



**COUNCIL OF  
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

**Brussels, 27 June 2013**

**11456/13**

**FIN 364  
INST 338  
PE-L 46**

**"I/A" ITEM NOTE**

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from : Budget Committee  
to : Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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No. Cion prop. : 11322/13 fin 358

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Subject : Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 14/2013 within Section III -  
Commission - of the general budget for 2013

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1. On 24 June 2013, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 14/2013.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer non-differentiated appropriations for an amount of EUR 3 929 200 from Article 40 01 40 (*Administrative reserve*) to Article 24 01 06 (*European Anti-fraud Office (OLAF)*), as recorded in document 11322/13 FIN 358.

2. The aim of this transfer is to release the reserve established by the budgetary authority in relation with budget line A3 01 01 (*Expenditure related to staff in active employment*) from Article 24 01 06 (*European Anti-fraud Office*). The condition for releasing the reserve was to allow Members of the European Parliament to inspect how the appropriations co-financed by OLAF via the Hercule II programme were used in Member States. The Commission provided information on the steps taken to fulfil this condition.

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 26 June 2013.
4. Following that examination, the Budget Committee agreed, by qualified majority, to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee advise the Council to approve:
  - the proposed transfer of appropriations;
  - the draft letter in the ANNEX to that effect.

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DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council  
to : President of the Commission  
copy : President of the European Parliament

Sir,

In accordance with Article 27 of the Financial Regulation of 25 October 2012<sup>1</sup>, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 14/2013 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2013.

(Complimentary close).

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<sup>1</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.