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## **REPORT**

on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council  
on the mobilisation of the Flexibility Instrument  
(COM(2013)0647 – C7-0302/2013 – 2013/2223(BUD))

Committee on Budgets

Rapporteur: Jean-Luc Dehaene

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## MOTION FOR A EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT RESOLUTION

### on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the Flexibility Instrument (COM(2013)0647 – C7-0302/2013 – 2013/2223(BUD))

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Commission Draft Budget for the financial year 2014 (COM(2013)0450), presented on 28 June 2013, as amended by amending letter No 1 presented by the Commission on 18 September 2013 (COM(2013)0644),
  - having regard to the Commission proposal to the European Parliament and the Council (COM(2013)0647 – C7-0302/2013),
  - having regard to the [Council Regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020], and in particular [Article 11] thereof,
  - having regard to the [Interinstitutional Agreement between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, cooperation in budgetary matters and sound financial management], and in particular [Point 12] thereof,
  - having regard to its position adopted on 23 October 2013 on the 2014 draft general budget,
  - having regard to the joint text approved by the Conciliation Committee on 12 November 2013 (PE-CONS 00000/2013 – C7 0000/2013),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (A7-0388/2013),
- A. whereas, after having examined all possibilities for re-allocating commitment appropriations under heading 1b, it appears necessary to mobilise the Flexibility Instrument for commitment appropriations,
- B. whereas the Commission has proposed to mobilise the Flexibility Instrument to complement the financing in the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2014, beyond the ceiling of heading 1b, of EUR 78 million towards the financing of the Cypriot Structural Funds programmes to grant an additional allocation from the Structural Funds to Cyprus for the year 2014 by a total amount of EUR 100 million,
1. Notes that, despite contained reinforcements in commitments on a limited number of budget items and several decreases on other budget items, the 2014 ceilings of subheading 1b in commitments do not allow for the adequate financing of important and urgent political priorities of the Union carried by the Parliament and the Council;
  2. Agrees with the mobilisation of the Flexibility Instrument in commitments for the financing - under subheading 1b - of the Cypriot Structural Funds programmes for a total amount of EUR 89,33 million;

3. Reiterates that the mobilisation of this instrument, as foreseen in [Article 11 of the Council Regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020]<sup>1</sup>; highlights, once more, the crucial need for the Union budget to be increasingly flexible;
4. Approves the decision annexed to this resolution;
5. Instructs its President to sign the decision with the President of the Council and arrange for its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*;
6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution, including its annex, to the Council and the Commission.

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<sup>1</sup> 2011/0177(APP).

**ANNEX: DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL**

**of ...**

**on the mobilisation of the Flexibility Instrument**

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,  
Having regard to the [Council Regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020, and in particular the Article 11 thereof,]

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas, after having examined all possibilities for re-allocating appropriations under heading 1b, it appears necessary to mobilise the flexibility instrument to complement the financing in the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2014, beyond the ceiling of heading 1b, of EUR 89 330 000 towards the financing of the Cypriot Structural Funds programmes to grant an additional allocation from the Structural Funds to Cyprus for the year 2014 by a total amount of EUR 100 000 000.

HAVE ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

For the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2014, the flexibility instrument shall be used to provide the sum of EUR 89 330 000 in commitment appropriations in heading 1b.

That amount shall be used to complement the financing of the Cypriot Structural Funds programmes under heading 1b.

*Article 2*

This decision shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels,

*For the European Parliament*  
*The President*

*For the Council*  
*The President*

## RESULT OF FINAL VOTE IN COMMITTEE

<b>Date adopted</b>	14.11.2013
<b>Result of final vote</b>	+: 33 -: 2 0: 0
<b>Members present for the final vote</b>	Marta Andreasen, Jean-Luc Dehaene, José Manuel Fernandes, Eider Gardiazábal Rubial, Salvador Garriga Polledo, Ivars Godmanis, Ingeborg Gräßle, Lucas Hartong, Anne E. Jensen, Ivailo Kalfin, Sergej Kozlík, Jan Kozłowski, Alain Lamassoure, Jan Mulder, Vojtěch Mynář, Juan Andrés Naranjo Escobar, Nadezhda Neynsky, Dominique Riquet, Alda Sousa, Derek Vaughan, Angelika Werthmann, Jacek Włosowicz
<b>Substitute(s) present for the final vote</b>	François Alfonsi, Maria Da Graça Carvalho, Frédéric Daerden, Edit Herczog, Paul Rübig, Peter Šťastný
<b>Substitute(s) under Rule 187(2) present for the final vote</b>	Pablo Arias Echeverría, Jean-Paul Basset, Arkadiusz Tomasz Bratkowski, Zdravka Bušić, Jolanta Emilia Hibner, Helmut Scholz, Tadeusz Zwiefka