

COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION Brussels, 18 June 2013

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## "I/A" ITEM NOTE

from :	Budget Committee
to :	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
	9994/13 FIN 292 SOC 353 - COM(2012) 291 final 9995/13 FIN 293
Subject :	<ul> <li>Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund in accordance with Point 28 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline and sound financial management (EGF/2013/000 TA 2013 - Technical assistance at the initiative of the Commission)</li> <li>Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 08/2013 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2013</li> </ul>

 The Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF), as recorded in document 9994/13 FIN 292 SOC 353, accompanied by the corresponding proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 08/2013, as recorded in document 9995/13 FIN 293. 2. The proposal aims at mobilising an amount of EUR 750 000, at the initiative of the Commission, to cover technical assistance related to the EGF, in accordance with Article 8(1) of Regulation (EC) 1927/2006<sup>1</sup>. The objective of the technical assistance is to finance activities related to monitoring, information exchange, creation of knowledge base, networking and conducting of an evaluation of the EGF.

The purpose of the proposed transfer is to move an amount of EUR 750 000 in commitment appropriations from Article 40 02 43 (*Reserve for the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund*) and in payment appropriations from Article 04 05 01 (*European Globalisation Adjustment Fund*) to Item 04 01 04 14 (*EGF - Expenditure on administrative management*).

- At the simplified trilogue procedure provided for in Point 28 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006, an agreement was reached on the mobilisation of the EGF to cover the technical assistance and on the amount proposed by the Commission.
- 4. The <u>Budget Committee</u> examined both proposals at its meeting on 6 June 2013.
- 5. Following that examination, the <u>Budget Committee</u> agreed, by a qualified majority, to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee advise the Council to:
  - adopt the proposed Decision on the mobilisation of the EGF;
  - approve the proposed transfer of appropriations;
  - approve the draft letter in the ANNEX to that effect.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As amended by Regulation (EC) No 546/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2009.

## <u>ANNEX</u>

## DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council

to : President of the European Parliament

copy : President of the Commission

Sir,

In accordance with Point 28 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 and with Article 12(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 establishing the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund<sup>2</sup>, the Council has approved the Decision on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF/2013/000 TA 2013 - Technical assistance at the initiative of the Commission), as presented by the Commission on 15 May 2013 (COM(2013) 291 final).

In accordance with Article 27(4) of the Financial Regulation of 25 October 2012<sup>3</sup>, I inform you that the Council, for its part, has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 08/2013 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2013, accompanying the abovementioned Decision.

(Complimentary close).

<sup>2</sup> As amended by Regulation (EC) No 546/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2009.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002.