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PHARE assistance in the field of Justice and Home Affairs in Hungary

Description of financial assistance provided by the 1997, 1998, 1999 National Phare programmes to Hungary.

Phare 1997 national programme

The 1997 Phare national programme provided for assistance totalling 4 MEUR under the category of European integration – Institution Building. This was divided between two subcomponents:

<u>Training of Law Enforcement Officials</u> (2.45 MEUR) consisting of intensive professional training to the Hungarian Police Force and other law enforcement agencies (Border Guards, Migration and Refugee officers etc) in the fight against organized crime (drug trafficking, prostitution, trafficking of people, stolen vehicles, smuggling, money laundering, currency counterfeiting and forgery of documents etc) and criminal intelligence activities. Language and Computer Training will also be provided.

Strengthening of border management (1.55 MEUR) consisting of:

- a Feasibility Study for the computerisation of Hungarian Border posts to better tackle illegal activities at the borders;
- the supply of priority equipment for the detection of false and forged documents and for controlling lorries and vehicles at the border;
- support to facilitating the standardization of consular procedures for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in order to upgrade passport monitoring and data-sharing equipment
- support via twinning to develop and implement a strategy for Border Management; assisting the Hungarian authorities in developing an efficient "green border" control; developing cooperation in future internal borders; and co-ordinating implementation of EC financed actions in the field of Border Management

Phare 1998 national programme

The JHA Phare 1998 programme (15 MEUR) consisted of:

Strengthening Border Management (HU 98.05.01) (8 MEUR)

- Reinforcement of institutional and administrative capacity in the field of asylum, specifically
 targeting strengthened institutional and administrative capacity to implement refugee
 legislation consistent with the 1951 Geneva Convention and other legal instruments
- Comprehensive training programme in the field of the fight against organised crime for officers of the Hungarian Criminal Intelligence Academy
- Purchase of specialised equipment for the border management system, including communication, transport, control, screening and other technical devices.
- Provision of a unified border management data processing system via procurement of computer equipment (hardware and software) for the Police, the Border Guard, the State Prosecutor's Office and the Migration Office

Modernisation of Border Crossing Points (HU 98.05.02) (7 MEUR)

Co-financing infrastructural investment at two principal border stations (Röske and Letenye)
on Hungary's southern borders with Croatia and Yugoslavia which will form part of the EU's
external borders upon accession. Activities will encompass construction of new border
facilities such as: central buildings, laboratories, warehouses, holding areas plus the
necessary water and sewage, power, lighting and communication facilities.

Phare 1999 national programme

Further Strengthening of Border Management (HU 99.04.01) (13.6 MEUR)

This project constitutes the follow-up and conclusion of earlier Phare activities in the field of Border Management, focusing mainly on investment in:

- Equipment for the Hungarian Border Guard, with special emphasis on the control of the green borders, not covered by earlier programmes.
- The fight against organised crime, including infrastructure development related to regional drug laboratories, a national registry of firearms, an integrated anti-terrorist and mobile crisis management centre, the handling of illegal migration, the improvement of the police detention system, traffic monitoring equipment.
- Refugee and Migration affairs, through the development of related local institutions and Reception Centres, on-line communications, automated fingerprinting for the registration of refugees, including the initial processing of asylum applications at border posts, as well as the creation of mobile transport units and medical quarantine facilities.
- a Unified Visa Policy and regulations, with special regard to the setting up of a centralised unit for issuing and uniform handling of visa for third country nationals.

The reform of existing immigration procedures is to be supported by a twinning programme, accompanied by special training seminars with the participation of EU Member State experts.

PHARE assistance in HUNGARY

PHARE budgetary allocations by sectors in Euro

	1997	1998	1999	Total
Combating organised crime	2.450.000		3.500.000	5.950.000
Training of Law Enforcement Bodies (Twinning)	2.450.000			
(Professional Training)	1.600.000			
(Language Training)	850.000			
Equipment for fighting organised crime			950.000	
Equipment for fighting illegal immigration			410.000	
New police detention system			610.000	
New investigation system (Europol)			450.000	
Monitoring of Organised Crime Traffic			800.000	
Staff Training			80.000	
Ministry of Interior equipment		- 60	200.000	
Border Management	1.550.000	15.000.000	8.200.000	24.750.000
Identifying control equipment and design of computer system for	120.000			
border management		KA B'		
Control and detection equipment	400.000			
Institution building for border management (Twinning)	430.000			
Improvement of Consular Procedures	600.000			
Modernisation of Border Crossing Points		7.000.000		
(Röszke)	Cal	(4.500.000)		
(Letenye)		(2.500.000)		
Strengthening of Border Management System		8.000.000		
(Twinning- Asylum and Refugees)		(500.000)		
(Training- Organised Crime)		(1.000.000)		
(Equipment for Border Management System)		(1.500.000)		
(Border Management Data Processing System)		(5.000.000)		
Equipment for green border control			4.900.000	
Special Equipment for Border Guard			700.000	
Data Processing for Border Guard			600.000	
Conversion of Border Guard			2.000.000	
Refugee and Migration Affairs			1.500.000	1.500.000
Local Network			500.000	
Other Equipment			600.000	
Twinning			400.000	
Immigration policy: visa			400.000	400.000
			400.000	
Total	4.000.000	15.000.000	13.600.000	32.600.000

Twinning Arrangements with Member States financed by Phare National Programmes

Code	FM	Number	Twinning	Budget	Covenant's	Steering	Follow-up &
Title	Budget	of PAAs	partners	available	Budget	Committee	Comments
	Line	(duration)	(Bold =	in the FM	(in Euro)		(15/09/99)
			leader)				
HU 97 /IB/JH01	HU9703	1 PAA	France	430.000	429.476	16 July	Revised covenant
Strengthening of		12 months	+ Germany			Resubmissi	has been refused by
Border			+ Austria			on by	the EC Delegation
Management						written	on 17/09 – to be re-
						procedure	submitted
HU 97 /IB/JH02	HU9703	1 PAA	Germany	1.500.000	1.529.029	16 July	Revised covenant
Training of Law		14 months	+ France		or	Conditional	received on 24/09 at
Enforcement			+ Austria		1.600.000	approval	the Delegation :
Bodies			+ Spain		A .	decided	under examination
							before endorsement
HU 98 /IB/JH01	HU98050	1 PAA	United	1.000.000	1.251.264	16 April	APPROVED by Bxl
Fight Against	1	18 months	Kingdom +		new request	Conditional	on 22/09/99 BUT
Organised Crime			D, IT, NL, F	Cas	1.499.231	Approval	NOT by Delegation
							: refused on 1/10/99
							– not ready
HU 98 /IB/JH02	HU98050	1 PAA	Germany	500.000	490.239	16 April	APPROVED by the
Training in the	1	24 months	+ Denmark		then	Resubmissi	SC BUT NOT by
Field of Asylum			+		497.490	on by	the Delegation – not
and Refugees			Netherlands			written	ready yet for
		S				procedure	endorsement