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Subject: Transfer of appropriations No DEC 23/2013 within Section III -
Commission - of the general budget for 2013

Delegations will find attached Commission document DEC 23/2013.

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

BRUSSELS, 02/09/2013

GENERAL BUDGET - 2013
SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES 11, 40

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS No **DEC 23/2013**

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FROM

CHAPTER - 40 02 RESERVES FOR FINANCIAL INTERVENTIONS

ARTICLE - 40 02 41 Differentiated appropriations

Commitments	- 1 350 000
Payments	- 1 350 000

TO

CHAPTER - 1103 International fisheries and law of the sea

ARTICLE - 11 03 01 International fisheries agreements

Commitments	1 350 000
Payments	1 350 000

I. INCREASE

a) Heading

11 03 01 – International fisheries agreements

b) Figures at 8/8/2013

	Commitments	Payments
1A. Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	29 010 000	28 674 039
1B. Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0	0
2. Transfers	0	0
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3. Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	29 010 000	28 674 039
4. Utilisation of final appropriation	28 574 994	26 418 976
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5. Amount not used/available (3-4)	435 006	2 255 063
6. Requirements up to year-end	1 785 006	3 605 063
7. Increase requested	1 350 000	1 350 000
8. Increase as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	4.65%	4.71%
9. Increase, as a percentage of the final appropriation for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 26(1)(b) and (c) of the Financial Regulation, calculated in accordance with Article 14 of the Rules of Application	n/a	n/a

c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over) (C5)

	Commitments	Payments
1. Appropriation available at start of year	0	0
2. Appropriation available on 8/8/2013	0	0
3. Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	n/a	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the increase

Following negotiations with representatives of the Gabonese Republic, a new Protocol to the Fisheries Partnership Agreement was initialled on 24 April 2013. On 27 June 2013 the Commission adopted the legislative proposals resulting from these negotiations.

On 22 July 2013 the Council adopted the decision on the provisional application of the new Protocol. In accordance with Article 14 of the Protocol, its provisional application will begin on the date on which it is signed.

The budget allocation is therefore needed in operational line 11 03 01 in order to make the commitments and payments arising from the abovementioned legal base for 2013, which come to a total of EUR 1 350 000.

II. DECREASE

a) Heading

40 02 41 – Differentiated appropriations

b) Figures at 9/8/2013

	Commitments	Payments
1A. Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	278 891 985	188 563 836
1B. Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0	0
2. Transfers	-147 191 985	-63 456 639
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3. Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	131 700 000	125 107 197
4. Utilisation of final appropriation	0	0
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5. Amount not used/available (3-4)	131 700 000	125 107 197
6. Requirements up to year-end	n/a	n/a
7. Decrease proposed	1 350 000	1 350 000
8. Decrease as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	0.48%	0.72%
9. Decrease, as a percentage of the final appropriation for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 26(1)(b) and (c) of the Financial Regulation, calculated in accordance with Article 14 of the Rules of Application	n/a	n/a

c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over) (C5)

	Commitments	Payments
1. Appropriation available at start of year	0	0
2. Appropriation available on 9/8/2013	0	0
3. Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	n/a	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the decrease

The balance of commitment and payment appropriations currently available in the reserve line is sufficient to cover the increase in the operational line.