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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	10931/16 FIN 440
Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 19/2016 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2016

1. On 5 July 2016, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 19/2016.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer a total amount of EUR 85 million from Items 19 03 01 04 (*Other crisis management measures and operations*), 19 03 01 05 (*Emergency measures*) and 19 03 01 07 (*European Union Special Representatives*) in commitment appropriations to Item 22 04 01 03 (*Mediterranean countries - Confidence building, security and the prevention and settlement of conflicts*), as recorded in document 10931/16 FIN 440.

2. The transfer is being proposed in order to fulfil part of the pledge from the EU budget for 2016 to the international donor conference of February 2016 "Supporting Syria and the region". The amounts transferred will be used to respond to refugees-migration priority needs in Lebanon and Jordan through the Madad Trust Fund.
3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 7 July 2015.

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.
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DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council

to : President of the Commission

copy : President of the European Parliament

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 19/2016 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).