



**COUNCIL OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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**FIN 708
INST 562
PE-L 75**

"I/A" ITEM NOTE

from : Budget Committee
to : Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

No. Cion prop. : 14298/12 FIN 702

Subject : Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 33/2012 within Section III -
Commission - of the general budget for 2012

1. The Commission submitted to the Council proposal for a transfer of appropriations No DEC 33/2012.

The purpose of the proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 3 258 308 in commitment appropriations from Article 05 05 02 (*Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance for Rural Development*) to Article 22 02 01 (*Transition and institution-building assistance to candidate countries*), as recorded in document 14298/12 FIN 702.

2. The transfer is being proposed to cover the continuation of the national programme supporting the agricultural and rural development sectors in Montenegro.

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 2 October 2012.
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 24(4) of the Financial Regulation of 25 June 2002¹, 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 DEC 33/2012 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2012.

(Complimentary close).

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