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M. Patrick COX
President of the European Parliament
Rue Wiertz
1047 Brussels


Brussels, 30/04/03
EBC/JML/FN/07/2003

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Dear President,

In conformity with article 2.7.1. of the rules on the use of appropriation from budget item 3701, I am pleased to forward to you our audited report on the utilisation of appropriations for the financial year 2002.

Yours Sincerely,



Enrique BARÓN CRESPO
President of the Group of the PES



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Parliamentary Group of the European Socialists

Auditor's report to the bureau of the Group concerning art. 3701
of the E.P. budget : the balance sheet at December 31st, 2002 and the
summary of revenues and expenditures of the financial year 2002.

AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE BUREAU OF THE "PARLIAMENTARY GROUP, OF THE PARTY OF EUROPEAN SOCIALISTS", CONCERNING ART. 3701 OF THE E.P. BUDGET:

THE BALANCE SHEET AT DECEMBER 31st 2002 AND THE SUMMARY OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2002.

Ladies and gentlemen,

As you have requested, we have audited your report on the use of the credits of the budget 3701.

The balance sheet at December 31st 2002 and the summary of revenues and expenditures statement for the financial year 2002 are enclosed with our report.

We have audited the state of the enclosed accounts of the "Parliamentary Group of the Party of European Socialists" for the financial year from January 1st to December 31st 2002.

We have performed our audits in accordance with the general auditing standards drawn up by the "Belgian Institute of Auditors" (Instituut der Bedrijfsrevisoren - Institut des Reviseurs d' Entreprises) and in accordance with IAS-standards, so far these IAS-standards are applicable and not in contradiction with specific dispositions of the "Rules on the use of appropriations from budget item 3701". We have carried out all the verifications and auditing procedures which we deemed necessary in the circumstances.

During our audit, we have checked both in Brussels and on-the-spot, the conformity of the expenditures with the regulation of the Bureau of February 1st 2001 concerning rules laying down the procedures for utilizing the appropriations set aside for information activities in item 3701 of the budget of the European Parliament.

To this end, we have verified whether :

- a) the expenditure has been charged to the correct item in the budget of the group;
- b) the appropriations are available;
- c) the expenditure is in order and conforms with the relevant provisions, in particular the budget of the group and these rules;
- d) the principles of sound financial management have been applied;
- e) the payment order is supported by original documents (or certified true copies).

We have obtained all the information and explanations which, in our view, are essential to the proper performance of our assignment.

The undersigned, Swaelen & C° - Auditors, with office at 23, Eiermarkt in Antwerp, declares that, with regard to all the financial statements of 2002 audited, of which the balance-sheet totals of the group amount to 6.614.166,50 EURO, and of which the statement of revenue and expenditure closes with retained earnings of 4.573.736,48 EURO, (revenue : 18.149.304,58 EURO , expenditure : 13.575.568,10 EURO), and by virtue of Article 2.7.2. of the above mentioned regulations :

- a) in terms of the criteria we have examined we are not aware of any transactions concluded or procedures followed in violation of the regulations of the Bureau of February 1st 2001;
- b) the financial statements have been audited in accordance with the general auditing standards drawn up by the Belgian Institute of Auditors (Instituut der Bedrijfsrevisoren - Institut des Reviseurs d' Entreprises);
- c) the accounts of the financial year from January 1st 2002 to December 31st 2002 have been kept by the "Parliamentary Group of the Party of European Socialists" in accordance with the harmonized accounting plan provided for the political groups of the European Parliament of the credits under heading 3701 of the Parliament budget;
- d) the Group has complied the internal financial rules of the Group of December 6th 2000.
- e) the balance sheet at December 31st 2002 and the incomes and expenditures statement of 2002 give a true and fair view of the financial position and of the incomes and expenditures.

We completed our audit April 22nd, 2003.

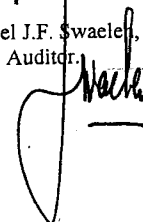
Annexes :

- balance sheet;
- the summary of revenues and expenditures;
- execution of art. 72 per account;
- detail of the property and equipment of the Parliamentary Group of the PES financial year 2002;
- financial support granted to the PES during the 2002 financial year from 3701 appropriations received from the EP;
- staff members allocated to support the PES at 31/12/2002.

Swaelen & C° - Bedrijfsrevisoren, burg. bvba,
Managing Director,

pour copie conforme

Marcel J.F. Swaelen,
Auditor.



ANNEXES

FINACIAL YEAR 2002

BALANCE SHEET

PARLIAMENTARY GROUP OF EUROPEAN SOCIALISTS

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

I) PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

1. Software	2.404,11
2. Hardware	26.119,90
3. Telecom & audiovisual equipm.	16.556,87
4. Office furniture	504,45

TOTAL I 45.585,33

II) FINANCIAL SECURITIES

1. Cash	16.873,39
2. Central Group accounts	5.924.541,91
3. Decentralised group accounts (national delegations)	143.773,61
TOTAL II	<u>6.085.188,91</u>

III FINANCIAL CLAIMS

1. Debtors (staff)	
a) Specific adv. on missions	2.112,80
b) Fixed adv miss.	99.776,37
c) Adv training	10.764,38
d) Others	10.061,46

Subtotal 1 122.715,01

2. Debtors (members)	
a) members	207,20
Subtotal 2	<u>207,20</u>

3. Debtors (nat. delegations)	
a) Non justified payments at 10/2/03	160.407,72
b) Other advances :	

Subtotal 3 160.407,72

4. Other Debtors	
a) garanties paid :	26.574,70
b) Other Polit. Groups	
c) European Parliament	
d) Banks	2.509,94
f) Suppliers	6.694,26
g) Ex staff members	848,60
h) PES	527,70
i) ex members	421,13
j) Miscellaneous	1.805,97
k) Staff members nat. del.	3.103,84
Subtotal 4	<u>42.486,14</u>

TOTAL III 325.816,07

LIABILITIES

I) FINANCIAL DEBTS

1. Central group accounts	
2. Decentralised group accounts National delegations	34.848,85
TOTAL I	<u>34.848,85</u>

II OTHER DEBTS

1. Debts (staff)	
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Subtotal 1 0,00

2. Debts (members)	
Subtotal 2	<u>0,00</u>

3. Debts (delegations)	
a) Debts (delegations)	
Subtotal 3	<u>0,00</u>

4. Other Debts	
a) Suppliers:	295,22
b) European Parliament	103.241,00
c) Member states	7.581,17

Subtotal 4 111.117,39

TOTAL II 111.117,39

IV PREPAYMENTS AND ACCRUED INCOME

1.Charges yet paid	24.237,23
2.Advances to suppliers for future activities	133.338,96
3.Accrued income	
TOTAL IV	<u><u>157.576,19</u></u>

TOTAL DEBIT 6.614.166,50

Deficit of the financial year _____

GRAND TOTAL 6.614.166,50

IV ACCRUALS AND DEFERRED INCOME

1.Charges paid, not yet debited at 31/12	1.894.463,78
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TOTAL IV 1.894.463,78

TOTAL CREDIT 2.040.430,02

Remainder of the financial year 4.573.736,48

GRAND TOTAL 6.614.166,50

Analysis of the balance sheet at: 31/12/2002

Remainder at: the end of the 2001 fin. year: 7.592.863,35

Result of the financial year: 2002 -3.019.126,87

Remainder at: the end of the 2002 fin. year: 4.573.736,48

Detail of the carry forward to: 2003

Central group budget: 3.608.062,67

National delegations: 965.673,81

Total: 4.573.736,48

Detail of the result of the financial year: 2002

Central group budget: -1.480.872,72

National delegations: -1.538.254,15

Total: -3.019.126,87

FINANCIAL YEAR 2002

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

CHAPTER

COMMENTS

ART

CHAPTER	TITLE	FORECAST	EXECUTION	%
ART				
	<u>A) REVENUE</u>			
1	Allocation and other revenue from the EP	10.045.052,00	9.964.479,00	99,20%
2	Own resources	7.799.040,45	8.184.825,58	104,95%
	TOTAL REVENUE	17.844.092,45	18.149.304,58	101,71%
	GRAND TOTAL	17.844.092,45	18.149.304,58	101,71%
	<u>B) EXPENDITURE</u>			
1	Staff	2.832.000,00	2.736.328,16	96,62%
2	Material, current administrative and operational costs	317.000,00	309.554,23	97,65%
3	Documentation, studies and research	84.000,00	66.493,98	79,16%
4	Legal, accounting, financial and various operational costs	75.051,00	66.807,63	89,02%
5	Meeting and representation costs	1.450.800,00	1.210.318,14	83,42%
6	Publications and publicity	908.650,00	810.928,42	89,25%
7	Members	9.189.236,45	8.065.810,11	87,77%
8	Subventions and membership fees	312.200,00	309.327,43	99,08%
9	Operational reserve and general reserve for unforeseen expenditure	68.382,00	0,00	0,00%
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	15.237.319,45	13.575.568,10	89,09%
	Carry forward to next financial year	2.606.773,00	4.573.736,48	175,46%
	GRAND TOTAL	17.844.092,45	18.149.304,58	101,71%

CHAPTER		COMMENTS
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CHAPTER	TITLE	FORECAST	EXECUTION	%
ART				
1	<u>ALLOCATION AND OTHER REVENUE FROM THE E.P.</u>			
11	Allocation from the E.P.	10.045.052,00	9.964.479,00	99,20%
12	Other revenue from the EP	0,00	0,00	
	TOTAL	10.045.052,00	9.964.479,00	99,20%

CHAPTER		COMMENTS
	ART	
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CHAPTER	TITLE	FORECAST	EXECUTION	%
ART				
2	<u>OWN RESSOURCES</u>			
21	Interests	326.000,00	344.585,38	105,70%
22	Exchange gains	0,00	8.045,65	
23	Various	0,00	33.509,92	
24	Recovery of VAT	256.000,00	205.821,28	80,40%
25	Carry forward from the previous financial year:	7.217.040,45	7.592.863,35	105,21%
	TOTAL	7.799.040,45	8.184.825,58	104,95%
	TOTAL REVENUE	17.844.092,45	18.149.304,58	101,71%

CHAPTER	TITLE	FORECAST	EXECUTION	%
ART				
1	<u>STAFF</u>			
11	Missions of the secretariat	1.647.500,00	1.637.542,22	99,40%
12	Recruitment	143.500,00	108.064,37	75,31%
13	Stages	177.000,00	170.064,22	96,08%
14	Salaries and related charges, fees	707.000,00	665.045,79	94,07%
15	Professional training	150.000,00	148.611,56	99,07%
16	Staff representation	7.000,00	7.000,00	100,00%
	TOTAL	2.832.000,00	2.736.328,16	96,62%

CHAPTER	TITLE	FORECAST	EXECUTION	%
ART				
2	<u>MATERIAL AND CURRENT SECRETARIAT COSTS</u>			
21	Equipment, exploitation, engineering and maintenance costs concerning informatics	15.000,00	10.031,91	66,88%
22	Equipment, exploitation, engineering and maintenance costs concerning other office equipment.	156.000,00	154.892,16	99,29%
23	Stationery and office supplies	10.500,00	9.861,78	93,92%
24	Postage and telecommunications	102.000,00	101.645,51	99,65%
25	Printing and duplicating	33.500,00	33.122,87	98,87%
	TOTAL	317.000,00	309.554,23	97,65%

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CHAPTER	TITLE	FORECAST	EXECUTION	%
ART				
3	<u>DOCUMENTATION, STUDIES AND RESEARCH</u>			
31	Newspaper, reviews, press agencies library	59.000,00	58.335,62	98,87%
32	Studies and research	24.000,00	7.447,50	31,03%
33	Data banks	1.000,00	710,86	71,09%
	TOTAL	84.000,00	66.493,98	79,16%

CHAPTER

COMMENTS

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CHAPTER	TITLE	FORECAST	EXECUTION	%
ART				
4	<u>LEGAL , ACCOUNTING FINANCIAL AND VARIOUS OPERATIONAL COSTS</u>			
41	Legal costs	0,00	0,00	
42	Accounting costs	70.000,00	62.359,89	89,09%
43	Financial costs	5.000,00	4.427,44	88,55%
44	Various operational costs	51,00	20,30	39,80%
	TOTAL	75.051,00	66.807,63	89,02%

CHAPTER	TITLE	FORECAST	EXECUTION	%
ART				
5	<u>MEETING AND REPRESENTATION COSTS</u>			
51	Group meetings	51.100,00	51.008,51	99,82%
52	Other meetings and conferences	1.235.200,00	1.014.258,89	82,11%
53	Representation costs	108.500,00	97.232,00	89,61%
54	Invitation of personalities	56.000,00	47.818,74	85,39%
	TOTAL	1.450.800,00	1.210.318,14	83,42%

CHAPTER		COMMENTS
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CHAPTER	TITLE	FORECAST	EXECUTION	%
ART				
6	<u>PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLICITY</u>			
61	Posters, leaflets and brochures	243.000,00	193.968,36	79,82%
62	Publicity inserts and audio-visual publicity	15.000,00	14.885,72	99,24%
63	Publicity material, gadgets	392.500,00	349.802,59	89,12%
64	Internet sites	188.150,00	182.564,83	97,03%
65	Visits to the institutions, information stands	70.000,00	69.706,92	99,58%
	TOTAL	908.650,00	810.928,42	89,25%

CHAPTER	TITLE	FORECAST	EXECUTION	%
ART				
7	<u>MEMBERS</u>			
71	Members' mission costs	307.500,00	274.167,14	89,16%
72	Political and information activities of the members; administration costs, political and information activities of the national delegations.	8.881.736,45	7.791.642,97	87,73%
	TOTAL	9.189.236,45	8.065.810,11	87,77%

CHAPTER

COMMENTS

ART

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CHAPTER	TITLE	FORECAST	EXECUTION	%
ART				
8	<u>SUBVENTIONS AND MEMBERSHIP FEES</u>			
81	Subventions	30.000,00	27.174,63	90,58%
82	Membership fees	282.200,00	282.152,80	99,98%
	TOTAL	312.200,00	309.327,43	99,08%

CHAPTER	TITLE	FORECAST	EXECUTION	%
ART				
9	<u>OPERATIONAL RESERVE AND GENERAL RESERVE FOR UNFORSEEN EXPED.</u>			
91	Operational reserve	0,00	0,00	
92	General reserve for unforeseen expenditure	68.382,00	0,00	0,00%
	TOTAL	68.382,00	0,00	0,00%
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	15.237.319,45	13.575.568,10	89,09%
	Carry forward to next financial year	2.606.773,00	4.573.736,48	
	GRAND TOTAL	17.844.092,45	18.149.304,58	101,71%

Execution of art. 72 per account

Chapter/ article	Heading	Execution	%
1	Staff	3.506.693,91	45,01%
2	Equipment/ routine administrative expenditure and operating expenditure	185.712,83	2,38%
3	Documentation, studies and research	319.429,98	4,10%
4	Legal and accounting costs, financial charges and other operating expenditure	50.631,02	0,65%
52	Meetings and conferences	1.565.818,69	20,10%
54	Guests	34.096,72	0,44%
61	Posters, leaflets and booklets	801.182,94	10,28%
62	Advertising inserts and audiovisual	331.086,21	4,25%
63	Advertising material, novelty items, etc.	453.722,76	5,82%
64	Internet sites	225.905,24	2,90%
65	Visit to institutions, information stands	317.362,67	4,07%
	Total art. 72	7.791.642,97	100,00%

Detail of the property and equipment of the Parliamentary Group of the PES

Balance sheet 31/12/2002

Parliamentary Group of the PES

Financial Year 2002

Art.	Category	depreciation %	Acquisition value	depreciation	Net value
5	Informatics Software	25,0%	3205,48	801,37	2404,11
10	Informatics Hardware	25,0%	36839,65	10719,75	26119,9
30	Telecom/Audiovisual Equipment	25,0%	23524,05	6967,18	16556,87
45	Various technical/office Equipment	25,0%	0		0
50	Office furniture	10,0%	560,5	56,05	504,45
60	Automobiles	25,0%			0
	TOTAL		64129,68	18544,35	45585,33

Financial support granted to the PES during the 2002 financial year

**Financial support granted to the PES during the 2002 financial year
from 3701 appropriations received from the EP**

<u>Budget article</u>	<u>Amount</u>
6-11 Staff missions	102.647,51
6-13 Stagiaires	35,62
6-15 Staff training	450,00
6-22 Purchase of material	273,91
6-24 Postage and telecommunications	16.870,55
6-31 Newspapers, reviews	3.395,57
6-33 Data banks	282,82
6-82 Membership fee	217.000,00
TOTAL	340.955,98

The total amount of support granted to the PES represent **3,47%** of the allocation the Group has received from the EP for the budget year 2002.

Staff members allocated to support the PES at 31/12/2002

Antony Beumer
Nicolas Crook
Javier Moreno Sanchez
Tony Robinson
Friedrich Roll

Ludivine Weech
Marina Pöhlmann

Maria Pia Di Mascio
Theodora Frangopoulou
Christiane Jacobs Saadouni
Julie Somerville
Pamela Stewart

This is a total of 12 staff members or **7,94 %** of the organigramme of the Group.
(Total number of posts on the PES Group organigramme: 151