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01 04. **ALCÍM** – Pénzügyi műveletek és eszközök

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nem diff. - 80 000 000

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19 08. **ALCÍM** – Európai szomszédságpolitika és az Oroszországgal fenntartott kapcsolatok

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Kifizetések

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I. EMELÉS

a) Megnevezés

19 08 01 02 – Európai szomszédsági és partnerségi (ENP) pénzügyi támogatás Palesztinának, a békefolyamathoz és az UNRWA számára

b) 2007.05.30-i adatok

	Kötelezettség vállalások	Kifizetések
1A. Költségvetési előirányzat (kezdeti költségvetés + költségvetés-módosítás)	172 000 000	110 000 000
1B. Költségvetési előirányzat (EFTA)	0	0
2. Átcsoportosítások	75 000 000	135 000 000
3. Éves végleges előirányzat (1A+1B+2)	247 000 000	245 000 000
4. A végleges előirányzat felhasználása	172 000 000	149 057 341
5. Fel nem használt/rendelkezésre álló összeg (3–4)	75 000 000	95 942 659
6. Igény az év végéig	155 000 000	175 942 659
7. Javasolt emelés	80 000 000	80 000 000
8. Emelés a költségvetési előirányzat százalékában (7/1A)	46,51%	72,73%

c) Az emelés részletes indoklása

During the first quarter of 2007 the programmed commitment appropriations for 2007 (€ 172 M) have been fully committed in favour of the Temporary International Mechanism (TIM), United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), and a small bilateral action in support of social services in East Jerusalem

A transfer request N0 DEC 12/2007 for €65 million was approved in May 2007, in addition to an internal transfer within the ENPI chapter (Cross-Border Cooperation - CBC for €10 million). This will allow the TIM to continue paying social allowances under Window III until July 2007 and will ensure the payments for fuel and electricity until end-June 2007 (TIM Window II). As a result, the current available resources, including the additional €75 million transfers referred to above, will cover the needs of the TIM for all three Windows until broadly the middle of the year.

Following the Quartet's agreement of 30 May to extend the TIM, the GAERC in June is expected to endorse a further extension of the TIM until end-September.

This current request for a reinforcement of € 80 million is complemented by an additional internal transfer within the ENPI chapter (Cross-Border Cooperation - CBC for €10 million) to allow the TIM to continue operating until end-October. This will make it possible to pay for fuel and electricity through Window II between June and October and for social allowances under Window III during the period July to October.

The € 90 million reinforcement (including the internal transfer) will allow:

- a contribution of €5 million to the World Bank-managed trust fund for Window I. Member States are also expected to contribute to this window;
- an amount of €33.5 million for Window II (fuel/electricity). Window II is exclusively funded by the Community budget;
- a contribution of €51.5 million to Window III, which comes in addition to a contribution from Germany for an amount of €20 million and the UK for an amount of €4,5 million, whereas the 50% burden-sharing would have required a €38 million contribution from Member States.

II. CSÖKKENTÉS

a) Megnevezés

01 04. – Pénzügyi műveletek és eszközök 01 04 01 13. jogcím – A nem tagállamoknak nyújtott kölcsönökre és kölcsöngaranciákra képzett tartalék

b) 2007.05.30-i adatok

	nem diff.
1A. Költségvetési előirányzat (kezdeti költségvetés + költségvetés-módosítás)	200 000 000
1B. Költségvetési előirányzat (EFTA)	0
2. Átcsoportosítások	-65 000 000
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3. Éves végleges előirányzat (1A+1B+2)	135 000 000
4. A végleges előirányzat felhasználása	0
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5. Fel nem használt/rendelkezésre álló összeg (3–4)	135 000 000
6. Igény az év végéig (*)	0
7. Javasolt csökkentés	80 000 000
8. Csökkentés a költségvetési előirányzat százalékában (7/1A) Tartalékalap vagy tartalék tételre nem vonatkozik	40,00%

c) Az átcsoportosítás részletes indoklása

A külső fellépésekre vonatkozó garanciaalap befizetési mechanizmusát módosító 89/2007/EK tanácsi rendelet 2007. január 30-i elfogadását követően az alapot 2007 folyamán nem töltik fel, így az erre a célra fenntartott előirányzatok nem kerülnek felhasználásra. Az előirányzatok azért kerültek ebbe a tételbe, mert a költségvetés összeállításakor az új mechanizmust még nem fogadták el.

Explanatory Memorandum

Reinforcement (DEC 20/2007) to the budget line 19 08 01 02 European Neighbourhood and Partnership - Financial assistance to Palestine, the peace process and UNRWA

1. Present situation

The population living in the Palestinian Territory is facing a continuous crisis of unprecedented proportions. The EU funding available for Palestine in the 2007 budget (€172 million) has been fully committed to Temporary International Mechanism (TIM) and United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) in the first quarter of 2007. The majority of these funds have already been disbursed and were fully spent by the end of May 2007. In addition to this, a transfer request N^o DEC 12/2007 for €65 million was approved, which along with an internal transfer within ENPI chapter (Cross-Border Cooperation - CBC for €10 million will allow the TIM to continue to function and ensure no interruption of direct payments of social allowances to low income cases (TIM Window III) until July 2007 and will ensure the payments for fuel and electricity until end-June 2007 (TIM Window II).

Therefore, the available resources, including the additional €75 million transfer mentioned above, will cover the needs of the TIM, for all three Windows, until broadly the middle of the year. This will cover the needs of the TIM up until the end of its current mandate which runs until the end of June following the meeting of GAERC on April 23, 2007 during which the Council endorsed the extension of the TIM for further three months.

Recent political developments highlight the continuing importance of the Temporary International Mechanism. In discussions with donors in May, the Finance Minister of the National Unity Government, Dr Salam Fayyad, has emphasised the importance of TIM. During his visit to Brussels when he met Commissioner Benita Ferrero-Waldner and European Parliament Representatives he has stated that it is crucial that the TIM continues until the end of the year. He is considering writing to donors requesting additional funds for the TIM. On this basis the GAERC in June will be requested to endorse a further extension of the TIM following the Quartet's agreement of 30 May to extend the TIM for another 3 months.

Therefore, in order to avoid an interruption to the supply of essential services (health, education, social, and sanitation) (TIM Window I), of payments for fuel and electricity (TIM Window II), and of direct payments of social allowances (TIM Window III) from July until the end of October 2007, there is an urgent need to quickly provide additional financial funding to TIM.

The proposed transfer of €80 million, along with an internal transfer of €10 million within the ENPI chapter (Cross-Border Cooperation), will allow the TIM to continue operations with a total amount of €90 million. This will allow the TIM to make social allowance payments through TIM Window III between August and October and allow payments for fuel and electricity through Window II between June and October. Window II (**€33.5 million**) is fully-funded by the Community budget. For Window I managed by the World Bank, a Community contribution of **€5 million** is planned and it is expected to be joined with contributions from Member States. As for Window III, the needs are €76 million until the end of October. Germany is intending to contribute € 20 million and the UK € 4.5 million. The Community contribution is therefore estimated at **€ 51.5 million** for Window III.

2. Possible additional needs until the end of 2007 (November and December) based on current situation

A. For the last two months of 2007 additional resources for the **TIM** are estimated at **€ 74.5 million** as follows:

TIM Window I (Emergency Service Support Programme managed by the World Bank - provision of medical and other essential supplies and running costs) - an additional **€ 5 million** EC contribution will be needed to cover the needs until the end of the year.

TIM Window II (continued provision of essential utilities - fuel and electricity) which is fully funded by the EC, and based upon the same rhythm of payments up to now, Commission envisages the need for an additional **€16.5 million** to cover November and December.

TIM Window III (payments of social allowances) has been jointly funded by the Community budget, by EU Member States and some other donors. Based upon the rhythm of payments to date, the needs for November and December could be as high as **€53 million**; **the actual Community contribution will depend upon the further contributions to Window III from the EU Member States.**

Also, it should be noted that the number of beneficiaries has expanded over the course of the operation. It should not be excluded that further requests and adjustments are made which increase the needs. However, these indicative calculations are based upon the current number of beneficiaries.

B. In addition to TIM, further activities in the areas of **job creation/private sector arrears** could be envisaged as requested by Finance Minister Fayyad to support the Palestinian people. An indicative allocation for these programmes is estimated at **€100 million**.

A further update of the situation and an in-depth assessment of the needs expressed by the Palestinian Authority will be done, especially with a view of broadening the possible scope of interventions in terms of programmes for the end of the year.

The **total additional needs** both for "TIM" and for the "Job Creation Programme/Private Sector arrears Programme" until the end of the year are estimated, under current conditions, at **€174.5 million**. The possibility to cover those estimated needs, however, will also depend on the availability of funds.

Summary table of estimated needs for Palestine in 2007 (commitments, € M)			
Window I	(1st contribution)	August	5
	(2nd contribution)	November	5
			10
Window II		Jan-June	35
		July-Oct	33,5
		Nov-Dec	16,5
			85
Window III		Jan-April	65
		May-July	75
	EC contribution	Aug-Oct	51,5
	MS contribution	Aug-Oct	24,5
		Nov-Dec	53
			269
Total TIM (Window I, II and III)		Jan-Dec	364
Job Creation/Private Sector			
Arrears/ Technical Assistance			100
UNRWA	Jan		66
Other	Jan		6
TOTAL		Jan-Dec	536

TIM - Sources of Funding - € M	
TIM contribution from the initial budget for Palestine*	100
Transfer within chapter 19.08 May 2007	10
Transfer from heading 01.04 May 2007	65
Contribution from Member States	24,5
Transfer within chapter 19.08 June 2007	10
This request for reinforcement	80
Additional needs until end 2007	<u>74,5</u>
Total TIM	364

* Initial 2007 budget for Palestine: €172 M