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| From: | Budget Committee |
| To: | Permanent Representatives Committee/Council |
| No. Cion doc.: | 9251/16 FIN 313 |
| Subject: | Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 09/2016 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2016 |

1. On 20 May 2016, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 09/2016.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer commitment appropriations for a total amount of EUR 50 million from Items 32 02 01 01 (*Further integration of the internal energy market and the interoperability of electricity and gas networks across borders*), 32 02 01 02 (*Enhancing Union security of energy supply*) and 32 02 01 03 (*Contributing to sustainable development and protection of the environment*) to Article 09 03 02 (*Creating an environment more conducive to private investment for telecommunication infrastructure projects -- CEF broadband*), as recorded in document 9251/16 FIN 313.

2. The aim of this transfer is to reinforce the telecommunications strand of the Connecting Europe Facility by decreasing the Energy strand in order to frontload in 2016 the resources necessary to the creation of a new financial instrument in the area of broadband investment.

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 26 May 2016.
 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 the ANNEX to that effect.
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DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council
to : President of the European Parliament
copy : President of the Commission

Sir,

In accordance with Article 27(4) of the Financial Regulation of 25 October 2012¹, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 09/2016 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2016.

(Complimentary close).

¹ Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).