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Proposal for a Council decision amending and extending the Council Decision of 17 December 2001 establishing an exchange, assistance and training programme for the protection of the euro against counterfeiting (the 'Pericles' programme)

Proposal for a decision (COM(2005)0127 – C6-0114/2005 – 2005/0029(CNS))

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendments by Parliament

Amendment by Ioannis Varvitsiotis

Amendment 22
RECITAL 5a (new)

(5a) In each instance in which the place of issue of coins and banknotes is moved outside the European Union, the opinion of the European Parliament should be sought.

Or. el

Justification

The European Parliament should have an active role in such an important matter, monitoring the process of issuing coins and banknotes, taking account of the high proportion of

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counterfeits and their substantial impact on the daily lives of European citizens.

Amendment by Martine Roure

Amendment 23
ARTICLE 1, POINT 3

Article 6, first paragraph (Decision 2001/923/EC)

The financial reference amount for the implementation of the Community programme of action for the period referred to in Article 1(2) last sentence shall be EUR **6** million.

The financial reference amount for the implementation of the Community programme of action for the period referred to in Article 1(2) last sentence shall be EUR **8.8** million.

Or. fr

Justification

Firstly, increasing the extension of the programme from 6 to 8 years entails an increase in the budget of 2 million euro. Secondly, the expansion of the geographical area of action of the Pericles programme to include those countries which will accede to the customs Union in the near future and the countries bordering the EU, together with the exponential increase in forged notes and coins detected in circulation between 2002 and 2004, call for an increase of at least 10% of the budget for the programme (raising it to 8.8 million euro for a period of 8 years, i.e. € 1.1 million per year).

Amendment by Martine Roure

Amendment 24
ARTICLE 1, POINT 9

Article 13, paragraph 3, point (b) (Decision 2001/923/EC)

on completion of the ***initial and the additional periods*** of the programme and no later than 30 June 2006 ***and 2012*** respectively, detailed reports on the implementation and the results of the programme setting out in particular the added value of the Community's financial assistance

on completion of the ***first, initial period, at mid-term and on completion of the additional period*** of the programme and no later than 30 June 2006, ***2010 and 2014*** respectively, detailed reports on the implementation and the results of the programme setting out in particular the added value of the Community's financial assistance

Justification

An evaluation at mid-term and on completion of the programme will, on the one hand, improve scrutiny, transparency and effectiveness in the implementation and monitoring of the programme and, on the other, enable an assessment to be made at mid-term of needs, successes and failings.

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