Item No. 2 on the Agenda : Final modifications to the Budget, and approval of the
Accounts for the 2006 financial year

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Summary See below
Action to be taken See below
Related document Accounts 2006

1. The Budget for the 2006 financial year, approved by the General Assembly at its 59th session on 1 December 2005, provided for actual expenditure of € 2,020,850.00 to be met by receipts of € 1,990,850.00 and an estimated surplus from 2005 of € 30,000.00. The Budget also provided for receipts and expenditure in the special accounts to balance at € 6,000.00.

2. During the 2006 financial year, receipts and expenditure have shown increases in comparison with the budget approved by the General Assembly at its 59th session, and accordingly the General Assembly at its 60th session (1 December 2006) has approved adjustments to the Chapters and Articles of the budget.

2. The Accounts for the 2006 financial year indicate that actual receipts (including the 2005 surplus amounting to € 74,110.49) totalled € 2,211,521.46 and actual expenditure € 2,158,921.94, yielding a surplus for the year as a whole of € 52,599.52 (as opposed to the € 30,000.00 estimated by the Secretariat). Receipts and expenditures in the special accounts, amounting to € 8,215.60, show a balance.

3. This surplus may be explained as follows (in euro):
4. The variations in expenditure for 2006, which shows overall increased expenditure of €138,071.94, as well as variations in receipts, which show an overall increase of €195,070.82 as against the original estimates, are illustrated analytically in the Accounts 2006. We will indicate here, to facilitate the reading of the Accounts, that the increase in the contributions of member States other than Italy is due to an extra-statutory contribution of the United Kingdom amounting to €72,475.00 and a donation of the People’s Republic of China of €15,105.80, and that the extraordinary receipt of €77,488.00 is a donation from a private donor earmarked for the project “Capital markets”.

5. As the Finance Committee will certainly recall, on the basis of the Accounts available for the previous financial year, the partial accounts available for that financial year as well as of other modifications due to circumstances arisen during the financial year, the Secretariat had proposed adjustments to the budget, which were approved by the General Assembly at its 60th session.

6. In the light of the foregoing, the Finance Committee is invited at its 62nd session to recommend to the General Assembly that it approve the Accounts for the 2006 financial year.