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Proposal for a

DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund in accordance with point 28 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline and sound financial management (application EGF/2010/016 ES/Aragón Retail trade from Spain)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Point 28 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline and sound financial management[1] allows for the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF) through a flexibility mechanism, within the annual ceiling of EUR 500 million over and above the relevant headings of the financial framework.

The rules applicable to the contributions from the EGF are laid down in Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 on establishing the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund[2].

On 6 May 2010, Spain submitted application EGF/2010/016 ES/Aragón Retail for a financial contribution from the EGF, following redundancies in 593 enterprises operating in the NACE Revision 2 Division 47 ('Retail trade, except for motor vehicles and motorcycles')[3] in the NUTS II region of Aragón (ES24) in Spain.

After a thorough examination of this application, the Commission has concluded in accordance with Article 10 of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006 that the conditions for a financial contribution under this Regulation are met.

SUMMARY OF THE APPLICATION AND ANALYSIS

Key data:	
EGF Reference no.	EGF/2010/016
Member State	Spain
Article 2	(b)
Enterprises concerned	593
NUTS II region	Aragón (ES24)
NACE Revision 2 Division	47 ('Retail trade, except for motor vehicles and motorcycles')
Reference period	1.6.2009 – 28.2.2010
Starting date for the personalised services	1.5.2010
Application date	6.5.2010
Redundancies over the reference period	1 154
Redundant workers targeted for support	1 154
Expenditure for personalised services (EUR)	2 358 000
Expenditure for implementing EGF[4] (EUR)	42 000
Expenditure for implementing EGF (%)	1,75
Total budget (EUR)	2 400 000
EGF contribution (65 %) (EUR)	1 560 000

1. The application was presented to the Commission on 6 May 2010 and supplemented by additional information up to 1 July 2010.

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1 OJ C 139, 14.6.2006, p. 1.

2 OJ L 406, 30.12.2006, p. 1.

3 Regulation (EC) No 1893/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 establishing the statistical classification of economic activities NACE Revision 2 and amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 3037/90 as well as certain EC regulations on specific statistical domains, (OJ L 393 of 30.12.2006, p. 1).

4 In accordance with the third paragraph of Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006.

2. The application meets the conditions for deploying the EGF as set out in Article 2(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006, and was submitted within the deadline of 10 weeks referred to in Article 5 of that Regulation.

Link between the redundancies and major structural changes in world trade patterns due to globalisation or the global financial and economic crisis

3. In order to establish the link between the redundancies and the global financial and economic crisis, Spain argues that the financial crisis led to a liquidity shortage among financial institutions and concerns over their solvency. These concerns were subsequently transmitted to the 'real economy' (i.e. the non-financial sectors), as credit facilities were withdrawn and business and consumer confidence fell. Rising unemployment – which in Spain is close to 20 %, i.e. double the EU-27 or the Euro zone[5] – and reductions in working hours (no overtime, reduced working week, temporary stoppages etc), coupled with the scarcity of credit and concerns over possible further contractions in the labour market, explain the downturn in retail sales.

The decline in the volume of retail sales during the recession followed a similar pattern as other economic activities, falling for seven successive quarters from the peak recorded in the first quarter of 2008. In Spain the volume of retail sales fell more sharply than the EU27 average.

Volume of retail trade (% change compared with the same month of the previous year)[6]

2008												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
EU-27	0,9	0,7	-1,4	0,0	1,0	-1,2	0,5	-0,1	0,1	-0,6	-0,3	-0,2
ES	-1,2	-0,3	-0,6	-0,7	-1,1	-0,6	-0,1	-0,5	-0,1	-0,2	0,2	-1,3

2009												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
EU-27	-1,2	-3,7	-2,4	-1,2	-3,2	-1,5	-1,3	-1,6	-2,7	-0,9	-1,6	-0,2
ES	-5,4	-9,0	-8,1	-7,5	-6,6	-3,9	-4,6	-4,1	-3,4	-3,8	-6,7	-2,7

[5] Source: Eurostat.
[6] Source: Eurostat.

Demonstration of the number of redundancies and compliance with the criteria of Article 2(b)

4. Spain submitted this application under the intervention criteria of Article 2(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006, which requires at least 500 redundancies over a nine-month period in enterprises operating in the same NACE Revision 2 Division in one region or two contiguous regions at NUTS II level in a Member State.

5. The application cites 1 154 redundancies in 593 enterprises operating in the NACE Revision 2 Division 47 ('Retail trade, except for motor vehicles and motorcycles') in the NUTS II region of Aragón (ES24) during the nine-month reference period from 1 June 2009 to 28 February 2010. Of these redundancies 859 were calculated in accordance with the second indent of the second paragraph of Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006. A further 295 redundancies were calculated in accordance with the third indent of the same paragraph.

6. The Commission has received the confirmation required under the third indent of the second paragraph of Article 2 that 1 154 is the actual number of redundancies effected.

Explanation of the unforeseen nature of those redundancies

7. The Spanish authorities argue that the financial and economic crisis led to a sudden collapse of the world economy with an enormous impact on many sectors. Since 2008 the economic situation has not been following the trends of previous years. This is not a gradual economic decline, for which enterprises could have been prepared.

8. From 2000 to 2007, the number of businesses and employment in the retail sector in Spain grew every year. The growth trend throughout these years made difficult to foresee either the contraction of economic activity worldwide or the current unemployment levels and their impact on household demand. This sharp decline in demand was unexpected by both enterprises and governments and happened at an unprecedented rate and speed.

Identification of the dismissing enterprises and workers targeted for assistance

9. The application relates to 1 154 redundancies in the following 593 enterprises:

Enterprises and number of dismissals			
A B OFICINAS, S.L.	1	J.M. LEMUS MOLINA; M.L. DE ANTONIO BERGES S.I.	1
A JUEGO 2009, S.L.	1	JALLE GONZALEZ FERMIN	1
A. FERNANDEZ GOMEZ; Ma SANZ GARCIA Y P. PEGUERO	1	JARQUE GARCÉS, S.L.	1
A.V. PRODUCCIONES, S.L.	1	JAVIER ALAMAÑAC CASASUS; P. ALAMAÑAC LOPEZ Y …	1
AB SERVICIOS SELECTA ESPAÑA, S.L.	1	JAVIER LARREY PARDINA, S.L.	1
ABACUS, S.C.C.L.	1	JENNY SPAIN, S.A.	1
ADIEGO ARIZA DIONIS	1	JESUS SALAMERO, S.L	1
ADRICAR MODE ARAGÓN, S.L.	2	JIMENEZ CLAVERIA JOANA	1
AGRUPA, S.L.	1	JJK 629 OPTICS, S.L.	1
AGUEDAY 2006, S.L.	1	JOSÉ ABRIL E HIJOS, S.L.	1

Enterprises and number of dismissals			
AGUIRRE AGUIRRE ALBA L	1	JOSE HECTOR GARANTO BARA Y SONIA VERA GAJATE	1
AHORRAMAS, S.A.	1	JOSEFINA SERRANO ROPA, S.L.	1
AKI BRICOLAGE, S.L.	1	JOYERÍA DETALLES, S.L.	1
ALALAMP, S.L.	1	JUAN C. PIÑEIRO SALGUERO Y MONTS. BOIXADER PASOL	1
ALBORADA DE ARAGÓN S.L.	2	JULES SPAIN, S.A.	2
ALCAMPO, S.A.	1	JURGENS ANDREA	1
ALCON ARIÑO CARMEN	1	KIDDY´S CLASS ESPAÑA S.A.	1
ALCORAZ IBERICA, S.L.	1	KIRIN TEXTIL, S.L.	1
ALDI MONTORNES SUPERMERCADOS, S.L.	8	KROM MATERIAL Y MOBILIARIO DE OFICINA, S.L.	1
ALEJANDRA Y RAQUEL, S.L.	1	KUKA SHOPPING ZARAGOZA 2005	1
ALELLA 3020, S.L.	1	LA CANEL, S.A.	1
ALFONSO RODRIGO, S.L.	1	LA TAHONA SALLENTINA, S.L.	1
ALIMENTACIÓN 7, S.A.	1	LABRADOR JIMENEZ MARIA	1
ALIMENTACIÓN EL PORTAL, S.A.	1	LAMBEA LEAL, S.L.	2
ALIMENTACIÓN MILLAN PINILLA, S.L.	1	LANUZA CASTEL ARACEL	1
ALMACENES KAYMO, S.L.	1	LAPEIRA FORNES, S.L.	1
ALMACENES LOS HERMANOS DE AVILA, S.L.	1	LARDIES DUASO ROSA	1
ALMACENES TREBALLO, S.L.	3	LARRAZ GRUPO EMPRESARIAL, S.A.	1
ANASISTERS, S.L.	1	LAS CUATRO ESTACIONES, S.L.	1
ANCIAFRICA, S.L.	1	LASHERAS SANCHEZ, S.L.	1
ANDRES SIERRA MARIA	1	LATORRE NIETO JOSE	2
ANGEL LORENZO MARTINEZ, S.A.	1	LAVACOM DISPEL, S.L.	2
ANGELINE, C.B.	1	LAZARO INTERIORISMO, S.L.	1
ANT. MALLENCO MARTINEZ Y SARA UBIETO FERRER, C.B.	1	LEROY MERLIN ESPAÑA, S.L.	3
ANTº BARTOLOME MENENDEZ; YOLANDA VALIENTE ESCOLA	1	LESSEL HAOUAR	1
ANTONIO FARIZA, S.L.	1	LIBRERÍA CÁLAMO, S.L.	1
AQUILOPETROL, S.L.	1	LIBRERÍA Y PRENSA, S.L.	2
ARANDA MARTINEZ PEDRO	1	LIDL SUPERMERCADOS, S.A.	17
AREA DE SERVICIO SANTA FE, S.L.	1	LIWE ESPAÑOLA, S.L.	1
ARISTRUE TEXTIL, S.L.	1	LOAM AMUEBLAMIENTO Y DECORACIÓN, S.L.	1
ARMERÍA COTO PRIVADO, S.L.	1	LOEWE HERMANOS, S.A.C.	1
ARMILLAS BARQUERO JOSE	1	LOGISMA, S.A.	1
ARNAL BOUZAS MARIA	1	LOPEZ ARNAL JESUS	1
ARNAL CALVO RAMON	1	LÓPEZ ESTEBAN BELÉN	1
ARREGLOS FLORALES BONASTRE, S.L.	1	LOS GOLFISTAS, S.L.	1
ARSAC RODES CONCEP	1	LUNARIA, S. COOPERATIVA	1
ARSAC RODES M. PILA	2	LUYCO, S.L.	1
ARTESANOS DEL SABOR Y LOS DULCES FELIUS, S.L.	2	M2HP PROPIETARIOS, S.L.	1
ARTIEDA Y NAVARRO, S.L.	1	Mª ISABEL TORRES MARTINEZ Y PABLO DONOSO	1
ASIN BERCERO CARLOT	1	MAGAZINE HOUSE, S.L.	1
ASPASOFT COMUNICACIONES, S.L.	1	MARCO MARUGAN JOSE	1
AUTOMÁTICOS CARBAGA SL	2	MARTIN BELTRÁN, COM.B.	1

Enterprises and number of dismissals			
AUTOSERVICIO AMAZONAS, S.L.	2	MARTIN TENA ANA BE	1
AUTOSERVICIO MAGDALENA GIMENO, S.L.	1	MARTÍNEZ ASO FRANCI	1
B.D. ZARAGOZA, S.A.	1	MARTÍNEZ FERNÁNDEZ SERAFI	1
B.P. SALILLAS, S.L.	1	MARTINEZ FERRER MARIA	1
BAGUENA LOPEZ PILAR	1	MARTINEZ SANCHEZ JOSEFA	1
BAJO ARAGÓN MUEBLES, S.L.	1	MARVAL ACUÁTICO, S.L.	1
BALDAQUINO, S.L.	1	MASTER MONZÓN, S.L.	1
BARBARENA MOZAR MARIA	1	MATMA, S.A.	1
BARCELON EMBUTIDOS, S.L.	1	MECADONA, S.A.	1
BARDAVIO EQUIPAMIENTO, S.L.	1	MEDIA MARKT MATARÓ VIDEO-TV-HIFI-ELEKTRO	2
BARRABES SKY MONTAÑA, S.L.	1	MEDIA MARKT ZARAGOZA VIDEO-TV-HIFI-ELEKTRO CO	5
BAYO GREGORIO ÁNGEL	1	MELÉNDEZ POLO 2007, S.L.	1
BAYONESTA BRUSEL FERNAN	1	MELGAR CÁRNICAS, S.L.	1
BEGUÉ MARTÍNEZ, JOSÉ MARÍA	1	MELO DELICIAS SL	1
BELLMON, S.L.	1	MERCADONA, S.A.	12
BELLVIS GONZÁLEZ, S.L.	1	MERCAT DEL MOBLE S.L.	1
BELTRÁN MATEO, JULIÁN	1	MERKAL CALZADOS. S.L.	1
BERSHKA BSK ESPAÑA, S.A.	4	METALCO, S.A.	2
BIG MAT OCHOA, S.A.	2	MIGUEL ANGEL SISTAC BARRIO, S.L.	1
BIMBA Y LOLA, S.L.U.	1	MIGUEL CAMPOS, S.L.	2
BLASCO ARIÑO, S.L.	1	MILLA MED, S.A.	1
BLESA SOLUCIONES INFORMATICAS, S.L.	1	MODAS MARYSOL, S.L.	2
BOLSOS TELLO, S.L.	1	MOISES SUMINISTROS, S.L.	1
BONA AREVALO SARA	1	MONREAL GUERRERO, JOSÉ G.	1
BONACHELA MONTERDE, VANESA	1	MONTALESE ESPAÑA, S.L.	1
BORI Y AIGUABELLA, S.L.	1	MONZARTEUM, S.L.	1
BOUREQQIA	1	MONZÓN CAUDEVILLA, MARÍA	1
BRICO SERRABLO, S.L.	1	MOON LEATHER FACTORY, S.L.	1
BRICOKING, S.L.	1	MORLAS NADAL CRISTINA	1
BRUMOS SOLER ALEJAN	1	MOSLOCI, S.L.	3
BRUNO ABRIL	2	MSR, S.I.	1
BUISAN INGLAN ANA BE	1	MUEBLECONFORT, S.L.	1
CACAOS Y ESPECIAS DE ULTRAMAR, S.L.	1	MUEBLES CORREDERA, S.L.	1
CALAMOCHA ALIMENTACIÓN, S.L.	1	MUEBLES FERBEN II, S.I.	1
CALIDADES DE ARTESANÍA CMM, S.L.	1	MUEBLES GALMA HUESCA, S.L.	1
CALLES MARTINEZ LUIS	1	MUEBLES MAITE, S.I.	1
CALVES PRADILLA, MARÍA	1	MUEBLES MONTOVELAZ, S.L.	1
CALZADOS DIMON´S, S.A.	1	MUNDO DONNA, S.L.	1
CAMPSA ESTACIONES DE SERVICIO, S.A.	2	MUÑOZ ESTEBAN MARIA	1
CANTERO IZQUIERDO MARÍA	1	MUSGO DISTRIBUCIÓN S.L.	1
CAPABRO, S.A.	3	NCS. HUESCA, S.L.	1
CARBURANTES NAVAS, S.A.	1	NEW CONCEPT VIVACOM, S.L.	1
CARLA VENDING, S.L.	1	NEW YORKER SPAIN, S.L.	1
CARRANZA BARRACHINA, S.L.	1	NINA MORETTI, S.A.	1

Enterprises and number of dismissals			
CARREÑO VALENCIANO, CARLOS	1	NUTRICION CENTER 1985, S.L.U.	1
CASA DEL GANADERO RAFAEL SANZ E HIJOS, S.L.	1	OFFICE HOGAR, S.L.	1
CASA IDEAL DE ARAGÓN, S.I.	1	OIL LATORRE GARCÍA, S.L.	1
CASADO DE TISERA, MÓNICA	1	OLIVAN BISTUER, S.L.	1
CASALS MAQUINARIA VINÍCOLA, S.L.	1	OLMEDA CARRILLO EDUARDO	2
CASAO LANGA, S.L.	1	OLNATURDIET, S.L.	1
CASERAS GREGORIO, MARÍA YOLANDA	1	ONDIVIELA PROMODA, S.L.L.	2
CASH MERCAPREU, S.L.	1	OPOSICIÓN Y EMPLEO S.L.	3
CASTELLO TRADING Y MEDIOAMBIENTE, S.I.	1	ÓPTICA ASENJO, S.L.	1
CEBALLOS PERAL, MARTA	1	OPTICA BAJO ARAGON, S.I.	1
CEBRIAN BAILO MARIA	1	OPTICA BERGUA, S.L.	1
CEBRIAN GRACIA ANTONI	1	ÓPTICOS SUASOR	1
CECOSA HIPERMERCADOS, S.L.	3	OPTINASPER, S.L.	1
CECOZA ÓPTICA, S.L.	1	ORTIZ SERRANO, JOSÉ	1
CEDIPSA, CIA. ESPAÑOLA DISTRIBUIDORA DE PETROL	6	OSCAREAS, S.L.	2
CEJABAR, S.L.	1	OSLO ILUMINACIÓN, S.A.	3
CELULAR AUDIO CATALUNYA, S.L.	1	OVALO SIGLO XXI, S.L.	1
CENTER CONFORT ARAGON, S.L.	1	PABLO ABADÍAS MENDI; CESAR ABADIAS MENDI Y …	1
CENTRAL DE FRANQUICIAS EL RINCÓN, S.L.	1	PALLARÉS GRACIA, ISABEL	1
CENTROS COMERCIALES CARREFOUR, S.A.	4	PANADERÍA HERMANOS SIERRA SÁEZ, S.L.	1
CERRATO MORROS FRANCI	1	PANADERÍA PALOMAR, S.L.	1
CHAVALES, S.C.	1	PANADERÍA PASTELERÍA Y CAFETERÍA CRUZ, S.L.	1
CIEN CAPRICHOS, S.L.	1	PANIFICADORAS 365, S.L.	1
CIMODÍN, S.A.	1	PANIFICADORAS UNIDAS, S.L.	1
CÍRCULO FAMEX 25, S.L.	1	PANSANO, S.L.	1
CIVERA BARRACHINA Y SUCESORES	1	PARDON, S.L.	1
CLAIRE´S ACCESORIES SPAIN, S.L.	1	PAREDES GONZALES JOSE J	1
CLEMENTE QUILEZ AGUSTI	1	PAREDES GONZALEZ JOSE F	1
COBAIN VIGO, S.L.	1	PASEO 50, S.L.	3
COCINAS Y BAÑOS MARCO, S.L.	1	PASEO DE LA CONSTITUCIÓN 21, S.L.	1
COIBA QUATRO COCINAS, S.L.	2	PASTELERÍA CANFRANC, S.l.	1
COLÁS FUSTERO, JESÚS	1	PASTELERÍA SANZ, S.I.	1
COLAS IZQUIERDO ANA RO	1	PASTELEROS ARTESANOS IRIS, S.L.	1
COLCHONERÍA VELA, S.A.U.	1	PASTOR URZAY ROSA M	1
COLCHONES AZNAR, S.L.	1	PAYTY INDUSTRIA ALIMENTARIA SL	1
COMBUSTIBLES DEL PIRINEO, S.L.	1	PC CITY SPAIN, S.A.	1
COMERCIAL ANONIMA DAGO, S.L.	1	PC Y REDES SERVICIO TÉCNICO, S.L.	1
COMERCIAL BINEFAR, S.A.	1	PELLEGAR, S.L.	1
COMERCIAL CRISTIAN LAY, S.A.	1	PEÑALVETA, S.L.	1
COMERCIAL DE CONSTRUCCIÓN DUTU, S.A.	1	PEPE JEANS, S.L.	1
COMERCIAL RILLO BAJO ARAGÓN, S.L.	1	PÉREZ CARRASCOSO MARÍA	1
COMERCIAL RÍOS PASCUAL, S.L.	1	PEREZ EJARQUE PATRIC	1

Enterprises and number of dismissals			
COMERCIAL VAYSAN MONZÓN, S.L.	1	PÉREZ MARTÍN, MIGUEL	1
COMERCIAR CENTRO MEDICO, S.L.	1	PEREZ MARTINEZ OLGA M.	1
COMMCENTER, S.A.	2	PÉREZ PINILLA, DIONISIO	3
COMTE, S.I.	1	PEREZ VICEDO CONCEPCIÓN	1
CONCESIONARIA DE MAQUINARIA, S.L.	1	PERFUMERÍAS BLAU, S.L.	1
CONFECCIONES LA FÁBRICA, S.L.	1	PESCADOS OLMEDA, S. L.	2
CONFORAMA ESPAÑA, S.A.	1	PETROSIF 2006, S.L.	1
CONSULTORA ARAGONES DE TELECOMUNICACIONES, S.L.	1	PHONELAND MEFLUR, S.L.	2
CONSUM, S.COOP.	3	PILAR, BEGOÑA Y TERESA QUEROL	1
CORDOBA FRANCO MARIA	2	PLO VILLA ANA IS	1
CORONEL TAPIOCA, S.A.	1	PLUSFRES-TAMARITE DE LITERA, S.L.	1
CORTEFIEL, S.A.	5	POLLERÍA CELIA, S.L.	1
CREACIONES MARIAN, S.C.	1	POLLO Y ANTOJITOS, S.L.	1
CRISTOBAL NOGUES E HIJOS, S.L.	1	PORCELANOSA ARAGON, S.A.	1
DAMACU, S.I.	1	PORTADA, S.I.	1
DE LEVANTE, S.C.P.	1	PRAD,S.A.	1
DECASPE, S.C.	1	PRADOS HERRADA, FERNANDO	1
DECATHLON ESPAÑA, S.A.	2	PRENATAL, S.A.	1
DECIMAS, S.L.	1	PRETTY MOTHER, S.A.	1
DEPALJAN, S.L.	1	PRIMERA CLOTHING SPAIN, S.L.U.	1
DESARROLLO Y EXPANSIÓN DEL MUEBLE, S.A.	4	PRIMIPAN, S.A.	2
DEUTSCHE GAS, S.L.	1	PRODUCTORES PUNTO DE ORIGEN, S.L.	1
DIAZ ALAMOS, S.L.	1	PRODUCTOS ALIMENTICIOS BELROS, S.A.	1
DIAZ LOPEZ AMPARO	1	PUERTAS MIRANDA, S.L.	1
DIBUS ARAGÓN, S.L.	2	PULL AND BEAR ESPAÑA, S.A.	1
DIEST FATAS YOLANDA	1	PUNTO FA, S.L.	1
DIEZ PINILLA LUIS C.	1	RADESAN DIET, S.L.	2
DIFUSORA CIENTÍFICA Y CULTURAL, SOC. COOP.	1	RAMAJO PEREZ ELISAB	1
DIGITARIUM ARAGÓN SL.	1	RAMON PAMPLONA ITALIA-SUCESORES, S.L.	1
DISEBRO WILIAM SANITARIOS, S.L.	1	RANDOM CENTRO INFORMÁTICO, S.A.U.	1
DISEÑO EQUIPAMIENTO COCINA Y BAÑO, S.L.	1	RAUSAN S.A.	1
DISEÑOS PROYECTOS E INSTALACIONES BABIA, S.L.	3	REFORMAS LECINA, S.L.U.	1
DISTEL TELEFONÍA Y COMUNICACIONES S.L.	1	REFORMAS Y PROYECTOS BUIL LUNA,S.L.U.	1
DISTRIBUCIONES MOLASE, S.L.	1	REGO FERRETERÍA, S.L.	1
DISTRIBUIDORA INTERNACIONAL DE ALIMENTACIÓN	38	REHABITEC Y DISEÑO E.D., S.L.	1
DISTRIBUIDORES ALIMENTACIÓN GRANDES EMPRESAS	25	RESISTOLHATS, S.L.	1
DISTRISEMA, S.A.	1	REVILLA LÓPEZ, MARÍA CONCEPCIÓN	1
DOLZ SANCHÍS, JOSÉ E.	1	RIALDOMI, S.C.P.	1
DOMINGO PÉREZ AMADEO	1	RISC GROUP SPAIN, S.L.	1
DORLAZA, S.L.	1	RIVAS SORIA MARIA	1
DUASO ABADIAS EDUARD	1	ROJATEX, S.L.	1
ECHEVERRIA SEGURA MIREN	1	ROMERO ESPEJA GULLE	1

Enterprises and number of dismissals			
EL CORTE INGLÉS, S.A.	4	ROSA DE FUEGO, S.L.	1
EL HALLAL KHALIFI, FÁTIMA	1	ROSALINDA, S.I.	1
ELECTRODOMESTICOS PUYO, S.L.	1	ROSELL	1
ELECTRODOMÉSTICOS ROSA VILA S.L.	1	ROYO LATORRE MIGUEL	1
ENBAL, S.I.	1	RUBIMENS, S.L.	1
ERYON, S.L.	1	RUFAS SANCHEZ ANTONI	1
ESCUTIA MONFERRER, MARTA	1	RUIZ DE CLAVIJO BALLUGERA MARIA	1
ESTABLIMENTS MIRO, S.L.	2	RUIZ SANCHO, JOAQUÍN	1
ESTACIÓN DE SERVICIO CUARTE DE HUERVA II, S.L.	1	RUMI HERRERO SL	1
ESTACIÓN DE SERVICIO EL GRADO, S.L.	1	RUPRABLAS, S.L.	1
ESTACIÓN DE SERVICIO MIRALBUENO, S.L.	1	SABOREA, S.L.	1
ESTACIÓN DE SERVICIO MIRAVEGAS, S.A.	1	SAGASTA 20, S.L.	1
ESTACIÓN DE SERVICIO SAN JUAN BOSCO, S.A.	2	SALVATIERRA OPTICOS, S.L.	1
ESTEBAN HERMANOS, S.C.	1	SAN PABLO DIFUSION SSP	1
EURO DEPOT ESPAÑA, S.A.	1	SANCHEZ ANDRES FERRETERIAS Y SUMINISTROS, S.L.	1
EURO FONTANILLA TRATAMIENTOS DE AGUA S.L.	3	SANCHEZ DEL CASTILLO MARIA	1
EUROFRUIT, S.I.	1	SANCHEZ NAVARRO JOSE A	1
EUROGLOW, S.L.	1	SANCHO GARCÍA ANTONIO	1
EUSTASIO GARCÍA, S.L.	3	SANTANA GALLINAD MARIA	1
EYRON 2000, S.L.	1	SANZ POLO GERMAN	1
EZPELETA ANZANO FRANCI	1	SARI-SART, S.L.	1
FADENTE, S.A.	1	SASTRERÍA GARCÍA GRACIA, S.L.L.	1
FAMILIA FAIRE, S.L.	1	SAU LLANAS MARÍA	1
FANLO BARRAU GERARD	1	SCHELECKER, S.A.	15
FANTOBA HERMANOS, S.L.	1	SD BAKIO. S.L.	1
FARMACIA LA JOTA, C.B.	1	SEBATIÁN FANTOVA EVANI	1
FEALCO, S.L.	1	SECRET BLUE, S.L.	1
FÉLEZ CERRO, MARÍA	1	SEDIMAP, S.L.	1
FERLUTI, S.L.	1	SEDOVIN, S.L.	1
FERNANDEZ BELTRAN YOLANDA	1	SEGARRA RUA MARIA	1
FERNANDEZ QUEROL GLORIA	1	SELECC. PREPARAC. Y COMERC. FLORES Y PLANTAS	1
FERNANDO Y ANA, S.L.	1	SELECCIONES BLASMAR, S.L.L.	1
FERRER HERRANZ M. LUIS	1	SELENE ILUMINACIÓN S.L. UNIPERSONAL	1
FERRETERIA LA SORIANA, S.L.	1	SELVALIA CENTER, S.L.	1
FERRETERÍA PEDRO SERRANO BALLESTERO, S.L.	1	SENDERBAN, S.L.	1
FERRETERIA ROYO, S.L.	1	SERINAR SYSTEM SL	1
FERRETERÍA Y SUMINISTROS HMAS, S.L.	2	SERMERI AGUA HUERTA Y JARDÍN, S.L.	1
FINANCIERA PRONOVIAS, S.A.	1	SERRANO MIR JESUS	1
FIRE OF LIFE, S.L.	1	SERVICIOS FOTOGRÁFICOS Y VIDEO, S.L.	1
FLORES JUSTE, S.L.	1	SERVICIOS Y SISTEMAS ACUÁTICOS S.L.	1
FLORISTAS GARCIA, S.L.	2	SHULPIN ANDRIY	1
FONTAKA 2003, S.L.	1	SIERRA CALVO MARÍA	1

Enterprises and number of dismissals			
FONTE IBERICA SIGLO XXI ZARAGOZA, S.I.	1	SINDO, S.L.	1
FORJAS CASADO, S.L.	1	SISTEMAS ATEQ, S.A.	2
FORTEA CERVERA BIBIAN	1	SKY, S.I.	1
FRANCHISING CALZEDONIA ESPAÑA, S.A.	1	SNIP ZIP, S.L.	1
FRANCO URRIOS MARÍA	1	SOBRESUELDOS, S.L.	1
FRANJI ALIMENTACIÓN, S.L.	1	SOPEN GAS, S.L.	1
FRANQUIMOBEL, S.A.	4	SOYKA INFORMÁTICA, S.L.	1
FRUTAS MIMADAS, S.L.	1	SPI, SOC. COOP.	1
FRUTAS PINA SC	1	SPORT SYSTEM CHUSS, S.L.	1
FRUTAS SAN VICENTE, S.L.	1	STARPHONE COMUNICACIONES, S.L.	1
FRUTERÍAS DEL ALTO GÁLLEGO, S.L.	1	STOP, S.C.	1
FRUTOS SECOS EL RINCON S.L.	12	STRADIVARIUS ESPAÑA, S.A.	2
FUNCHO, S.A.	1	SUCESORES DE FLORENCIO MUÑOZ, S.L.	1
GALCOMHU, S.L.	1	SUMINISTROS EL SALZ, S.L.	1
GALERÍAS PRIMERO	295	SUN AICUI	1
GALERÍAS RUBIO, S.L.	1	SUN-PLANET, S.A.	1
GALP DISTRIBUCIÓN OIL ESPAÑA, S.A.U.	1	SUPER PRATS SAN AGUSTÍN,S.L.	1
GALVE Y GARRIDO, S.L.U.	1	SUPER-AZANMIAN, S.L.	1
GARCES VICENT ALFONS	1	SUPERMERCADO DAMLIE, S.L.	1
GARCIA HERNANDEZ ANA	2	SUPERMERCADO IBÁÑEZ OLIVEROS,	1
GARCIA PORRO LORENZ	5	SUPERMERCADO MIKA, S.L.	10
GARCÍA ROCHE LUIS	1	SUPERMERCADOS PICABO, S.L.	4
GARCÍA SILVERIO MARÍA	1	SUPERMERCADOS SABECO S.A.	4
GAS BARBASTRO SOC. COOP.	1	TANGHERINA, C.B.	1
GECOAG, S.L.	1	TAPIZADOS Y DECORACIONES HERVÉ, S.L.	1
GENERAL ÓPTICA, S.A.	1	TAQUION 6, S.L.	1
GERARDO PERAT PUY; FCO. PENA PRAT Y OTRA, S.L	1	TECHNO TENDENCIAS MAY DAY, S.L.	1
GEREGAR, S.L.	1	TECNIRIEGO R.JOVE, S.L.	1
GIL GARCÍA MIGUEL	1	TECNOVIOSA, S.L.	1
GIMÉNEZ GARCÍA JOSE E	1	TELESERVICIO BAJO ARAGON, S.L.	1
GOLOSETES, S.L.	1	TENCA, S.A.	4
GOMEZ CERDAN ANTONI	1	TERUEL DE COMUNICACIÓN, S.L.	1
GOMEZ POMED MERCED	1	TEXTIL CADENA S.A.	1
GRACIA BLASCO JESUS	1	TEXTIL HOMBRE TERUEL, S.L.	1
GRACIA IRANZO, S.L.	1	THE PHONE HOUSE SPAIN S.L.	3
GRAJOSA, S.L.	1	TIBOL FERRER MIGUEL	1
GRANDES ALMACENES FNAC ESPAÑA	1	TIENDAS DE CONVENIENCIA SA	1
GREX AURI, S.L.	1	TOMAR-MARTO, S.L.	1
GRUP ALIMENTARI GUISTAR, S.L.	1	TORIL ESPEJO MANUEL	1
GRUPCOM RETAIL, S.L	3	TORREGROSA TERNERO JUAN A	1
GRUPO ARACULTURA, S.L.	1	TREDAR, S.L.	1
GRUPO ESCADA ESPAÑA, S.A.	3	TUGUETE, S.L.	2
GRUPO MASSIMO DUTTI, S.A.	1	TUROLENSE DE COMUNICACIONES, S.L.	2
GRUPO REY GOLDEN, S.L.	1	TUSCAN, S.L.	1

Enterprises and number of dismissals			
GRUPO ROYTE, S.L.	1	TWINS ALIMENTACIÓN S.A.	3
GUERRERO MAGAÑA MARÍA	1	ULIAQUE ESTEBAN FRANCI	1
GUEVARA GIMÉNEZ BENIGN	1	UNDERCROWN, S.L.	1
GUILLERMO LLARAS TORRES Y JOSE F LLARAS BRUALL	2	UNIVERSAL DEL REGALO, S.L.	1
GURUNDUE, S.L.	1	VALIENTE ESCOLANO YOLANDA	1
HASTA DUQUE VICTOR	1	VAT VENDING, S.A.	3
HENRY SCHEIN ESPAÑA, S.A.	1	VENTA PETRUSO, S.L.	1
HERMANOS PEÑA, S.I.	1	VICTORIA Y ARANCHA, S.I.	1
HERMANOS VILLARROYA LANGA, S.I.	2	VICTORIANO MOLDES RUIBAL S.A.	1
HERNANDEZ BARRUTIA CARLOS	1	VIDAL BLASCO JOSE L.	1
HERNÁNDEZ CARNE, TERESA	1	VIDRIOS TEJERO, S.L.	1
HIPERCOR, S.A.	3	VIKYANA, S.L.	1
HIPERMUEBLE TERUEL, S.L.	1	VILLALBA MATERIALES DE LA CONSTRUCCIÓN, S.L.	1
HIPOPÓTAMO EUROPA, S.L.	1	VILLAMARIN CASA VERONI	1
HYPERLUZ, S.A.	2	VINOS ARTESANALES DE CALIDAD, S.L.	4
IBERTELE MOVILES, S.L.	1	VISENTTI, S.A.	2
IGLARTON, S.L.	1	VIUDA DE FELIPE SANZ, COM. B.	2
IKEA IBERICA, S.A.	2	VIVA AQUA SERVICE SPAIN, S.A.	2
ILERTOIL, S.L.	1	VIVACOM ARAGON, S.L.	3
IMAGINARIUM, S.A.	3	WORTEN ESPAÑA DISTRIBUCIÓN, S.L.	1
INDUSTRIAS CARNICAS ARROYOS, S.L.	1	WURTH ESPAÑA, S.A.	1
INFINI IBERICA, S.L.	1	XEY ARAGON, S.L.	1
INFOARA SISTEMAS Y COMUNICACIONES, S.L.	1	YUSTE GÓMEZ MARÍA	1
INFOR AMBIENTES, S.L.	2	YVES ROCHER ESPAÑA, S.A.	1
INGALATURRE REINADO, JOSÉ MARÍA	1	ZAERA BENAGES ROSA A	1
INSE S. XXI, S.L.	1	ZAMORA VILLACAMPA JOSE A	1
INSVET, S.A.	1	ZARA 100, S.I.	1
INTERIORES FRANCES, S.L.	1	ZARAGOZA RED SPACES, S.L.U.	2
INTERIORISMO Y DECORACIÓN SOBRE MESA, S.L.L.	1	ZIRCONITE DE NEGOCIOS, S.L.	1
INTERPRESA MAPUSA, S.L.	1	ZOO MONCAYO, S.L.	1
ISOFAGE LOGISTICA 2008, S.L.	5		
Total no. of enterprises: 593		**Total no. of dismissals: 1 154**	

10. All redundant workers will be offered the EGF support, while the participation rate is estimated at 40 %.

11. The break-down regarding the redundant workers is as follows :

Category	**Number**	**Percent**
Men	312	27
Women	842	73
EU citizens	1 085	94
Non EU citizens	69	6
15-24 years old	173	15
25-54 years old	900	78
55-64 years old	81	7

12. The break-down in terms of occupational categories is presented in two tables. One concerns most of workers and follows the ISCO-88 classification, while the other concerns the workers made redundant from the enterprise 'Galerias Primero' and follows the occupational classification in the company's collective agreement.

Category (according ISCO-88 classification)	**Number**	**Percent**
Technicians and associated professionals	30	3,49
Clerks	40	4,66
Shop and market sales workers	310	36,09
Craft and related trade workers	325	37,83
Plant and machine operators	30	3,49
Elementary occupations	124	14,44
Total	859	100,00

Category (according to the company's collective agreement)	**Number**	**Percent**
Group II (Waiters, cashiers, drivers, repair man, window dressers, shop sales persons, etc)	152	51,53
Group III (specialised shop sales person, 1st class window dresser, 1st class repair man, etc)	82	27,80
Group IV (1st class clerks, department manager, computer programmer, etc)	25	8,47
Group V (Technical staff)	35	11,86
Group VI (Managers)	1	0,34
Total	295	100,00

13. In accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006, Spain has confirmed that a policy of equality between women and men as well as non-discrimination has been applied, and will continue to apply, during the various stages of the implementation of and, in particular, in access to the EGF.

Description of the territory concerned and its authorities and stakeholders

14. The territory concerned by the redundancies is the autonomous community of Aragón. Most of the territory of the region has a lower population density than the EU average (112 inhabitants per km^2) while 60 % of the total population of the territory is concentrated in the town of Zaragoza and its surrounding area. Aragon's economy based traditionally in cereal crops and sheep farming has been transformed over the last two/three decades by the rise of the industrial sector, services and trade, and followed by tourism, in particular winter sports tourism. Most of Aragon's industrial activity is located in Zaragoza. The local industrial boom has been accompanied by a strong expansion of the service sector. Distribution and the new shopping and leisure centres based also in Zaragoza have become important sources of employment. Aragón accounts for the 3 % of the Spanish GDP.

15. The main stakeholders are the Departamento de Economía, Hacienda y Empleo del Gobierno de Aragón (Finance and Employment Regional Ministry) and the Instituto Aragonés de Empleo-INAEM (labour services of the Aragón autonomous

government); the trade unions Confederación Sindical de Comisiones Obreras CC.OO Aragón and Unión General de Trabajadores-UGT Aragón; and four employers' organizations: Confederación de Empresarios de Aragón-CREA, Confederación de la Pequeña y Mediana Empresa Aragonesa-CEPYME Aragón, Confederación de Empresarios del Comercio-CEC and Federación de Empresarios del Comercio de Aragón-CEMCA.

Expected impact of the redundancies as regards local, regional or national employment

16. The Spanish authorities argue that the redundancies in the retail sector will aggravate the unemployment situation, which has already deteriorated as a result of the financial and economic crisis. In the Autonomous region of Aragón, the unemployment rate increased from 6,2 % in Q3/2008 to 12 % in Q3/2009. In February 2010 unemployment in the services sector represented 56 % of the total unemployment in the region.

17. Due to the low population density in most of the territory concerned by this application (between 3 and 54 inhabitants per km^2) and the risk of depopulation, layoffs have a highly negative impact on this region and might jeopardize the efforts made to encourage the population to remain in the territory.

Co-ordinated package of personalised services to be funded and a breakdown of its estimated costs, including its complementarity with actions funded by the Structural Funds

18. All the following measures combine to form a co-ordinated package of personalised services aimed at re-integrating the workers into the labour market. They are organised in four areas:

Guidance, counselling and job search.

– Welcome session, occupational guidance and profiling: The first measure provided to all participants includes the profiling of the workers as well as information on available jobs, on skills and training requirements, on available training programmes and on incentives.

– Training in job search techniques, self-employment and social skills: The workers will participate in workshops focused on self-employment and the promotion of entrepreneurship or they will be trained in job-search skills. This measure will aim to improve the self-knowledge of the participant and to reinforce their self-esteem.

Training and re-training

– General training and re-training: This measure offers diverse paths of training. The workers will be given the opportunity to follow one or more of these training courses: (1) Information and communication technologies (ICT) basic or intermediate training; (2) Training in vocational skills: The participants in this measure will be trained in job-skills currently in demand; (3) Training for professional qualifications: The training course will be designed to cater for the identified needs of local enterprises, which will in turn undertake to employ some of the workers who participate in this action.

– Training in personal development: The participants will be trained in transversal skills, including decision-making process, conflict resolution, adaptability to change, etc. This measure aims to improve the self-esteem of its participants and their interpersonal communication skills or other transversal skills, in order to facilitate their reinsertion into the labour market.

Reintegration into employment

– Intensive job-search assistance: This will involve an intensive employment searching (including active research of the local and regional employment opportunities, exploring new openings for employment such as organic trade, etc) and the matching of available jobs with the job seekers.

– Tutoring after reintegration into work: This will prevent possible problems arising in the new jobs: the workers reintegrated into employment will be guided during the first three months in their new jobs.

Incentives

– Participation incentive: To encourage their participation in the measures, the workers will receive a lump sum of EUR 200 conditional upon their participation in the measures of the EGF package.

– Assistance for carers of dependent persons: Workers with dependent persons (children, elderly or disabled persons) will receive a lump sum of EUR 200 as a contribution to the expenses for carers of dependent persons conditional upon their participation in the measures. This aims to cover the additional costs faced by the workers with caring responsibilities in order to avail themselves of training or other measures.

– Outplacement incentives: A wage subsidy of EUR 300 per month for a maximum of three months will be paid to workers who return to employment. The subsidy is designed to encourage their quick reintegration into the labour market and to stimulate workers, particularly those who are older, to remain in the labour market.

19. The expenditure for implementing the EGF, which is included in the application in accordance with Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006, covers preparatory, management and control activities as well as information and publicity.

20. The personalised services presented by the Spanish authorities are active labour market measures within the eligible actions defined by Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006. The Spanish authorities estimate the total costs of these services at EUR 2 358 000 and the expenditure for implementing the EGF at EUR 42 000 (1,75 % of the total amount). The total contribution requested from the EGF is EUR 1 560 000 (65 % of the total costs).

Actions	Estimated number of workers targeted	Estimated cost per worker targeted (in EUR)	Total costs (EGF and national co-financing) (in EUR)
Personalised services (first paragraph of Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006)			
1. Guidance, counselling and job search 1.1 Welcome session, occupational guidance and profiling (*Acogida, elaboración de los itinerarios personalizados de inserción y asesoramiento laboral)*	400	900	360 000
1.2 Training in job search techniques, self-employment and social skills (*Formación en técnicas para la búsqueda de empleo, autoempleo y habilidades sociales)*	385	520	200 200
2. Training and re-training 2.1 General training and re-training (*Formación en TIC, capacitación profesional y formación con compromiso de inserción)*	375	1 280	480 000
2.2 Training in personal development (*Formación en competencias transversales)*	288	700	201 600
3. Reintegration into employment 3.1 Intensive job-search assistance (*Asistencia a la recolocación)*	400	1 800	720 000
3.2 Tutoring after reintegration into work *Seguimiento en el empleo*	200	400	80 000
4. Incentives 4.1 Participation incentive *Incentivo a la búsqueda activa de empleo*	400	200	80 000
4.2 Assistance for carers of dependent persons *Medidas de acompañamiento*	281	200	56 200
4.3 Outplacement incentives *Incentivo para la recolocación laboral*	200	900	180 000
Subtotal personalised services			2 358 000

Actions	Estimated number of workers targeted	Estimated cost per worker targeted (in EUR)	Total costs (EGF and national co-financing) (in EUR)
Expenditure for implementing EGF (third paragraph of Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006)			
Preparatory			10 800
Information and publicity			9 000
Control activities			22 200
Subtotal expenditure for implementing EGF			42 000
Total estimated costs			**2 400 000**
EGF contribution (65 % of total costs)			***1 560 000***

21. Spain confirms that the measures described above are complementary with actions funded by the Structural Funds. Spain will put in place the necessary control procedures to eliminate any risk of double funding and will also ensure a clear audit trail for EGF funded activities. Spain also confirms that no other EU funding is sought or used for these activities.

22. The three ESF operational programmes (2007-13) co-financing actions in Aragón are: ESF Pluri-regional Operational Programme Adaptability and Employment, ESF Operational Programme Anti-discrimination and ESF Operational Programme for Aragón. Although some of the EGF measures could be similar to ESF measures there is a difference: EGF measures have a uniqueness and special character (they address a sector and a particular population) and they are tailor-made and have an intensive format.

23. Continuous follow-up of ESF and EGF actions pursuing similar purposes and the workers concerned will avoid any overlap between ESF and EGF measures.

Date(s) on which the personalised services to the affected workers were started or are planned to start

24. Spain started the personalised services to the affected workers included in the co-ordinated package proposed for co-financing to the EGF on 1 May 2010. This date therefore represents the beginning of the period of eligibility for any assistance that might be awarded from the EGF.

Procedures for consulting the social partners

25. The social partners CREA, CEPYME Aragón, UGT and CCOO[7] were consulted twice: on 29 November 2009 and on 8 February 2010, in the framework of the

[7] Confederación de Empresarios de Aragón-CREA, Confederación de la Pequeña y Mediana Empresa Aragonesa-CEPYME Aragón, Unión General de Trabajadores-UGT Aragón.

Guidance Committee for Intermediation and Job Placement of the Economic and Social Agreement for the Development of Aragón 2008-2011. In the first meeting the social partners agreed to the submission of another application for EGF, encouraged by the high degree of satisfaction of the participants in the EGF measures provided to redundant workers of the automotive industry[8]. In the second meeting the draft application was discussed.

26. The Spanish authorities confirmed that the requirements laid down in national and Community legislation concerning collective redundancies have been complied with.

Information on actions that are mandatory by virtue of national law or pursuant to collective agreements

27. As regards the criteria contained in Article 6 of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006, the Spanish authorities in their application:

- confirmed that the financial contribution from the EGF does not replace measures which are the responsibility of companies by virtue of national law or collective agreements;
- demonstrated that the actions provide support for individual workers and are not to be used for restructuring companies or sectors;
- confirmed that the eligible actions referred to above do not receive assistance from other Community financial instruments.

Management and control systems

28. Spain has notified the Commission that the financial contribution will be managed and controlled by the same bodies that manage and control the ESF. The Instituto Aragonés de Empleo (INAEM) will be the intermediate body for the managing authority.

Financing

29. On the basis of the application from Spain, the proposed contribution from the EGF to the coordinated package of personalised services is EUR 1 560 000, representing 65 % of the total cost. The Commission's proposed allocation from the Fund is based on the information made available by Spain.

30. Considering the maximum possible amount of a financial contribution from the EGF under Article 10(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006, as well as the scope for reallocating appropriations, the Commission proposes to mobilise the EGF for the total amount referred above, to be allocated under heading 1a of the financial framework.

31. The proposed amount of financial contribution will leave more than 25 % of the maximum annual amount earmarked for the EGF available for allocations during the

[8] EGF/2008/004 – SEC(2009) 322 and COM(2009) 150.

last four months of the year, as required by Article 12(6) of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006.

32. By presenting this proposal to mobilise the EGF, the Commission initiates the simplified trialogue procedure, as required by Point 28 of the Inter institutional Agreement of 17 May 2006, with a view to securing the agreement of the two arms of the budgetary authority on the need to use the EGF and the amount required. The Commission invites the first of the two arms of the budgetary authority that reaches agreement on the draft mobilisation proposal, at appropriate political level, to inform the other arm and the Commission of its intentions. In case of disagreement by either of the two arms of the budgetary authority, a formal trialogue meeting will be convened.

33. The Commission presents separately a transfer request in order to enter in the 2010 budget specific commitment and payment appropriations, as required in Point 28 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006.

Source of payment appropriations

34. In the current state of implementation, it is foreseeable that the payment appropriations available in 2010 under the budget line 01.0404 "Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme - Entrepreneurship and innovation programme" will not be fully used this year.

35. The line covers expenditure related to the implementation of the financial instrument of this programme, the main objective of which is to facilitate the access of SMEs to finance. Some time lag exists between transfers to the trust accounts managed by the European Investment Fund and disbursement to the beneficiaries. The financial crisis has a major effect on the forecasts in terms of disbursements for 2010. As a result, in order to avoid excessive balances on the trust accounts, the methodology for calculation of payment appropriations has been reviewed, taking into account the expected disbursements. The amount of EUR 1 560 000 can therefore be made available for transfer.

Proposal for a

DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund in accordance with point 28 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline and sound financial management (application EGF/2010/016 ES/Aragón Retail trade from Spain)

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to the Inter-institutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline and sound financial management[9], and in particular point 28 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 establishing the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund[10], and in particular Article 12(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission[11],

Whereas:

(1) The European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF) was established to provide additional support for workers made redundant as a result of major structural changes in world trade patterns due to globalisation and to assist them with their reintegration into the labour market.

(2) The scope of the EGF was broadened for applications submitted from 1 May 2009 to include support for workers made redundant as a direct result of the global financial and economic crisis.

(3) The Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 allows the mobilisation of the EGF within the annual ceiling of EUR 500 million.

(4) Spain submitted an application to mobilise the EGF, in respect of redundancies in 593 enterprises operating in the NACE Revision 2 Division 47 ('Retail trade, except for motor vehicles and motorcycles') in the NUTS II region of Aragón (ES24), on 6 May 2010 and supplemented it by additional information up to 1 July 2010. This application complies with the requirements for determining the financial contributions

9 OJ C 139, 14.6.2006, p. 1.
10 OJ L 406, 30.12.2006, p. 1.
11 OJ C […], […], p. […].

as laid down in Article 10 of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006. The Commission therefore proposes to mobilise an amount of EUR 1 560 000.

(5) The EGF should, therefore, be mobilised in order to provide a financial contribution for the application submitted by Spain.

HAVE DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

For the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2010, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF) shall be mobilised to provide the sum of EUR 1 560 000 in commitment and payment appropriations.

Article 2

This Decision shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels/Strasbourg,

For the European Parliament	*For the Council*
The President	*The President*