

European Parliament Decision on the discharge to be granted to the Commission in respect of the 1972 financial year (14 December 1976)

Caption: The Treaty of Luxembourg of 22 April 1970 confers on the European Parliament the power to give — jointly with the Council — discharge to the Commission in respect of the implementation of the budget of the European Communities. This decision shows Parliament's use of its prerogative. On 14 December 1976, the European Parliament grants discharge in respect of the 1972, 1973 and 1974 financial years.

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Decision of the European Parliament of 14 December 1976 on the giving of a discharge to the Commission in respect of the implementation of the European Communities' budget for the financial year 1972 and on the report of the Audit Board

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT,

— having regard to the revenue and expenditure accounts and statements of the assets and liabilities of the Communities for the accountancy procedures in respect of the 1972 budget and the accounts of the Euratom Supply Agency (Doc. 74/74),

— having regard to the report of the Audit Board on the accounts for the financial year 1972 and the answers of the institutions to the report (Doc. 74/74),

— having regard to the Council Decision of 1 June 1976 on the giving of a discharge to the Commission (Doc. 169/76),

— having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 460/76),

1. Notes with the Council that the expenditure of the Communities in the financial year 1972 was 3 074 372 686,98 units of account (u.a.);

2. Notes that the receipts were broken down as follows:

(a) own resources : 1 756 824 460,60 u.a.

(b) financial contributions : 1 236 613 157,39 u.a.

(c) miscellaneous revenue : 80 935 068,99 u.a.

Total : 3 074 372 686,98 u.a.

1972 discharge

3. Decides to give the Commission of the European Communities a final discharge in respect of the implementation of the 1972 budget ⁽¹⁾, supplementary and amending budget No 1 for 1972⁽²⁾ and supplementary budget No 2 for 1972 ⁽³⁾;

4. Refers to the resolution on the comments accompanying the Decisions giving discharge and asks the Commission to report on the measures taken following these comments in accordance with Article 92 of the Financial Regulation.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 202, 4. 9. 1972.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 240, 23. 10. 1972.

⁽³⁾ OJ No L 287, 26. 12. 1972, p. 32.