



**COUNCIL OF  
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

**Brussels, 12 July 2013**

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**FIN 422  
INST 379  
PE-L 58**

**"I/A" ITEM NOTE**

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from : Budget Committee  
to : Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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No. Cion prop. : 11826/13 FIN 394

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Subject : Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 18/2013 within Section III -  
Commission - of the general budget for 2013

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1. On 5 July 2013, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 18/2013.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer a total amount of EUR 247.7 million in commitment appropriations and EUR 140 million in payment appropriations from Chapters 01 03 (*International economic and financial affairs*), 19 03 (*Common foreign and security policy*), 19 06 (*Crisis response and global threats to security*), 19 08 (*European Neighbourhood policy and relations with Russia*), 19 09 (*Relations with Latin America*), 19 10 (*Relations with Asia, Central Asia and the Middle East (Iraq, Iran, Yemen)*), 23 03 (*Civil protection financial interventions*) and 40 02 (*Reserves for financial interventions*) to Article 23 02 01 (*Humanitarian aid*), as recorded in document 11826/13 FIN 394.

2. The transfer is being proposed in order to provide humanitarian assistance to respond to the increased needs in the crisis in Syria.

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meetings on 9 and 11 July 2013.
4. In accordance with the provisions of Point 25 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006, a simplified trilogue was held on the Commission proposal.
5. Following that examination, the Budget Committee agreed, by a 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 Articles 27 and 29(2) of the Financial Regulation of 25 October 2012<sup>1</sup>, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 18/2013 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.