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## **Setting up and numerical strength of the special committee on the policy challenges and budgetary resources for a sustainable European Union after 2013**

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**European Parliament decision of 16 June 2010 on setting up a special committee on the policy challenges and budgetary resources for a sustainable European Union after 2013, its powers, numerical composition and term of office**

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*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the decisions taken by the Conference of Presidents on 22 April and 12 and 20 May 2010 proposing the setting up of a special committee on the political challenges and the budgetary means available to the Union after 2013,
  - having regard to Art. 312(5) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, which stipulates that throughout the procedure leading to the adoption of the financial framework, Parliament, the Council and the Commission shall take any measure necessary to facilitate its adoption,
  - having regard to the need to gather and coordinate the opinions of the various committees concerned and to establish a mandate for the Committee on Budgets for its negotiations with the Council aiming to adopt a regulation containing the future multi-annual financial framework (MFF), and possibly, the definition of supporting measures to be defined in an interinstitutional agreement,
  - having regard to the work undertaken by Parliament's special committee on the financial, economic and social crisis and the need for a follow-up of the work of that committee, especially with regard to support for sustainable and qualitative growth and long-term investments, in order to tackle the long-term effects of the crisis,
  - having regard to Rule 184 of its Rules of Procedure,
1. Decides to set up a special committee with the following remit:
    - (a) to define Parliament's political priorities for the post-2013 MFF, both in legislative terms and budgetary terms;
    - (b) to estimate the financial resources necessary for the Union to attain its objectives and carry out its policies for the period starting 1 January 2014;
    - (c) to define the duration of the next MFF;
    - (d) to propose, in accordance with those priorities and objectives, a structure for the future MFF, indicating the main areas of Union activity;
    - (e) to submit guidelines for an indicative allocation of resources between and within the different headings of expenditure of the MFF in line with the priorities and proposed structure;
    - (f) to specify the link between a reform of the financing system of the EU budget and a review of expenditure to provide the Committee on Budgets with a sound basis for negotiations on the new MFF;
  2. Decides to establish the special committee for a term of 12 months from 1 July 2010 in order to submit a report to Parliament before the Commission presents its proposal with figures for the next MFF, planned for July 2011;
  3. Recalls that the specific budgetary and legislative proposals will be dealt with by the relevant committees in accordance with Annex VII of its Rules of Procedure;
  4. Decides that the special committee shall have 50 members.
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