEAN OMBUDSMAN

S 1 — Section VIII — European Ombudsman

Amend remarks as follows:

Amend text as follows:

Function group and grade				
	2021		2020	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16		1		1
AD 15	1		1	
AD 14	2		2	
AD 13	2	2	2	1
AD 12	2		1	1
AD 11	3	1	4	
AD 10	3	2	2	3
AD 9	2	1	2	

AD 8	4		3	1
AD 7	8	2	8	1
AD 6	2	3	4	2
AD 5		2		3
		1		
<i>AD Subtotal</i>	29	14 14	29	13
AST 11				
AST 10		1		
AST 9		1		1
AST 8	1			1
AST 7	4	2	4	1
AST 6	2	1	2	1
AST 5	2	3	2	3
AST 4	3	3	2	3
AST 3	1		3	1
AST 2				
AST 1				
<i>AST Subtotal</i>	13	11	13	11
AST/SC 6				
AST/SC 5				
AST/SC 4				
AST/SC 3	1		1	
AST/SC 2		5		2
		2		
AST/SC 1				
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>	1	5 2	1	2
Total	43	30 26	43	26
Grand total	73 69		69	

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB)

In the 2017 discharge procedure, Parliament underlined the need for the Ombudsman to stop using contract agents for functions structurally embedded in the Office. The Ombudsman started implementing this policy in 2019. It was granted 3 additional establishment plan posts in 2020 and thus reduced the number of contract agents accordingly. In 2021, by requesting 4 additional establishment plan posts, the Ombudsman intends to pursue the reduction of contract agents by reducing the corresponding appropriations. The overall headcount remains unchanged.

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Draft amendment 833

=== S&D//7286 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION VIII — EUROPEAN OMBUDSMAN

S 1 — Section VIII — European Ombudsman

Amend remarks as follows:

Amend text as follows:

Function group and grade	2021		2020	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16		1		1
AD 15	1		1	

AD 14	2		2	
AD 13	2	2	2	1
AD 12	2		1	1
AD 11	3	1	4	
AD 10	3	2	2	3
AD 9	2	1	2	
AD 8	4		3	1
AD 7	8	2	8	1
AD 6	2	3	4	2
AD 5	1	1		3
<i>AD Subtotal</i>	30 20	13	29	13
AST 11				
AST 10		1		
AST 9		1		1
AST 8	1			1
AST 7	4	2	4	1
AST 6	2	1	2	1
AST 5	2	3	2	3
AST 4	3	3	2	3
AST 3	1		3	1
AST 2				
AST 1				
<i>AST Subtotal</i>	13	11	13	11
AST/SC 6				
AST/SC 5				
AST/SC 4				
AST/SC 3	1		1	
AST/SC 2	3	2		2
AST/SC 1				
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>	4 4	2	1	2
Total	47 43	26	43	26
Grand total	73 69		69	

Justification:

Since the European Council conclusion text does not mention any political agreement on any additional effort to be made on staff after completion of the actual period commitment by all institutions, the needs estimated by the institution are reinstated

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Draft amendment 4488

=== BUDG/4488 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 1 0 1 1 — Mission expenses, travel expenses and other ancillary expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 1 1	59 394	59 394	33 000	33 000	29 700	29 700	3 300	3 300	33 000	33 000
Reserve										
Total	59 394	59 394	33 000	33 000	29 700	29 700	3 300	3 300	33 000	33 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 806

=== S&D//7232 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 1 0 1 1 — Mission expenses, travel expenses and other ancillary expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 0 1 1	59 394	59 394	33 000	33 000	29 700	29 700	3 300	3 300	33 000	33 000
Reserve										
Total	59 394	59 394	33 000	33 000	29 700	29 700	3 300	3 300	33 000	33 000

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 4489

=== BUDG/4489 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets, Sophia in 't Veld, Fabienne Keller, Moritz Körner, Nils Torvalds, Nicolae Ștefănuță, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 1 1 1 0 — Contract staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 1 1 0	923 815	923 815	1 066 000	1 066 000	938 500	938 500	127 500	127 500	1 066 000	1 066 000
Reserve										
Total	923 815	923 815	1 066 000	1 066 000	938 500	938 500	127 500	127 500	1 066 000	1 066 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 807

=== S&D//7233 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 1 1 1 0 — Contract staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 1 1 0	923 815	923 815	1 066 000	1 066 000	938 500	938 500	127 500	127 500	1 066 000	1 066 000
Reserve										
Total	923 815	923 815	1 066 000	1 066 000	938 500	938 500	127 500	127 500	1 066 000	1 066 000

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 4491

=== BUDG/4491 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 1 1 2 0 — Mission expenses, travel expenses and other ancillary expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 1 2 0	135 000	135 000	155 000	155 000	139 500	139 500	15 500	15 500	155 000	155 000
Reserve										
Total	135 000	135 000	155 000	155 000	139 500	139 500	15 500	15 500	155 000	155 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 808

=== S&D//7234 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 1 1 2 0 — Mission expenses, travel expenses and other ancillary expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 1 2 0	135 000	135 000	155 000	155 000	139 500	139 500	15 500	15 500	155 000	155 000
Reserve										
Total	135 000	135 000	155 000	155 000	139 500	139 500	15 500	15 500	155 000	155 000

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 4453

=== BUDG/4453 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Article 2 0 0 — Rents, charges and buildings expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0	1 594 640	1 594 640	1 589 899	1 589 899	1 589 899	1 589 899	-300 000	-300 000	1 289 899	1 289 899
Reserve										
Total	1 594 640	1 594 640	1 589 899	1 589 899	1 589 899	1 589 899	-300 000	-300 000	1 289 899	1 289 899

Justification:

The current EU Institutions rent contracts should be renegotiated in order to reduce the costs as much as possible through an efficient and economical optimisation of EU resources.

Draft amendment 769 I-D//7864

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Article 200 — Rents, charges and buildings expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
200	1 594 640	1 594 640	1 589 899	1 589 899	1 589 899	1 589 899	-238 485	-238 485	1 351 414	1 351 414
Reserve										
Total	1 594 640	1 594 640	1 589 899	1 589 899	1 589 899	1 589 899	-238 485	-238 485	1 351 414	1 351 414

Justification:

We do not consider this budgetary line as a priority to support.

Draft amendment 4492 BUDG/4492

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 2015 — Expenditure in connection with the activities of the institution

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2015	154 000	154 000	184 000	184 000	165 600	165 600	18 400	18 400	184 000	184 000
Reserve										
Total	154 000	154 000	184 000	184 000	165 600	165 600	18 400	18 400	184 000	184 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 809 S&D//7235

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 2015 — Expenditure in connection with the activities of the institution

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2015	154 000	154 000	184 000	184 000	165 600	165 600	18 400	18 400	184 000	184 000
Reserve										

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Total	154 000	154 000	184 000	184 000	165 600	165 600	18 400	18 400	184 000	184 000

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 4493

=== BUDG/4493 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 2 0 1 6 — Experts reimbursements

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 1 6	70 000	70 000	75 000	75 000	67 500	67 500	7 500	7 500	75 000	75 000
Reserve										
Total	70 000	70 000	75 000	75 000	67 500	67 500	7 500	7 500	75 000	75 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 810

=== S&D//7236 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 2 0 1 6 — Experts reimbursements

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 1 6	70 000	70 000	75 000	75 000	67 500	67 500	7 500	7 500	75 000	75 000
Reserve										
Total	70 000	70 000	75 000	75 000	67 500	67 500	7 500	7 500	75 000	75 000

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 4494

=== BUDG/4494 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets, Sophia in 't Veld, Fabienne Keller, Moritz Körner, Nils Torvalds, Nicolae Ștefănuță, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 3 0 2 0 — Contract staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020	Draft budget 2021	Council's position 2021	Difference	New amount
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	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 2 0	311 788	311 788	652 000	652 000	397 000	397 000	255 000	255 000	652 000	652 000
Reserve										
Total	311 788	311 788	652 000	652 000	397 000	397 000	255 000	255 000	652 000	652 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 811

=== S&D//7237 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 3 0 2 0 — Contract staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 2 0	311 788	311 788	652 000	652 000	397 000	397 000	255 000	255 000	652 000	652 000
Reserve										
Total	311 788	311 788	652 000	652 000	397 000	397 000	255 000	255 000	652 000	652 000

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 4495

=== BUDG/4495 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 3 0 3 0 — Mission expenses, travel expenses and other ancillary expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 3 0	35 700	35 700	50 000	50 000	45 000	45 000	5 000	5 000	50 000	50 000
Reserve										
Total	35 700	35 700	50 000	50 000	45 000	45 000	5 000	5 000	50 000	50 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 812

=== S&D//7238 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 3 0 3 0 — Mission expenses, travel expenses and other ancillary expenditure

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020	Draft budget 2021	Council's position 2021	Difference	New amount
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	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 3 0	35 700	35 700	50 000	50 000	45 000	45 000	5 000	5 000	50 000	50 000
Reserve										
Total	35 700	35 700	50 000	50 000	45 000	45 000	5 000	5 000	50 000	50 000

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 4496

=== BUDG/4496 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 3 0 4 8 — EDPB Chair and Vice chairs expenses

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 4 8	55 000	55 000	59 000	59 000	53 100	53 100	5 900	5 900	59 000	59 000
Reserve										
Total	55 000	55 000	59 000	59 000	53 100	53 100	5 900	5 900	59 000	59 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

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Draft amendment 813

=== S&D//7239 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION IX — EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR

Item 3 0 4 8 — EDPB Chair and Vice chairs expenses

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 4 8	55 000	55 000	59 000	59 000	53 100	53 100	5 900	5 900	59 000	59 000
Reserve										
Total	55 000	55 000	59 000	59 000	53 100	53 100	5 900	5 900	59 000	59 000

Justification:

Restore DB

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Draft amendment 4497

=== BUDG/4497 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 1 1 0 0 — Basic salaries

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020	Draft budget 2021	Council's position 2021	Difference	New amount
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	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 1 0 0	111 096 000	111 096 000	117 087 000	117 087 000	114 657 000	114 657 000	2 430 000	2 430 000	117 087 000	117 087 000
Reserve										
Total	111 096 000	111 096 000	117 087 000	117 087 000	114 657 000	114 657 000	2 430 000	2 430 000	117 087 000	117 087 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

The workload and responsibilities of the departments responsible for physical and IT security and CSDP have increased significantly in recent years, and the draft budget therefore contains resources necessary to reinforce them. The Council's cuts would leave critical functions of the EEAS understaffed, in a situation where the EU faces increasingly serious global challenges.

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Draft amendment 770

=== I-D//7865 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 1 1 0 0 — Basic salaries

Amend figures, remarks and legal basis as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 1 0 0	111 096 000	111 096 000	117 087 000	117 087 000	114 657 000	114 657 000	-114 657 000	-114 657 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	111 096 000	111 096 000	117 087 000	117 087 000	114 657 000	114 657 000	-114 657 000	-114 657 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover basic salaries for officials and temporary staff holding a post provided for in the establishment plan and compensation provided for under Annex IV of the Staff Regulations.~~

~~The appropriation will be used in full compliance with the provisions of the Council Decision 2010/427/EU of 26 July 2010 establishing the organisation and functioning of the European External Action Service (OJ L 201, 3.8.2010, p. 30), and in particular Article 6(9) thereof. The existing imbalances in EEAS staffing in terms of the proportion of Member State diplomats and regular EU staff in certain positions will be addressed in line with the commitments given by the Vice President / High Representative in her letter of 13 September 2016 to the European Parliament.~~

~~Amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(2) and (3) of the Financial Regulation: p.m.~~

Legal basis:

Delete following text:

~~Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.~~

~~Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.~~

Justification:

The EEAS has proved to be useless and expensive; we ask therefore for a deletion of this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 814

=== S&D//7240 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 1 1 0 0 — Basic salaries

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 1 0 0	111 096 000	111 096 000	117 087 000	117 087 000	114 657 000	114 657 000	2 430 000	2 430 000	117 087 000	117 087 000
Reserve										
Total	111 096 000	111 096 000	117 087 000	117 087 000	114 657 000	114 657 000	2 430 000	2 430 000	117 087 000	117 087 000

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 771

=== I-D//7866 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 1 1 0 2 — Entitlements under the Staff Regulations related to the personal circumstances of the staff member

Amend figures, remarks and legal basis as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 1 0 2	28 318 000	28 318 000	30 032 000	30 032 000	30 032 000	30 032 000	-30 032 000	-30 032 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	28 318 000	28 318 000	30 032 000	30 032 000	30 032 000	30 032 000	-30 032 000	-30 032 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover primarily, for officials and temporary staff holding a post provided for in the establishment plan:~~

- ~~– expatriation and foreign residence allowances;~~
- ~~– household, dependent child and education allowances;~~
- ~~– allowances for parental or family leave;~~
- ~~– payment of travel expenses for officials or temporary staff, their spouses and dependants from their place of employment to their place of origin;~~
- ~~– in the event of the death of an official or an official's dependent, the costs incurred pursuant to Article 75 of the Staff Regulations for transporting the body;~~
- ~~– miscellaneous allowances and grants.~~

~~Amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(2) and (3) of the Financial Regulation: p.m.~~

Legal basis:

Delete following text:

~~Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.~~

Justification:

The EEAS has proved to be useless and expensive; we ask therefore for a deletion of this budgetary line.

Draft amendment 4498

=== BUDG/4498 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Valerie Hayer, Nicolae Ștefănuță, Committee on Budgets

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 1 2 0 0 — Contract staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 2 0 0	12 976 000	12 976 000	18 047 000	18 047 000	14 047 000	14 047 000	4 000 000	4 000 000	18 047 000	18 047 000
Reserve										
Total	12 976 000	12 976 000	18 047 000	18 047 000	14 047 000	14 047 000	4 000 000	4 000 000	18 047 000	18 047 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

The largest part of the increase to this budget item is explained by a reinforcement of the Strategic Communications department to support the fight against disinformation. However, the item increased disproportionately this year due to catch-up effects from 2020 and the shift of the financing of certain departments from the Delegations budget to Headquarters. The Council, focusing on the net increase to this item only, proposed cuts of far more than the cost of the new staff. These cuts would impose a net reduction of more than 30 posts from the 2020 level.

Draft amendment 772

=== I-D//7867 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 1 2 0 0 — Contract staff

Amend figures, remarks and legal basis as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 2 0 0	12 976 000	12 976 000	18 047 000	18 047 000	14 047 000	14 047 000	-14 047 000	-14 047 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	12 976 000	12 976 000	18 047 000	18 047 000	14 047 000	14 047 000	-14 047 000	-14 047 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover the remuneration of contract staff (within the meaning of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union), employer's contributions to the various social security schemes and the impact of salary weightings applicable to the remuneration of these staff.~~

~~This appropriation also covers the cost of 16 contract agents involved in strategic communication activities.~~

~~The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(2) and (3) of the Financial Regulation is~~

~~estimated at EUR 1 109 000.~~

Legal basis:

Delete following text:

~~Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.~~

Justification:

The EEAS has proved to be useless and expensive; we ask therefore for a deletion of this budgetary line.

Draft amendment 815

=== S&D//7241 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 1 2 0 0 — Contract staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 2 0 0	12 976 000	12 976 000	18 047 000	18 047 000	14 047 000	14 047 000	4 000 000	4 000 000	18 047 000	18 047 000
Reserve										
Total	12 976 000	12 976 000	18 047 000	18 047 000	14 047 000	14 047 000	4 000 000	4 000 000	18 047 000	18 047 000

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 4499

=== BUDG/4499 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Article 1 4 0 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 4 0	8 893 250	8 893 250	9 024 050	9 024 050	8 121 645	8 121 645	902 405	902 405	9 024 050	9 024 050
Reserve										
Total	8 893 250	8 893 250	9 024 050	9 024 050	8 121 645	8 121 645	902 405	902 405	9 024 050	9 024 050

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

The increase to the mission budget has been estimated by adding a standard amount, based on past execution, for each new staff member. However, to keep costs down, the EEAS did not include any inflationary effects. The increase sought in the draft budget was therefore only 1.5% of the 2020 amount; basically unchanged in real terms. The Council's cuts would correspond to a significant reduction of 8.5% compared to the 2020 amount. Given the EEAS' area of responsibility, missions are an important part of its necessary toolkit.

Draft amendment 773

=== I-D//7868 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Article 140 — Missions

Amend figures, remarks and legal basis as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
140	8 893 250	8 893 250	9 024 050	9 024 050	8 121 645	8 121 645	-8 121 645	-8 121 645	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	8 893 250	8 893 250	9 024 050	9 024 050	8 121 645	8 121 645	-8 121 645	-8 121 645	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover:~~

- ~~– mission expenses incurred by the High Representative and accompanying staff,~~
- ~~– mission expenses and staff duty travel expenses of the officials, temporary and contract staff and special advisers of the EEAS, together with transport costs, payment of daily subsistence allowances on mission and ancillary or special costs connected with missions,~~
- ~~– mission expenses incurred under the European Union Military Staff's terms of reference,~~
- ~~– mission expenses of national experts on secondment to the EEAS,~~
- ~~– mission expenses of the High Representative's special advisers and special envoys,~~
- ~~– mission expenses of successful candidates called for training prior to taking up duty,~~
- ~~– mission expenses of the chair of the Military Committee.~~

~~The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(2) and (3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 85 000.~~

Legal basis:

Delete following text:

~~Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union, and in particular Articles 11, 12 and 13 of Annex VII thereto.~~

~~Decision of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy on rules applicable to mission by EEAS staff.~~

~~Council Decision 2001/80/CFSP of 22 January 2001 on the establishment of the Military Staff of the European Union (OJ L 27, 30.1.2001, p. 7).~~

~~Decision of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy of 4 February 2014 establishing the rules applicable to National Experts seconded to the European External Action Service.~~

Justification:

The EEAS has proved to be useless and expensive; we ask therefore for a deletion of this budgetary line.

Draft amendment 816

=== S&D//7242 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Article 140 — Missions

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
140	8 893 250	8 893 250	9 024 050	9 024 050	8 121 645	8 121 645	902 405	902 405	9 024 050	9 024 050
Reserve										
Total	8 893 250	8 893 250	9 024 050	9 024 050	8 121 645	8 121 645	902 405	902 405	9 024 050	9 024 050

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 774

=== I-D//7869 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 2000 — Rent and annual lease payments

Amend remarks as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2000	21 306 000	21 306 000	21 812 400	21 812 400	21 812 400	21 812 400			21 812 400	21 812 400
Reserve										
Total	21 306 000	21 306 000	21 812 400	21 812 400	21 812 400	21 812 400			21 812 400	21 812 400

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover in Brussels the rent and taxes on buildings occupied by the EEAS and the rent for meeting rooms, a warehouse and parking spaces.~~

~~It is also intended to cover the annual lease payments for buildings or parts of buildings under existing leases or leases in preparation.~~

~~The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(2) and (3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 985 000.~~

Justification:

The EEAS has proved to be useless and expensive; we ask therefore for a deletion of this budgetary line.

Draft amendment 4455

=== BUDG/4455 ===

Tabled by Tiziana Beghin, Mario Furore, Committee on Budgets

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 2 0 0 0 — Rent and annual lease payments

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 0 0 0	21 306 000	21 306 000	21 812 400	21 812 400	21 812 400	21 812 400	-6 000 000	-6 000 000	15 812 400	15 812 400
Reserve										
Total	21 306 000	21 306 000	21 812 400	21 812 400	21 812 400	21 812 400	-6 000 000	-6 000 000	15 812 400	15 812 400

Justification:

The current EU Institutions rent contracts should be renegotiated in order to reduce the costs as much as possible through an efficient and economical optimisation of EU resources.

Draft amendment 4500

=== BUDG/4500 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 2 2 0 0 — Organisation of meetings, conferences and congresses

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 2 0 0	700 000	700 000	700 000	700 000	630 000	630 000	70 000	70 000	700 000	700 000
Reserve										
Total	700 000	700 000	700 000	700 000	630 000	630 000	70 000	70 000	700 000	700 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

The budget item notably finances political dialogue meetings at ministerial and senior official level and protocol-related activities, and is essential for the EEAS' ability to execute soft power. The budget item was unchanged compared to 2020, so the Council's cuts represents a cut of 10%.

Draft amendment 817

=== S&D//7243 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 2 2 0 0 — Organisation of meetings, conferences and congresses

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 2 0 0	700 000	700 000	700 000	700 000	630 000	630 000	70 000	70 000	700 000	700 000
Reserve										
Total	700 000	700 000	700 000	700 000	630 000	630 000	70 000	70 000	700 000	700 000

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 4501

=== BUDG/4501 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 2 2 0 1 — Experts' travel expenses

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 2 0 1	40 000	40 000	40 000	40 000	36 000	36 000	4 000	4 000	40 000	40 000
Reserve										
Total	40 000	40 000	40 000	40 000	36 000	36 000	4 000	4 000	40 000	40 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

The budget item covers modest travel expenses and subsistence allowances for experts invited to meetings in order to advise and support the EEAS; this represents excellent value for money for the EU. The draft budget foresaw an unchanged amount compared to 2020 and the Council's cut represents a reduction of 10%.

Draft amendment 818

=== S&D//7244 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 2 2 0 1 — Experts' travel expenses

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 2 0 1	40 000	40 000	40 000	40 000	36 000	36 000	4 000	4 000	40 000	40 000
Reserve										
Total	40 000	40 000	40 000	40 000	36 000	36 000	4 000	4 000	40 000	40 000

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 4502

=== BUDG/4502 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Committee on Budgets

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 2 2 1 3 — Public information and public events

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 2 1 3	495 000	495 000	995 000	995 000	895 500	895 500	99 500	99 500	995 000	995 000
Reserve										
Total	495 000	495 000	995 000	995 000	895 500	895 500	99 500	99 500	995 000	995 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

There is a clear and explicit political expectation, not least from the Parliament, to step up Public diplomacy activities, inside and outside the EU as the essential foreign policy tool for increasing connections and shaping perceptions. This leads to considerable increases in the number and dimension of communication campaigns and the number of public events, which explain the requested increase. Cutting the line would reduce the EEAS' possibilities to exert soft power.

Draft amendment 819 === S&D//7245 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 2 2 1 3 — Public information and public events

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 2 1 3	495 000	495 000	995 000	995 000	895 500	895 500	99 500	99 500	995 000	995 000
Reserve										
Total	495 000	495 000	995 000	995 000	895 500	895 500	99 500	99 500	995 000	995 000

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 443 === AFET/6573 ===

Tabled by Committee on Foreign Affairs

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 2 2 1 4 — Strategic Communication Capacity

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 2 1 4	2 000 000	2 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	4 000 000	4 000 000
Reserve										
Total	2 000 000	2 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	4 000 000	4 000 000

Justification:

The EU needs to step up further the fight against disinformation. The COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated the need for the EU to more actively engage in strategic communication and counter disinformation in its neighbourhood and beyond.

Draft amendment 4456 === BUDG/4456 ===

Tabled by Bart Groothuis, Nils Torvalds

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 2 2 1 4 — Strategic Communication Capacity

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 2 1 4	2 000 000	2 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	4 000 000	4 000 000
Reserve										
Total	2 000 000	2 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	4 000 000	4 000 000

Justification:

In a time when geopolitical power competition encourages foreign actors to divide and undermine the strength and unity of the European Union, we should double our efforts to collectively defend our sovereignty, democratic institutions and values. In this respect, state-sponsored disinformation, influence operations, and foreign interference have become a serious challenge for the EU. Due to this threat, we should invest more in our capacity to counter disinformation.

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Draft amendment 775

=== I-D//7870 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 3 0 0 0 — Remuneration and entitlements of statutory staff

Amend figures, remarks and legal basis as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 0 0	132 337 000	132 337 000	129 916 000	129 916 000	129 916 000	129 916 000	-129 916 000	-129 916 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	132 337 000	132 337 000	129 916 000	129 916 000	129 916 000	129 916 000	-129 916 000	-129 916 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure incurred within delegations of the European Union outside the Union and delegations to international organisations situated inside the Union in respect of officials and temporary staff holding a post provided for in the establishment plan:~~

- ~~– basic salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries;~~
- ~~– accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges;~~
- ~~– unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin;~~
- ~~– miscellaneous allowances and grants;~~
- ~~– overtime;~~
- ~~– the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration;~~
- ~~– the cost of any updates to remuneration during the financial year.~~

~~Amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(2) and (3) of the Financial Regulation: p.m.~~

Legal basis:

Delete following text:

~~Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.~~

~~Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.~~

~~Rules governing designation, remuneration and other financial conditions adopted by the EEAS.~~

Justification:

The EEAS has proved to be useless and expensive; we ask therefore for a deletion of this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 444

=== AFET/6574 ===

Tabled by Committee on Foreign Affairs

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 3 0 0 1 — External staff and outside services

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 0 1	79 423 000	79 423 000	81 190 000	81 190 000	81 190 000	81 190 000	450 000	450 000	81 640 000	81 640 000
Reserve										
Total	79 423 000	79 423 000	81 190 000	81 190 000	81 190 000	81 190 000	450 000	450 000	81 640 000	81 640 000

Remarks:

After paragraph:

Amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(2) and (3) of the Financial Regulation: p.m.

Add following text:

In countries of specific strategic interest for the EU, particularly the accession countries and the associated countries of the Eastern Partnership, the EEAS should foresee, in its establishment plan, the appointment of a local agent dedicated to the monitoring of developments in the national parliament. The tasks covered by this local agent would include, among others: reporting to the different EU institutions on legislation presented / adopted / rejected by the national parliament, notably as regards the approximation with the EU acquis and the implementation of the association agreement; reporting on developments of political relevance for the EU Institutions; reporting on demand on any other relevant development.

Justification:

Improve the cooperation between the European institutions and the parliaments in association and enlargement countries.

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Draft amendment 776

=== I-D//7871 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 3 0 0 1 — External staff and outside services

Amend figures, remarks and legal basis as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 0 1	79 423 000	79 423 000	81 190 000	81 190 000	81 190 000	81 190 000	-81 190 000	-81 190 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Total	79 423 000	79 423 000	81 190 000	81 190 000	81 190 000	81 190 000	-81 190 000	-81 190 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure incurred in relation to delegations of the European Union outside the Union and delegations to international organisations situated inside the Union:~~

- ~~– the remuneration of local and/or contract staff, and the social security charges and benefits to be met by the employer,~~
- ~~– employer's contributions towards supplementary social security cover for local staff,~~
- ~~– services of agency and freelance staff.~~

~~Amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(2) and (3) of the Financial Regulation: p.m.~~

Legal basis:

Delete following text:

~~Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.~~

Justification:

The EEAS has proved to be useless and expensive; we ask therefore for a deletion of this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 4503

=== BUDG/4503 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Valerie Hayer, Committee on Budgets

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 3 0 0 2 — Other expenditure related to staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 0 2	33 947 239	33 947 239	31 598 500	31 598 500	30 598 500	30 598 500	1 000 000	1 000 000	31 598 500	31 598 500
Reserve										
Total	33 947 239	33 947 239	31 598 500	31 598 500	30 598 500	30 598 500	1 000 000	1 000 000	31 598 500	31 598 500

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

The budget item finances various expenses related to staff in Delegations, notably costs for rotation, national experts, missions, representation and training, all of which are necessary for the good functioning of the Delegation network. The 2021 draft budget amount represents already a reduction compared to 2020 of 6.9%; the Council's cuts would increase the reduction to 9.9%.

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Draft amendment 777

=== I-D//7872 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 3 0 0 2 — Other expenditure related to staff

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 0 2	33 947 239	33 947 239	31 598 500	31 598 500	30 598 500	30 598 500	-30 598 500	-30 598 500	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	33 947 239	33 947 239	31 598 500	31 598 500	30 598 500	30 598 500	-30 598 500	-30 598 500	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure incurred within delegations of the European Union outside the Union and delegations to international organisations situated inside the Union:~~

- ~~– expenditure related to the posting of Junior Experts (university graduates) and trainees to the delegations of the European Union,~~
- ~~– the cost of seminars organised for young diplomats from the Member States and third countries,~~
- ~~– expenditure relating to the secondment or temporary assignment of officials from the Member States to delegations,~~
- ~~– installation and resettlement allowances due to staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on finally leaving the institution and resettling elsewhere,~~
- ~~– travel expenses due to staff (including members of their family) on taking up duty, on transfer to another place of employment, or on leaving the institution,~~
- ~~– removal expenses due to staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to another place of employment and on finally leaving the institution and resettling elsewhere,~~
- ~~– in the event of the death of a member of the EEAS staff or a dependent person, the costs incurred pursuant to Article 75 of the Staff Regulations for transporting the body,~~
- ~~– miscellaneous costs and allowances concerning staff, including legal consultations,~~
- ~~– expenditure arising from recruitment procedures of officials, temporary agents, contract staff and local staff, including publication costs, travel and subsistence costs and accident insurance for candidates called for examinations and interviews, costs connected with the organisation of group recruitment tests and pre-recruitment medical examinations,~~
- ~~– the acquisition, replacement, conversion and maintenance of equipment of a medical nature installed in delegations,~~
- ~~– expenses related to the cost of annual medical examinations of officials, contract staff and local staff, including analyses and tests carried out as part of such examinations, the cost of medical and dental advisers and the costs concerning the policy regarding AIDS at the workplace,~~
- ~~– cultural activities and initiatives for encouraging social contacts between expatriate and local staff,~~
- ~~– the fixed allowance granted to officials who regularly incur representation expenses by reason of their duties, and the reimbursement of costs incurred by authorised officials to represent the Commission and/or the EEAS in the interests of the service and by reason of their duties (in the case of delegations within the territory of the Union, part of the accommodation expenses will be covered by the fixed representation allowance),~~
- ~~– expenditure on travel expenses, daily subsistence allowances for missions and incidental or exceptional expenses incurred in connection with missions by officials and other staff,~~
- ~~– expenditure on travel expenses and daily subsistence allowances for successful candidates called for training prior to taking up duty,~~

- expenditure on travel expenses and daily subsistence allowances for experts invited to meetings by delegations;
- expenditure on travel expenses, daily subsistence allowances and insurance in connection with medical evacuations;
- expenditure arising from crisis situations, including travel, accommodation and daily subsistence allowances;
- expenditure on general and language training designed to improve the skills of the staff and the performance of the institution;
- fees for experts employed to identify training needs, design, develop and hold courses and to evaluate and monitor results;
- fees for consultants in various fields, in particular organisational methods, planning, management, strategy, quality assurance and personnel management;
- expenditure incurred in designing, holding and evaluating training organised by the institution in the form of courses, seminars and conferences (course instructors/speakers and their travel and subsistence expenses and teaching materials);
- expenditure related to the practical and logistical aspects of organising courses including premises, transport and equipment hire for training and local and regional seminars as well as miscellaneous connected costs, such as refreshments and food;
- the cost of participation in conferences and symposiums, and subscriptions to professional and scientific associations;
- training expenditure related to publications and information, associated internet sites and the purchase of teaching equipment, subscriptions and licenses for distance teaching, books, press and multimedia products;
- the costs associated with the diplomatic exchange programme, such as travel and installation costs, in accordance with the Staff Regulations.

~~The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(2) and (3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 120 000.~~

Justification:

The EEAS has proved to be useless and expensive; we ask therefore for a deletion of this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 820

=== S&D//7246 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 3 0 0 2 — Other expenditure related to staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 0 2	33 947 239	33 947 239	31 598 500	31 598 500	30 598 500	30 598 500	1 000 000	1 000 000	31 598 500	31 598 500
Reserve										
Total	33 947 239	33 947 239	31 598 500	31 598 500	30 598 500	30 598 500	1 000 000	1 000 000	31 598 500	31 598 500

Justification:

Restore DB

Draft amendment 778

=== I-D//7873 ===

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 3 0 0 3 — Buildings and associated costs

Amend figures and remarks as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 0 3	162 549 714	162 549 714	166 248 000	166 248 000	166 248 000	166 248 000	-166 248 000	-166 248 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	162 549 714	162 549 714	166 248 000	166 248 000	166 248 000	166 248 000	-166 248 000	-166 248 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure incurred within delegations of the European Union outside the Union and delegations to international organisations situated inside the Union:~~

- ~~– temporary accommodation allowances and daily allowances for officials, temporary agents and contract agents;~~
- ~~– as regards rent and other charges on buildings for delegations outside the Union:~~
 - ~~– for all the buildings or parts of buildings occupied by the offices of delegations outside the Union or by officials posted outside the Union: rent (including temporary accommodation) and taxes, insurance premiums, refurbishments and major repairs, routine expenditure relating to the security of persons and goods (cipher machines, safes, window bars, etc.);~~
 - ~~– for all the buildings or parts of buildings occupied by the offices of delegations outside the Union and delegates' residences: water, gas, electricity and fuel charges, maintenance and repairs, handling, refurbishment and other routine expenses (local taxes for street maintenance and refuse collection and the purchase of signs and signposts);~~
- ~~– as regards rent and other charges on buildings within Union territory:~~
 - ~~– for all the buildings or parts of buildings occupied by the offices of delegations: rent; water, gas, electricity and heating energy charges; insurance premiums; maintenance and repairs; refurbishment and major repairs; expenditure relating to security, particularly contracts for surveillance and the hiring and refilling of extinguishers; the purchase and maintenance of fire fighting equipment and the replacement of equipment of voluntary fire fighting officials; the cost of statutory inspections, etc.;~~
 - ~~– for the buildings or parts of buildings occupied by officials: reimbursement of expenditure relating to the security of housing;~~
- ~~– the acquisition of building land and buildings (purchase or lease purchase option) or the construction of offices or other accommodation, including the costs of preliminary studies and various related fees;~~
- ~~– administrative arrangements that are related mainly to infrastructure and the provision of accommodation;~~
- ~~– charges generated by loans (principal and interest) contracted under the Financial Regulation for the acquisition of property for delegations.~~

~~Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013,~~

~~(EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1) provides in its Article 266 the possibility for institutions to finance the acquisition of property through loans. This item will cover charges generated by such loans (principal and interest) for the acquisition of property for delegations.~~

~~The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(2) and (3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 26 770 000.~~

Justification:

The EEAS has proved to be useless and expensive; we ask therefore for a deletion of this budgetary line.

Draft amendment 779 == I-D//7874 ==

Tabled by Identity and Democracy Group

SECTION X — European External Action Service

Item 3 0 0 4 — Other administrative expenditure

Amend figures, remarks and legal basis as follows:

	Budget 2020		Draft budget 2021		Council's position 2021		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 0 0 4	46 488 000	46 488 000	45 398 000	45 398 000	45 398 000	45 398 000	-45 398 000	-45 398 000	p.m.	p.m.
Reserve										
Total	46 488 000	46 488 000	45 398 000	45 398 000	45 398 000	45 398 000	-45 398 000	-45 398 000	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

Delete following text:

~~This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure incurred within delegations of the European Union outside the Union and delegations to international organisations situated inside the Union:~~

- ~~– the purchase, hire, leasing, maintenance and repair of furniture and equipment, in particular audiovisual, archive, printing, library, interpretation and specialised office equipment (photocopiers, reader printers, fax machines, etc.) as well as the acquisition of documentation and supplies related to this equipment,~~
- ~~– the purchase, maintenance and repair of technical equipment such as generators, air conditioners, etc., and the installation of equipment for welfare facilities in the delegations,~~
- ~~– the purchase, replacement, hire, leasing, maintenance and repair of vehicles, including tools,~~
- ~~– insurance premiums for vehicles,~~
- ~~– the purchase of books, documents and other non periodical publications, including updates, and subscriptions to newspapers, periodicals and various publications, and the cost of binding and other costs for the preservation of periodicals,~~
- ~~– subscriptions to news agencies,~~
- ~~– the purchase of paper, envelopes, office supplies and supplies for reproduction, and some printing contracted to outside service providers,~~
- ~~– the transport and customs clearance of equipment, the purchase and cleaning of uniforms for floor messengers, drivers, etc., various types of insurance (in particular third party liability and theft), expenditure on internal meetings (drinks, food served on special occasions),~~
- ~~– the cost of studies, surveys and consultations connected with the administrative operation of delegations and any other operating expenses not specifically covered by the other items in this article,~~
- ~~– postal and delivery charges for mail, reports and publications, and for postal and other packages sent by~~

~~air, land, sea or rail,~~

- ~~– the cost of the diplomatic bag,~~
- ~~– all expenditure on furniture and fittings for residential accommodation made available to officials,~~
- ~~– the purchase, hire or leasing of data processing equipment (computers, terminals, mini computers, peripherals, connection devices) with the requisite software,~~
- ~~– outsourced services, in particular for the development, maintenance and support of information technology systems in the delegations,~~
- ~~– the purchase, hire or leasing of equipment for the reproduction of information on paper, such as printers and scanners,~~
- ~~– the purchase, hire or leasing of telephone exchanges and switchboards and equipment for data transmission with the requisite software,~~
- ~~– subscription charges and fixed costs for cable or radio communications (telephone, telegraph, telex, fax), expenditure on data transmission networks, telematic services, etc., and the purchase of directories,~~
- ~~– the cost of installation, configuration, maintenance, support, assistance, documentation and supplies related to this equipment,~~
- ~~– any expenditure on active security operations in delegations in emergencies,~~
- ~~– all financial charges, including bank charges,~~
- ~~– for imprest accounts, updates where all appropriate measures have been taken by the authorising officer to deal with the situation and where the updated expenditure cannot be booked to another specific budget line,~~
- ~~– updates in situations where a claim is cancelled in full or in part after it has been booked to the accounts as revenue (in particular in the event of offsetting against a debt),~~
- ~~– updates in cases where VAT has not been recovered and where it is no longer possible to book the amount to the line that covered the principal expenditure,~~
- ~~– for any interest relating to the above cases, where it cannot be booked to another specific budget line.~~

~~This item is also intended to accommodate, if necessary, an appropriation to cover any losses resulting from the liquidation or cessation of activities of a bank with which the Commission has accounts for the purposes of imprests.~~

~~It may finance costs incurred by delegations in the framework of local cooperation with Member States, notably in the context of a crisis.~~

~~The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(2) and (3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 9 360 000.~~

Legal basis:

Delete following text:

~~Council Decision 2010/427/EU of 26 July 2010 establishing the organisation and functioning of the European External Action Service (OJ L 201, 3.8.2010, p. 30), and in particular Article 5(10) thereof.~~

Justification:

The EEAS has proved to be useless and expensive; we ask therefore for a deletion of this budgetary line.

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Draft amendment 4504

=== BUDG/4504 ===

Tabled by Olivier Chastel, Valerie Hayer, Nicolae Ștefănuță, Committee on Budgets

SECTION X — European External Action Service

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Amend remarks as follows:

Amend text as follows:

Function group and grade				
	2021		2020	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	21		12	
AD 15	38		20	
AD 14	138		162	
AD 13	143		151	
AD 12	208		213	
AD 11	101 86		86	
AD 10	98		88	
AD 9	150		147	
AD 8	104		103	
AD 7	44 30		18	
AD 6	16		28	
AD 5	4		3	
<i>AD Subtotal</i>	1 065 1 036		1 031	
AST 11	31		24	
AST 10	27		24	
AST 9	70	1	65	1
AST 8	86 82		86	
AST 7	85 84		87	
AST 6	105 103		98	
AST 5	146		137	
AST 4	57		70	
AST 3	1			
AST 2	8			
AST 1	4		4	
<i>AST Subtotal</i>	620 613	1	595	1
AST/SC 6				
AST/SC 5				
AST/SC 4	1			
AST/SC 3	16		25	
AST/SC 2	23		35	
AST/SC 1	9		12	
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>	49		72	
Total	1 734 1 698	1	1 698	1
Grand total	1 735 1 699		1 699	

Justification:

Restore Establishment Plan (DB).

The EEAS establishment plan in the draft budget would increase by 36 full-time equivalents. The largest part of these (19) are set to replace national experts in line with the commitments taken by the HRVP towards Parliament during the 2017 budget exercise. The remainder reinforce mainly the departments

responsible for physical and IT security and the CSDP, and the Council's cuts would leave the EEAS understaffed in these essential areas.

Draft amendment 834

=== S&D//7287 ===

Tabled by Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

SECTION X — European External Action Service

S 1 — Section X — European External Action Service

Amend remarks as follows:

Amend text as follows:

Function group and grade				
	2021		2020	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	21		12	
AD 15	38		20	
AD 14	138		162	
AD 13	143		151	
AD 12	208		213	
AD 11	101 86		86	
AD 10	98		88	
AD 9	150		147	
AD 8	104		103	
AD 7	44 30		18	
AD 6	16		28	
AD 5	4		3	
AD Subtotal	1 065 1 036		1 031	
AST 11	31		24	
AST 10	27		24	
AST 9	70	1	65	1
AST 8	82		86	
AST 7	85 84		87	
AST 6	105 103		98	
AST 5	146		137	
AST 4	57		70	
AST 3	1			
AST 2	8			
AST 1	4		4	
AST Subtotal	616 613	1	595	1
AST/SC 6				
AST/SC 5				
AST/SC 4	1			
AST/SC 3	16		25	
AST/SC 2	23		35	
AST/SC 1	9		12	
AST/SC Subtotal	49		72	
Total	1 730 1 698	1	1 698	1
Grand total	1 731 1 699		1 699	

Justification:

Since the European Council conclusion text does not mention any political agreement on any additional effort to be made on staff after completion of the actual period commitment by all institutions, the needs estimated by the institution are reinstated