



**COUNCIL OF  
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

**Brussels, 23 February 2012**

**6543/12**

**FIN 97  
INST 134  
PE-L 6**

**"I/A" ITEM NOTE**

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from : Budget Committee  
to : Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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No. Cion prop. : 6530/12 FIN 96

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Subject : Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC04/2012 within Section III -  
Commission - of the general budget for 2012

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1. The Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC04/2012 within its Section of the general budget for 2012.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 980 000 in commitment and payment appropriations from Article 40 02 41 (*Reserves for financial interventions - Differentiated appropriations*) to Article 11 03 01 (*International Fisheries Agreements*), as recorded in document 6530/12 FIN 96.

2. Following the adoption of the relevant legal basis<sup>1</sup>, the Commission asks for the release of the above-mentioned amount from the reserve, in order to increase the appropriations available on the operational line.

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<sup>1</sup> Council Decision 2012/91/EU of 23 January 2012 on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and the financial contribution provided for by the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Mozambique (OJ L 46, 17.2.2012, p. 3).

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 23 February 2012.
  
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 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 24(4) of the Financial Regulation of 25 June 2002<sup>1</sup>, as interpreted in point 20 of the joint declaration on transitional measures applicable to the budgetary procedure after the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC04/2012 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2012.

(Complimentary close).

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<sup>1</sup> As last amended by Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1081/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010.