

Intervention of **Mr. Mohamed Gahche**

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## **Bill on Financial Year 2008**

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In the Name of Allah the Almighty and Merciful

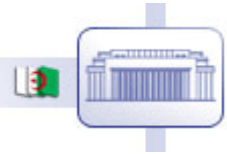
- Mr. Speaker of the National People's Assembly
- Your Excellencies Ministers
- Colleagues and Fellow MPs
- Medias
- Honorable Audience

Might peace and Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you

**S**ince the financial health of Algerian is good and I thank Allah for that, I wanted to tackle several points, of which:

**First:**      **To review the question of wages, for which Algeria is ranked almost the last in comparison with the neighboring countries and other countries.**

To reconsider also the wages of the contracting Algerians in the embassies and consulates in the United States, Canada and elsewhere, particularly that recently the contracting Algerians were surprised by the American government with the necessity to pay a tax on wages not paid by workers for more than 20 years, this for many reasons for which we have not time listed now.



Mr. Speaker

The increase of wages constitutes a strong incentive to encourage the educated category to return to the motherland.

**Second:** I request the canceling or reconsideration of the (TVA) for basic consuming goods to help the citizens.

**Third:** We support the increase in the budget of the Ministry of the Interior and especially the police,

We support the increase in the budget of the Ministry of the Interior and especially the police, in order to maintain order, in comparison with the neighboring countries such as in Tunisia where the number of police is over 750 thousand (policemen) for almost 10 million people, while Algeria's population is 3 times bigger than the population of Tunisia and the number of police in Algeria does not exceed 120 thousand (policemen).

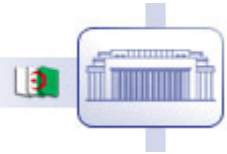
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**Fifth:** I support, in general, the increase in the Ministry of Education,

I support, in general, the increase in the Ministry of Education, education and science are the foundation of development and the advancement of Algeria to a higher level, the increase in the budget for education should thus focus on incentives and special increments in favor of staff, as well as incentives for students at all levels of education (primary, secondary, university and even in research centers).

This could limit the brain drain and exhort our scientists who are abroad to return, how long will we continue to spend large amounts of money to train our children for the benefit of others than us?



**Sixth:      The increase in investments in all sectors to eradicate unemployment**

The increase in investments in all sectors to eradicate unemployment, the rate of unemployment, especially among young people remains the fearsome ghost that leads to the aggravation of poverty and social scourges and criminal actions, and to resort to smuggling and illegal and non-licensed trade, all these are pests which eradication may not be achieved only by work and determination but by providing jobs for young people.

**Seventh:    To improve wages, to respect the Algerians and awake their awareness**

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Finally, I thank the Chairman, the members and the assistants of the Committee on Finance and Budget for he tremendous efforts they have made particularly in the streamlining of this law, as we appreciate the efforts of our colleagues the deputies in conveying the concerns to the citizens in all honesty and sincerity, and we do not forget in this place to express our thanks to the Government members for the efforts made in all fields, the aim is one, it is to bring beloved Algeria among the developed countries.

***I seize the occasion of the fifty-third anniversary of the outbreak and the glorious Algerian revolution to extend to the Algerian people and government our sincere congratulations wishing the development and prosperity for our dearest nation.***

Might peace and Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you.

Thank you.