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Amendment 1

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. ***Takes note of*** the Court of Auditors' recommendation that Parliament reinforce its checks on the costs reimbursed by European political parties to their affiliated organisations and develop appropriate rules for European political parties on public procurement and monitor their application through appropriate checks and better guidance;

Amendment

8. ***Emphasizes*** the Court of Auditors' recommendation that Parliament reinforce its checks on the costs reimbursed by European political parties to their affiliated organisations and develop appropriate rules for European political parties on public procurement and monitor their application through appropriate checks and better guidance ***and insists that there will be full transparency on the expenditure by European political parties and that in future the competent committee will examine and discuss this information in detail in the context of the ordinary discharge procedure;***

Or. en

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Amendment 2

Dennis de Jong, Gerben-Jan Gerbrandy

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Notes with concern that, as price levels have risen, this has led to unjustified disadvantageous pricing, especially for assistants, interns and visitors; ***stresses that the increases mean that prices in Parliament are now practically equivalent to the ones in the surrounding restaurants and bars;***

Amendment

15. Notes with concern that, as price levels have risen, this has led to unjustified disadvantageous pricing, especially for assistants, interns and visitors;

Or. en

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Amendment 3

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Considers that the numerous constituency and plenary weeks represent periods during which the canteens and cafeteria facilities are not fully employed; suggests that the ***staff of these facilities be employed gainfully elsewhere; calls for a proposal by the administration that aligns procurement and subsidy procedures with the subsidy practices of other international organisations and national parliaments;***

Amendment

16. Considers that the numerous constituency and plenary weeks represent periods during which the canteens and cafeteria facilities are not fully employed; suggests that the ***agreements with the caterers take into account the option of employing the staff of these facilities elsewhere, when during the above-mentioned weeks not all canteens and cafeteria facilities are open;***

Or. en

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Amendment 4

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 21 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

21 a. Points out that the administrative burdens for the offices of Members have also increased more generally and requests a rationalisation of the forms that have to be used for internal parliamentary procedures, such as recruitment of new assistants;

Or. en

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Amendment 5

Dennis de Jong, Gerben-Jan Gerbrandy

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. **Regrets** that the budget line for the provision of drinking water in meeting rooms will expire in July 2016; regards the availability of **mineral** water during long meetings as appropriate, **both in summer and winter; criticises the excessive savings in service provision (such as paper, coffee, drinking water, canteens); calls for a rethinking of the saving targets for the committee weeks of the Parliament that doesn't harm its working environment;**

Amendment

28. **Notes** that the budget line for the provision of drinking water in meeting rooms will expire in July 2016; regards the availability of water during long meetings as appropriate;

Or. en

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Amendment 6

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 29

Motion for a resolution

29. Recalls that the GEA is intended to cover expenditure in the Member State of election, such as a Members' office rent, equipment, supplies, documentation or logistical organisation of events; takes note that a comprehensive system of control of the Member's parliamentary mandate allowance would represent 40 to 75 new administrative posts in the area of financial management;

Amendment

29. Recalls that the GEA is intended to cover expenditure in the Member State of election, such as a Members' office rent, equipment, supplies, documentation or logistical organisation of events; takes note that a comprehensive system of control of the Member's parliamentary mandate allowance would represent 40 to 75 new administrative posts in the area of financial management, ***but regrets that despite various requests the Secretary-General did not elaborate a proposal for a more selective control system, for example by concentrating on larger expenditure, or a system of random checks, and requests such a proposal to be elaborated without further delay;***

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Amendment 7

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

34. Welcomes the **revised** Transparency register **approved by** Parliament **on April 2014**;

Amendment

34. Welcomes the ***fact that the Commission has started a public consultation procedure in respect of the revision of the current*** Transparency register ***of the Commission and*** Parliament ***and its extension to the Council; requests that immediately after the public consultations an Inter-Institutional Working Group is set up for preparing proposals concerning the revision of the Register, the accompanying Code of Conduct for interest representatives, and the functioning thereto;***

Or. en

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Amendment 8

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 36

Motion for a resolution

36. Calls for a report by the administration on the *extent to which - besides economic panels - environmental and social associations, NGOs and interest groups organise events in* Parliament; wonders if there are guidelines that exclude the disproportionate presence of such organisations in Parliament;

Amendment

36. Calls for a report by the administration on the *various permanent forums between the business and financial sectors and the* Parliament; wonders if there are guidelines that exclude the disproportionate presence of such organisations in Parliament;

Or. en

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Amendment 9

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 42 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

42 a. Is concerned with the lack of actual results of the Parliament's communication activities, considering the ever decreasing turn-out during European elections, as well as the general lack of knowledge in society about the role of the Parliament and its activities;

Or. en

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Amendment 10

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 58 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

58 a. Regrets the fact that the Parliament has not yet published information on an annual basis about senior officials who left the Parliament's administration, as well as a list of the cases of potential conflict of interest that have been addressed, as required by Article 16, paragraph 4 of the EU staff regulations;

Or. en

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Amendment 11

Dennis de Jong, Rina Ronja Kari, Ruža Tomašić

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 65

Motion for a resolution

65. Notes that the average number of hours per week that staff interpreters spent in their booths in 2014 delivering interpretation services was 10,7 hours/week;

Amendment

65. Notes that ***according to the Secretary-General*** the average number of hours per week that staff interpreters spent in their booths in 2014 delivering interpretation services was 10,7 hours/week, ***but that this figure has been contested by the interpretation services themselves;***

Or. en

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Amendment 12

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 67

Motion for a resolution

67. Insists that ***large efficiency gains are still possible in the supply of interpretation, notably by enhancing the efficiency of a service currently hampered by rules dating from 2005 that are no longer compatible with the current meeting patterns of the institution;***

Amendment

67. Insists that ***in seeking additional efficiency gains, solutions are sought*** that are ***also taking into account the social rights*** of the ***interpreters;***

Or. en

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Amendment 13

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Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 68

Motion for a resolution

68. Calls upon the secretary general to modernise the framework for the management of interpretation, with a view to increasing individual productivity and to bringing the working practices of interpreters into line with the changed needs of the house;

Amendment

68. Calls upon the secretary general to modernise the framework for the management of interpretation, with a view to increasing individual productivity and to bringing the working practices of interpreters into line with the changed needs of the house, ***whilst fully respecting their social rights;***

Or. en