



**COUNCIL OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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INST 686
PE-L 106**

"I/A" ITEM NOTE

from :	Budget Committee
to :	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion prop. :	16552/12 FIN 885
Subject :	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 48/2012 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2012

1. The Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 48/2012 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2012.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 2 567 480 in commitment appropriations (c/a) and an amount of EUR 378 385 in payment appropriations (p/a) from Article 40 02 41 (*Reserves for financial interventions - Differentiated appropriations*) to Article 11 03 01 (*International fisheries agreements*), as recorded in document 16552/12 FIN 885.

2. The mobilisation of the reserve line is needed in order to enable the Commission to cover:
- the financial contribution (EUR 1 325 000 in c/a) provided for in the fisheries partnership agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Kiribati, following the adoption by the Council of a Decision¹ on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the relevant Protocol;
 - the compensation (EUR 1 242 480 in c/a and 928 400 in p/a) to the Republic of Gabon and to the Republic of Kiribati for additional catches in 2011. Taking into account p/a still available on the operational line, the net increase in p/a is EUR 378 385.
3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 29 November 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.

¹ OJ L 300, 30.10.2012, p.2.

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 48/2012 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.