



**COUNCIL OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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NOTE

From:	Presidency
To:	Council
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Subject:	Draft amending budget No 6 to the general budget for 2013 - General statement of revenue

1. On 10 July 2013, the Commission presented draft amending budget (DAB) No 6/2013 concerning the revenue part of the 2013 budget. On 20 September 2013, the Commission presented a letter of amendment to DAB No 6/2013.
2. On 14 October 2013, as part of the compromise proposal presented by the Presidency, including DABs No 6/2013, No 8/2013 and No 9/2013, and transfer of appropriations No DEC 26/2013, the Permanent Representative Committee reached an agreement, by a qualified majority¹, on DAB No 6/2013 on the basis of document 14530/13.
3. In order to solve the Commission's urgent cash needs, the Council's position on DAB No 6/2013 needs to be adopted as soon as possible, so that the European Parliament can adopt the DAB at its second Plenary session of October 2013 (and not only after week 43).

¹ DK, FI, NL, SE and UK voting against.

4. Therefore, the Council is invited to:

- confirm the agreement on DAB No 6/2013, as modified by its letter of amendment, and to consequently adopt the Council's position on DAB No 6/2013 as proposed by the Commission;
 - instruct the Presidency to prepare the budgetary documents to be sent to the European Parliament and to approve the draft letter in Annex 2 to that effect;
 - have the Council's position, as set out in Annex 1, published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*;
 - enter into the Council's minutes the Council statement recorded in Annex 3.
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COUNCIL DECISION

adopting the Council position on draft amending budget No 6 of the European Union for the financial year 2013

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 314 thereof, in conjunction with the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 106a thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EC, 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 1605/2002¹ and in particular Article 41 thereof,

Whereas:

- the Union's budget for the financial year 2013 was definitively adopted on 12 December 2012²,
- on 10 July 2013, the Commission submitted a proposal containing draft amending budget No 6 to the general budget for the financial year 2013,
- on 20 September 2013, the Commission submitted a proposal containing a letter of amendment to draft amending budget No 6 to the general budget for the financial year 2013,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

¹ OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

² OJ L 66, 8.3.2013, p. 1, with Corrigendum in OJ L 134, 18.5.2013, p. 21.

Sole Article

The Council's position on draft amending budget No 6 of the European Union for the financial year 2013, as modified by its letter of amendment, was adopted on 21 October 2013.

The full text can be accessed for consultation or downloading on the Council's website:
<http://www.consilium.europa.eu/>.

Done in Brussels, on 21 October 2013.

For the Council

The President

DRAFT LETTER

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

Sir,

I am forwarding under separate cover the Council's position on draft amending budget No 6 for the financial year 2013¹, as modified by its letter of amendment, adopted by the Council on 21 October 2013.

(Complimentary close).

¹ Doc. 14870/13 + ADD 1.

COUNCIL STATEMENT TO BE RECORDED IN THE COUNCIL'S MINUTES

"The significant drop in proceeds from customs duties in the course of the 2013 financial year calls for a detailed technical explanation by the Commission and a thorough review of the valuation methods. It is among the tasks of the Advisory Committee on the Communities' Own Resources, which was established by Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1150/2000 of 22 May 2000 implementing Decision 94/728/EC, Euratom on the system of the Communities' own resources, to be consulted on and to discuss estimates of revenue from own resources. The Council urges the Commission to present a detailed statement to that Committee on its method of estimation and on the adjustments which it intends to make to that method.

The Council will be notified of the Committee's opinion within three months of the date of the decision on amending budget No 6/2013 and its letter of amendment."
