

Chapter 1

General Matters

1.1 Financial Outturn

The publication *Audited Appropriation Accounts of Departments and Offices for 2005* (Prn.A6/0430) includes a summary which shows the amount to be surrendered as €774.84m. This is arrived at as shown in Table 1.

Table 1 Outturn for the year 2005

	€000	€000	€000
<i>Estimated Gross Expenditure</i>			
Original Estimates	39,843,648		
Supplementary Estimates	79,139		
Deferred Surrender 2004	<u>236,967</u>	40,159,754	
<i>Deduct: -</i>			
<i>Estimated Appropriations-in-Aid</i>			
Original Estimates	3,671,439		
Supplementary Estimates	<u>(12,167)</u>	<u>3,659,272</u>	
Estimated Net Expenditure			36,500,482
Actual Gross Expenditure		39,250,208	
<i>Deduct: -</i>			
Actual Appropriations-in-Aid		<u>3,813,835</u>	
Net Expenditure			<u>35,436,373</u>
Surplus for the Year			1,064,109
Deferred Surrender 2005			289,268
Amount to be Surrendered			€774,841

The amount to be surrendered represents 2.12% of Estimated Net Expenditure as compared with 1.72% in 2004.

Extra Exchequer Receipts

Extra Receipts payable to the Exchequer as recorded in the Appropriation Accounts amounted to €252,052,839.

Surrender of Balances of 2004 Votes

The balances due to be surrendered out of Votes for Public Services for the year ended 31 December 2004 amounted to €568m. I hereby certify that these balances have been duly surrendered.

Stock and Store Accounts

The stock and store accounts of the Departments have been examined with generally satisfactory results.