

COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION Brussels, 27 September 2012

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FIN 627 INST 498 PE-L 60

## "I/A" ITEM NOTE

from :	Budget Committee
<u>to</u> :	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion prop. :	12697/12 FIN 554 SOC 679 - COM(2012) 396 final
	13015/12 FIN 596
Subject :	<ul> <li>Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund in accordance with point 28 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline and sound financial management (application EGF/2011/015 SE/AstraZeneca from Sweden)</li> <li>Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 15/2012 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2012</li> </ul>

 The Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF), as recorded in document 12697/12 FIN 554 SOC 679, accompanied by the corresponding proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 15/2012 within Section III -Commission - of the general budget for 2012, as recorded in document 13015/12 FIN 596. 2. The proposal aims at mobilising an amount of EUR 4 325 854 under the EGF to meet an application from Sweden to deploy the Fund in connection with redundancies in the pharmaceutical sector, arising from the reorganisation of production processes and the delocalisation of certain activities to lower-cost non-EU countries in the context of major structural changes in world trade patterns.

The purpose of the proposed transfer of appropriations is to move this amount in commitment appropriations from Article 40 02 43 (*Reserve for the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund*) to Article 04 05 01 (*European Globalisation Adjustment Fund*).

- 3. At the simplified trilogue procedure provided for in Point 28 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006, an agreement was reached on the mobilisation of the EGF and on the amount proposed by the Commission.
- 4. The <u>Budget Committee</u> examined both proposals at its meeting on 4 September 2012.
- 5. Following that examination, the <u>Budget Committee</u> agreed, by a qualified majority, to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee advise the Council to:
  - adopt the Decision on the mobilisation of the EGF, as set out in document 12697/12;
  - approve the proposed transfer of appropriations, as set out in document 13015/12;
  - approve the annexed draft letter to the European Parliament and to the Commission to that effect.

## ANNEX

## DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council

to : President of the European Parliament

copy : President of the Commission

Sir,

In accordance with Point 28 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 17 May 2006 and with Article 12(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 establishing the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund<sup>1</sup>, the Council has approved the Decision on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (application EGF/2011/015 SE/AstraZeneca from Sweden), as presented by the Commission on 16 July 2012 (COM(2012) 396 final).

In accordance with Article 24(4) of the Financial Regulation of 25 June  $2002^2$ , 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, for its part, has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 15/2012 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2012, accompanying the abovementioned Decision.

(Complimentary close).

<sup>1</sup> As amended by Regulation (EC) No 546/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2009.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As last amended by Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1081/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010.