



**COUNCIL OF  
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

**Brussels, 2 July 2012**

**11939/12**

**FIN 477  
INST 441  
PE-L 44**

**"I/A" ITEM NOTE**

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from : Budget Committee  
to : Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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No. Cion prop. : 11822/12 FIN 472

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Subject : Proposal for transfer of appropriations No. DEC19/2012 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. DEC19/2012 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2012.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer EUR 337 578 119 in payment appropriations from item 32 04 14 01 (*Energy projects to aid economic recovery - Energy networks*) to Article 08 02 01 (*Cooperation - Health*) for an amount of EUR 67 000 000, to Article 08 03 01 (*Cooperation - Food, agriculture and fisheries, and biotechnology*) for an amount of EUR 118 000 000 and to Article 08 04 01 (*Cooperation - Nanosciences, nanotechnologies, materials and new production technologies*) for an amount of EUR 152 578 119, as recorded in document 11822/12 FIN 472.

2. The transfer is being proposed to secure pre-financing payments for around 200 grant agreements in a field of research to be signed between July and September upon the closure of the evaluation and negotiation phases of the 2012 work programmes.

3. The Budget Committee examined the proposal at its meeting on 27 June and 2 July 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.
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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 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 the transfer of appropriations No. DEC19/2012 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.