



EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 2024

FINANCES OF THE UNION
Budget for the Administrative Section for 2025

Memorandum by the APPU Bureau

<p>1. Subject</p> <p>Presentation of the Budget for 2025</p>	<p>References/Paragraphs</p> <p>§§ 1 to 2</p>
<p>2. Decisions expected</p> <p>The EC is invited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - take note of this document - approve the budget for 2025 	<p>§§ 1 to 2</p> <p>§§ 1 to 2, Annex 1</p>

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The annual expenditure of the Union shall be separate for the Administrative Section and the Training Section. The maximum amount for the annual expenditure for the Administrative Section as stipulated in Article 117.1 of the General Regulations is USD 80,000. However, Article 117.5 states that the limit laid down in Article 117.1 may be exceeded to enable the recruitment of personnel or otherwise to provide for the efficient operation of the Administrative Section if the majority of the member countries agree.
- 1.2 In the past years, the Congress/ EC has approved budgets exceeding USD 80,000 exercising the powers granted under Article 117.1 of General Regulations of APPU. For reference, the approved budgets for the past 5 years were as follows:

Year	Approved budget (USD)
2020	209,002
2021	213,868
2022	209,944
2023	206,515
2024	206,520

- 1.3 The expenditure for the Administrative Section is shared by all member countries, in accordance with the UPU contribution class of that member, as prescribed in Article 116. Furthermore, the Executive Council in 2023 has authorized the Bureau to make necessary adjustments within the allocated expenditure categories, ensuring that the overall expenditure remains within the limits approved by the EC, effective from 2023.
- 1.4 Regarding contribution from member countries to the APPU, it is brought to the attention of all members that the Joint Sub Committee constituted for reviewing the finances of the Union has commenced the works and the report can be found in EC 2024 Doc 17.

2. Budget for 2025

- 2.1 The detailed budget for the Administrative Section can be found in EC 2024 Doc 6b Annex 2.
- 2.2 The projected income to the Union in 2025 through regular member country contributions and miscellaneous income is USD 209,227. This excludes any income from secondments or specific projects to be undertaken by the Union. The estimated expenditure for the year 2025 is USD 215,814. The Bureau will undertake efforts to increase the income through voluntary contributions from member countries and to rationalize the expenditure. In case of shortfalls, the same will be covered from the Administrative Section Reserve Fund as explained in EC 2024 Doc 6c.