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THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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INST 498
PE-L 79**

"I/A" ITEM NOTE

From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	13820/12 FIN 540

Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 22/2013 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2013
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1. On 19 September 2013, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 22/2013.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 18 million in commitment appropriations from Article 05 05 02 (*Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance for Rural Development (IPARD)*) to Article 22 02 01 (*Transition and institution-building assistance to candidate countries*), as recorded in document 13820/12 FIN 540.

2. The transfer is being proposed to support a limited number of rural infrastructure projects in FYROM.

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 23 September 2013.
4. 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.

DRAFT LETTER

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

Sir,

In accordance with Article 27(4) of the Financial Regulation of 25 October 2012¹, I inform you that the Council, for its part, has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 22/2013 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2013.

(Complimentary close).

¹ 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.