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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	7980/16 FIN 235 (COM(2016) 227 final)
Subject:	Draft amending budget No 2 to the general budget for 2016: Entering the surplus of the financial year 2015

1. On 15 April 2016, the Commission submitted to the Council draft amending budget (DAB) No 2 to the general budget for 2016 concerning the budgeting of the surplus resulting from the implementation of the budget year 2015.

The implementation of the budget year 2015 shows a *surplus* of EUR 1 349 116 813.74 resulting from:

a) an *over-registering in revenue* (+ EUR 980 million) divided by title as follows:

– Title 1 (Own resources):	+ EUR 1 071 million
– Title 3 (Surpluses, balances and adjustments):	- EUR 537 million
– Title 7 (Interest on late payments and fines):	+ EUR 180 million
– Other titles:	+ EUR 266 million

- b) an *under-spending of payment appropriations* (+ EUR 187 million), of which notably:
- appropriations authorised in the 2015 budget (Commission): + EUR 78 million
 - appropriations carried over from 2014 (Commission): + EUR 14 million
 - appropriations authorised in 2015 and carried over from 2014 (Other institutions): + EUR 94 million
- c) a *positive balance of monetary exchange* (+ EUR 182 million).

The budgeting of this surplus will diminish accordingly the global contribution of Member States to the financing of the EU budget.

2. On 19 April 2016, the Budget Committee examined the Commission proposal and was able to accept it without any changes.
3. At the close of its examination, the Budget Committee agreed, by a qualified majority¹, to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee advise the Council to:
 - adopt the Council's position on DAB No 2/2016 as set out in point 2;
 - instruct the Presidency to prepare the budgetary documents to be sent to the European Parliament and to approve the draft letter in Annex 2 to that effect;
 - have the Council's position published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* as set out in Annex 1.

¹ UK abstaining.

COUNCIL DECISION

adopting the Council's position on draft amending budget No 2 of the European Union for the financial year 2016

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 314 thereof, in conjunction with the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 106a thereof,

Having regard to 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 1605/2002¹ and in particular Article 41 thereof,

Whereas:

- the Union's budget for the financial year 2016 was definitively adopted on 25 November 2015²
- on 15 April 2016, the Commission submitted a proposal containing draft amending budget No 2 to the general budget for the financial year 2016,

¹ OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

² OJ L 48, 24.2.2016, p. 1.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

The Council's position on draft amending budget No 2 of the European Union for the financial year 2016 was adopted on 17 June 2016.

The full text can be accessed for consultation or downloading on the Council's website:

<http://www.consilium.europa.eu/>.

Done at Luxembourg, on 17 June 2016.

*For the Council
The President*

DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council

to : President of the European Parliament

Sir,

I am forwarding under separate cover the Council's position on draft amending budget No 2 for the financial year 2016¹, adopted by the Council on 17 June 2016.

(Complimentary close).

¹ Doc. 9586/16 BUDGET 15.