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CC 420, CC 421,
CC 432 Rev.,
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DECISION OF THE ENERGY CHARTER CONFERENCE

Subject: Discharge of the Secretary General from his management and administrative responsibility in respect of the 2010 budget and Report by the Chairman of the Budget Committee

[The Energy Charter Conference at its 22nd Meeting held on 29th November 2011] ***took note*** of the Financial Statement and the Auditor's Report of 2010, as circulated in document CC 420 (Annex I), and agreed, on the recommendation of the Budget Committee, to discharge the Secretary General from his management and administrative responsibility in respect to the 2010 Budget, in accordance with Article 32(4) of the Financial Rules.

On the invitation of the Conference Chairman, the Conference ***approved*** the draft Budget for 2012, including the draft Establishment Table and the two multi-annual commitment authorities as contained in CC 421 (Annex II) and RD 4 (Annex III). However the United Kingdom reiterated its concerns that a budget that drew on general reserves was not a sustainable budget.

Keywords: Discharge, Secretary General, management and administrative responsibility, 2010 budget

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Independent auditor's report to the members of Energy Charter Conference on the financial statements of Energy Charter Secretariat for the year ended 31 December 2010

In accordance with Article 32 of the Financial Rules applicable to Energy Charter Secretariat, we report to you on the performance of our mandate which has been entrusted to us. This report contains our opinion on the financial statements.

Unqualified opinion on the financial statements, including emphasis of matter paragraphs

We have audited the financial statements of Energy Charter Secretariat for the year ended 31 December 2010, which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2010, the statement of income and expenditure for the year then ended (except for the amount under the "Budget" columns on page 3, which have been approved by the members of the Conference) and a summary of the significant accounting polities and notes. These financial statements are identified by a balance sheet total of EUR 5,903,174 and a net of total income and total expenditure for the year (total of parts I and II) of EUR 7,930.

Responsibility of the management for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements

The management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the Financial Rules and their Implementing Instructions applicable to the Energy Charter Secretariat and in accordance with the Accounting Policies of the Secretariat which are described in Note 2 to the financial statements. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

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Responsibility of the independent auditor

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing, applied in a public sector perspective. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

In accordance with these standards, we have performed procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error.

In making those risk assessments, we have considered internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Secretariat's internal control. We have evaluated the appropriateness of accounting policies used, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Secretariat and the presentation of the financial statements, taken as a whole. Finally, we have obtained from the management and the Secretariat's officials the explanations and information necessary for executing our audit procedures. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 give a true and fair view of the Energy Charter Secretariat's financial position and its Income and Expenditure for the year then ended in accordance with the Financial Rules and their Implementing Instructions and with the Accounting Policies which are described in Note 2 to the financial statements of the Energy Charter Secretariat.

Emphasis of Matters

Without altering our opinion, we draw attention to Note 2 to the financial statements which describes the uncertainties related to the collection of the contributions due by the Russian Federation. The unpaid contributions amount to EUR 313,292 at 31 December 2010 and represent the contributions due for the last three years. According to the management, there is no indication that the Russian Federation does not intend to pay. Therefore, the management has decided not to record an impairment loss on these unpaid contributions in the financial statements.

In addition, we draw attention to the uncertainties related to the outcome of the lawsuit filed against the Secretariat by a former official. This uncertainty is also described in Note 2 to the financial statements.

Our opinion is not qualified in respect of these matters.

Brussels, 16 September 2011

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ENERGY CHARTER SECRETARIAT

СЕКРЕТАРИАТ ЭНЕРГЕТИЧЕСКОЙ ХАРТИИ

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

31 December 2010

ENERGY CHARTER SECRETARIAT

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2010

ASSETS	2010 EUR	2009 EUR	FUNDS AND LIABILITIES	2010 EUR	2009 EUR
Accounts Receivable			**Secretariat Funds**		
Contributions normal resources (Art 5 of F.R.)	415.652	200.960	General Reserve Fund	1.000.556	452.552
			Earmarked Funds		
			Working Capital Fund(s)	89.078	87.482
Advances paid	3.310	2.500	Reserve Fund for Belgian Social Security	1.127.969	1.669.639
Other receivables	1.195	29.745	*Total Funds*	*2.217.603*	*2.209.673*
Financial Assistance	1.624.364	806.230	**Creditors**		
Special Loans	0	1.208.000	Creditors	78.658	63.299
			Other Financial Creditors	24.389	25.610
	3.768.741	3.845.864	Provision for Termination benefits	3.451.220	3.805.015
Cash at Bank and in Hand					
			Salaries, Allowances and Taxes	13.259	1.285
			Advances received	7.276	4.336
Deferred Charges	62.074	74.828	**Accrued Charges**	110.769	76.642
Accrued Income	27.838	17.733			
TOTAL	**5.903.174**	**6.185.860**	**TOTAL**	**5.903.174**	**6.185.860**

The accompanying Notes form an integral part of the Financial Statements

Keywords: Discharge, Secretary General, management and administrative responsibility, 2010 budget

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2010

PART I

	2010		2009	
	Budget (EUR)	**Actual (EUR)**	**Budget (EUR)**	**Actual (EUR)**
INCOME				
Contributions Normal Resources	4.497.040	4.497.040	4.497.040	4.497.040
Total Income	**4.497.040**	**4.497.040**	**4.497.040**	**4.497.040**
EXPENDITURE				
Salaries and Allowances				
Gross		*4.510.895*		*4.954.904*
Internal Taxation		*-1.040.595*		*-1.238.503*
Transfer to BP II		*-161.780*		*-403.203*
Salaries and Allowances (net)	3.308.520	3.308.520	3.308.520	3.313.198
Official Travel	177.550	153.473	177.550	178.879
Professional and Special Services	349.400	316.623	349.400	371.312
Meetings and Translation	82.060	52.713	82.060	72.046
Representational Expenditure	21.330	16.755	21.330	23.057
Operating Expenditure	485.250	447.125	485.250	475.399
General Administration	27.150	32.489	27.150	26.793
Capital Expenditure	9.590	14.976	9.590	7.274
Information Technology	18.680	9.805	18.680	10.420
Information	14.590	1.806	14.590	6.947
Miscellaneous and Contingency	2.920	0	2.920	0
Total Expenditure	**4.497.040**	**4.354.285**	**4.497.040**	**4.485.324**
Transfer to GRF		**142.755**		**11.715**

The accompanying Notes form an integral part of the Financial Statements.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2010

PART II

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE RELATED TO THE GENERAL RESERVE FUND	2010 EUR	2009 EUR
Financial Result		
Interest Income generated by the Termination Benefit Fund	41.306	86.453
Interest Income	27.176	27.342
Financial Costs	-3.239	-5.003
Net Financial Result	**65.243**	**108.792**
Other Expenditure		
Consultants	0	-22.340
Part I (Salaries and Allowances) – Consolidated draw	-150.000	-316.750
Salaries and Allowances (use of interest of TBF, see Note 4)	-41.306	-86.453
Other Expenditure Budget Part II	**-191.306**	**-425.543**
SUBTOTAL (net transfer to General Reserve Fund)	**-126.063**	**-316.751**
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE RELATED TO VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS AND WORKING CAPITAL FUNDS		
Income		
VC Norway (2009) – Workshops in Almaty and Ashgabat	0	50.500
VC Norway (2010) – Workshop in Ulaanbaatar (Mongolia)	34.840	0
LA Conference	0	57.790
Royalties	150	920
Expenditure		
VC Norway (2009) – Workshops in Almaty and Ashgabat	0	-50.500
VC Netherlands(2000, 2003, 2007) – Conference Amman	0	-31.147
VC Norway (2010) – Workshop in Ulaanbaatar (Mongolia)	-31.558	0
LA Conference	-1.836	-45.783
SUBTOTAL (net transfer to Working Capital Fund)	**1.596**	**-18.220**
EXPENDITURE RELATED TO RESERVE FUND FOR SOCIAL SECURITY		
Expenditure		
Part I (Salaries and Allowances) – draw	**-10.358**	**0**
TOTAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE PART II (Transfers to Funds)	**-134.825**	**-334.971**

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2010

CONSOLIDATED TOTAL PARTS I AND II

CONSOLIDATED TOTAL PARTS I AND II	2010 EUR	2009 EUR
Budget Part I Contributions	4.497.040	4.497.040
Budget Part II Financial Income	68.482	113.795
Budget Part II Voluntary Contributions	34.840	50.500
Budget Part II LA Conference	0	57.790
Budget Part II Royalties	150	920
Total Income (Parts I and II)	**4.600.512**	**4.720.045**
Budget Part I	-4.354.285	-4.485.325
Budget Part II Financial Costs	-3.239	-5.003
Budget Part II Use of Interests	-41.306	-108.792
Budget Part II Consolidated draw from GRF	-150.000	-316.750
Budget Part II Consolidated draw from BSS	-10.358	0
Budget Part II Voluntary Contributions	-31.558	-81.647
Budget Part II LA Conference	-1.836	-45.783
Total Expenditure (Parts I and II)	**-4.592.582**	**-5.043.300**
TOTAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE	**7.930**	**-323.255**

The accompanying Notes form an integral part of the Financial Statements

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2010

NOTE 1 Constitution and Function

The Energy Charter Secretariat ("the Secretariat") is constituted under Article 35 of the Energy Charter Treaty of 17 December 1994 ("the Treaty") and acts under the authority of the Energy Charter Conference ("the Conference") in accordance with the provisions of the Treaty.

At 31 December 2010, 51 countries and the European Communities were Signatories of the Treaty and members of the Conference.

The Secretariat provides the Conference with all necessary assistance for the performance of its duties and carries out the functions assigned to it by the Treaty and the Conference.

The Treaty has entered into force on 16 April 1998 and had been applied provisionally until that date. The Energy Charter Conference enjoys in Belgium the domestic legal capacity necessary for the exercise of its functions and the fulfilment of the purposes of the Conference.

The Energy Charter Conference and the Kingdom of Belgium signed a Headquarters Agreement on 26 October 1995 defining the privileges and immunities necessary for the exercise of the official functions of the Conference in Belgium. The ratification of that Agreement by the Belgium Parliament was completed on 27 July 1999. The Agreement entered into force on 21 October 1999 following the publication in the Belgian Official Journal ('Moniteur Belge').

Article 34, paragraph 7, of the Energy Charter Treaty stipulates that the Conference shall thoroughly review the functions provided for in the Treaty at intervals of no more than five years. The last such review was held in 2009 and the next review will take place not later than 2014.

NOTE 2 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below:

- **Income:**

  Annual contributions due from Signatories/Contracting Parties are taken to income when they fall due. Voluntary contributions are recognised directly in the Working Capital Fund following their acceptance in accordance with the Financial Rules of the Secretariat.

  With respect to the collection of outstanding contributions, the Secretariat applies a relatively aggressive policy. In accordance with the Financial Rules, notifications of the level of national contributions of the current year are sent to delegations each year in January, one or two general reminders are sent to those countries with unpaid contributions in the course of the year and, in addition, countries with arrears are also contacted on an individual basis.

  As a result, the collection of contributions is very good, particularly in comparison with the situation in other international organisations.

  However, there is a certain concern with respect to the financial outstanding due from the Russian Federation. As per the end of 2010, an amount of Euro 313.292,

representing the contributions of the last three years, remained unpaid. The amount of Euro 313.292 is 7,0% of the total of the annual amount of national contributions. The Russian Federation's withdrawal of provisional application, effective per 19 October 2009, has increased this concern, although the Secretariat, during its many contacts with the Russian authorities on this issue, has not received any indication that the Russian Federation does not intend to pay. Therefore, the management has decided not to record an impairment loss on these unpaid contributions.

- **Expenditure:**

  Expenditure is accounted for once appropriation is committed in accordance with the Financial Rules of the Secretariat.

  Expenditure on Salaries and Allowances for 2010 includes a provision of Euro 48.500 to cover the eventuality that the Secretariat might be liable to pay pursuant to a case that has been brought to the administrative tribunal of the ILO by a former official. The Secretariat is of the opinion that it is not liable, nevertheless a provision is taken as a measure of prudence. Judgment is expected to be rendered during the first half of 2012.

- **Capital expenditure:**

  The cost of acquiring capital equipment is charged against income when occurred and is not, therefore, depreciated over the estimated useful lives of the related assets.

- **Foreign currency translation:**

  Foreign currency transactions are accounted for at the exchange rates prevailing at the date of the transactions; gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions are recognised in income and expenditure.

  Monetary balance sheet accounts denominated in foreign currency are re-measured at the relevant closing rates at the balance sheet date. Unrealised foreign exchange gains or losses arising from the re-measurement process are recognised in income and expenditure.

- **Internal Taxation:**

  As required by the Headquarters Agreement, the salaries and emoluments of the officials of the Secretariat are subject to an internal tax system in favour of the Budget of the Secretariat. All figures related to Salaries and Allowances in the Financial Statements are given after application of the internal tax system.

- **Employee termination benefits:**

  The organisation operates a 'Termination Benefit' fund, which entitles all eligible employees to a 'termination benefit' based on a multiple of their final twelve-month salary, upon leaving the organisation's employment. Contributions to the fund are made by the employer and the employees in accordance with the Staff Rules.

  The expected future cost of these benefit payments is accrued within the 'provision for termination benefits'. The liability is calculated on the assumption that all current eligible employees terminate employment at the balance sheet date. This equates to the accumulated contributions of the employer and employees at the balance sheet date less benefit payments during the year then ended.

  Up to, and including, 2006, the interest generated by the 'Termination Benefit' fund was transferred to the General Reserve Fund at year-end. Since 2007, this interest remains in the fund itself.

  In response to the critically deteriorating situation in the financial markets and to safeguard its relatively high financial reserves to the maximum extent possible, the Secretariat decided in October 2008 to offer one-year, interest bearing loans to members of staff. These loans, covered by the accumulated contributions to the Termination Benefit Fund for the individual staff member, give the opportunity to benefit from the state guarantee on private bank accounts; the Secretariat's institutional bank accounts are not covered by any such guarantee.

  In 2010 it has been decided to integrate these special loans into Balance item Financial Assistance, as the temporary character of these loans has expired and the conditions are now equivalent to regular outstanding loans.

- **Reserve funds:**

  A. The **'General Reserve Fund'** represents the balance of the accumulated surplus of income over expenditure that has not been allocated to specific Earmarked funds.

  B. The organisation maintains three 'Earmarked' funds as follows:

     1. **'Working Capital Fund(s)'** were established to account for unused appropriations from voluntary contributions to the Secretariat, transfers from the General Reserve Fund, and related expenditure.
     2. **'Reserve Fund for Belgian Social Security'** is kept in order to meet potential claims by the Belgian Social Security authorities. The issue of whether social security contributions are due in respect of any, and if so which, officials has been discussed between the Secretariat and the Belgian authorities since the creation of the Secretariat in 1995; no conclusion has been reached thus far. The amount of the Reserve Fund is equal to the maximum amount of contributions which may, taking into account the relevant jurisprudence, be claimed from the Secretariat by the Belgian authorities. There is an uncertainty as to whether a claim would be raised by the Belgian Social Security authorities and therefore, the balance of this Contingency Fund is presented as an 'Earmarked' fund rather than a liability, to better reflect its contingent nature.

        The Reserve Fund for Belgian Social Security the Secretariat has built up through annual provisions in the course of its existence, has become larger than necessary in relation to the amount that eventually may have to be paid. On this basis, the Secretariat has decided in 2008 to discontinue the

accumulation of provisions to this Fund and has started to use part of the appropriations that have thus become available under sub-item 'Social Security' to finance some expenditure for salaries and allowances.

With respect to the Financial Statements for 2010, it has been decided, in consultation with the Auditors, to maintain not more than what needs to be covered in the Reserve Fund itself. As a consequence, an amount of Euro 531.556 has been transferred by 2010 year end from the Reserve Fund for Belgian Social Security to the General Reserve Fund.

NOTE 3 Accounts receivable

Details of contributions receivable and amounts actually received are given below:

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	**2010 EUR**	**2009 EUR**
Contributions Receivable at the beginning of the year		
Total of contributions to be received for current year	4.497.040	4.497.040
Arrears receivable at the beginning of the year	200.960	561.485
Total Receivable at the beginning of the year	**4.698.000**	**5.058.525**
Contributions Received during the current year		
Contributions to be received for the current year	4.278.640	4.396.841
Arrears	3.708	460.724
Total Received	**4.282.348**	**4.857.565**
Balance Receivable at Year-end	**415.652**	**200.960**

Details of contributions outstanding per country at 31 December 2010 are presented below. All contributions prior to the financial year 2004 have been settled.

COUNTRY	**2004 EUR**	**2005 EUR**	**2006 EUR**	**2007 EUR**	**2008 EUR**	**2009 EUR**	**2010 EUR**	**TOTAL EUR**
Azerbaijan		420	420	394	394	394	1.161	**3.183**
Croatia							7.504	**7.504**
Mongolia							155	**155**
Russian Federation					94.677	94.677	123.938	**313.292**
FYR of Macedonia						394	541	**935**
Sweden							82.316	**82.316**
Turkmenistan					474	474	2.012	**2.960**
Uzbekistan	289	1.176	1.176	631	631	631	773	**5.307**
TOTAL	**289**	**1.596**	**1.596**	**1.025**	**96.176**	**96.570**	**218.400**	**415.652**

NOTE 4 Provision for termination benefits

The details for the Provision for termination benefits are set out below:

TERMINATION BENEFITS	2010 EUR	2009 EUR
Opening Balance	3.805.015	3.238.643
Employers' Contributions (charged to Expenditure)	541.636	588.988
Interest from the Termination Benefit Fund	41.306	86.453
Employee's Contributions	140.305	157.254
Payments	-1.077.042	-266.323
Balance at year end	**3.451.220**	**3.805.015**

NOTE 5 Financial Result

The Statement of financial results for 2009 and 2010 is presented below:

FINANCIAL RESULT	2010 EUR	2009 EUR
Financial Income		
Interest Income generated by the Termination Benefit Fund	41.306	86.453
Interest Income	26.357	26.139
Realised Exchange gains	819	1.203
Total Financial Income	**68.482**	**113.795**
Financial Costs		
Bank Charges	1.221	3.057
Realised Exchange losses	2.018	1.946
Total Financial Costs	**3.239**	**5.003**
NET FINANCIAL RESULT	**65.243**	**108.792**

NOTE 6 Statement of Movements of Funds for the year ending 31 December 2010

	2010 EUR	2009 EUR
GENERAL RESERVE FUND		
Opening Balance	452.552	757.587
Transfer at year-end – Part I	142.755	11.715
Transfer at year-end – Part II	-126.063	-316.750
Transfer from Reserve Fund for Social Security	531.312	0
Balance at year end	**1.000.556**	**452.552**

WORKING CAPITAL FUNDS		
Opening Balance		
WCF related to Transit Negotiations	56.271	56.271
WCF Royalties	920	
WCF LA Conference	12.007	
WCF Netherlands (2000 + 2003 + 2007)		31.147
WCF Finland (2000)	6.138	6.138
WCF Norway (2002)	7.483	7.483
WCF Sweden (2002)	4.663	4.663
Total Opening Balance	**87.482**	**105.702**

Movements of the Year (net amounts)		
WCF Norway (2009)	0	50.500
WCF Norway (2009)	0	-50.500
WCF Norway (2010)	34.840	0
WCF Norway (2010)	-31.558	0
WCF Netherlands (2000 + 2003 + 2007)	0	-31.147
WCF LA Conference	-1.836	12.007
WCF Royalties	150	920
Total net movements during the Year	**1.596**	**-18.220**

Closing Balance		
WCF related to Transit Negotiations	56.271	56.271
WCF Finland (2000)	6.138	6.138
WCF Norway (2002)	7.483	7.483
WCF Sweden (2002)	4.663	4.663
WCF Norway (2010)	3.282	0
WCF LA Conference	10.171	12.007
WCF Royalties	1.070	920
Total Closing Balance	**89.078**	**87.482**

RESERVE FUND FOR SOCIAL SECURITY		
Opening Balance	1.669.639	1.669.639
Movements for the year (charged to Expenditure)	-10.358	0
Transfer to General Reserve Fund	-531.312	0
Balance at year end	**1.127.969**	**1.669.639**

Annex II

Budget 2012

as adopted by the Energy Charter Conference
at its 22nd Meeting on 29 November 2011

All figures in Euros '000

BUDGET PART I		**2011**	**2012**
1	Salaries and Allowances	3.308,52	3.308,52
2	Official Travel	177,55	177,55
3	Professional and Special Services	349,40	349,40
4	Meetings	82,06	82,06
5	Representation	21,33	21,33
6	Operating Expenditure	485,25	485,25
7	General Administration	27,15	27,15
8	Capital Expenditure	9,59	9,59
9	IT Equipment and Software	18,68	18,68
10	Information	14,59	14,59
11	Miscellaneous and Contingency	2,92	2,92
TOTAL BUDGET PART I		**4.497,04**	**4.497,04**
BUDGET PART II			
	Draw on GRF (Salaries and Allowances)	0	220,00
	Interest Income (Consultants)	53,63	53,63
	Draw on BSSF (Salaries and Allowances)	316,75	0,00
	WCF – finalisation Transit Protocol	56,27	56,27
	Other Working Capital Funds	p.m.	p.m.
	Voluntary Contributions	p.m.	p.m.
TOTAL BUDGET PART II		**426,65**	**329,90**
GRAND TOTAL		**4.923,69**	**4.826,94**

Establishment Table 2012

as adopted by the Energy Charter Conference
at its 22nd Meeting on 29 November 2011

Total posts	**2011**	**2012**	
A-grade	15	15	
B-grade	12	11	
C-grade	1	0	
Total	28	26	

Private Office			
A7+	1	1	
A7	1	1	
A4	2	2	
B5	1	0	(*)
B4/5	1	1	
B4	1	1	
B3	1	1	
Directorate – Transit and Trade			
A6	1	1	
A4	3	3	
B4/5	1	1	
B3	1	1	
Directorate – Investment and Energy Efficiency			
A6	1	1	
A4	3	3	
A3	1	1	
B3	1	1	
Legal Affairs			
A5	1	1	
B4/5	1	1	
B3	0,5	0,5	
Administration & Finance			
A4	1	1	
B6	2	2	
B4/5	1	1	
B3	0,5	0,5	
C3/4	1	0	

(*) from 1-9-12 onwards

Annex III

Two multi-annual commitment authorities

- Prolongation of the multi-annual commitment authority of Euro 100.000 in respect of Budget item 3 ‘Professional and Special Services’, to cover contracts running into the following year;
- Prolongation of the multi-annual commitment authority of Euro 50.000 in respect of Budget item 6 ‘Operating Expenditure’, to obtain the most advantageous market conditions for certain long-term operating expenditures.