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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From: Budget Committee
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

Subject: Discharge to be given to the joint undertakings in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 2015
– *Draft Council recommendations*

1. In accordance with the relevant establishing acts and, as for the European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy and the SESAR Joint Undertaking, also in accordance with Article 208(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012¹, the Council is required to draw up recommendations to the European Parliament on a discharge to be given to the joint undertakings.

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).

2. At its meetings on 16 and 31 January, and on 2 February 2017, the Budget Committee examined the seven specific annual reports¹ of the European Court of Auditors related to joint undertakings, and reached an agreement on the draft texts as set out in the Addendum.
3. The Budget Committee advises the Permanent Representatives Committee to suggest that the Council:
 - adopt the draft recommendations as set out in the Addendum to this note; and
 - arrange for them to be forwarded to the European Parliament and to approve the draft letter in the Annex to that effect.

¹ OJ C 473, 16.12.2016.

DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council

to : President of the European Parliament

Sir,

In accordance with the relevant establishing acts and, as for the European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy and the SESAR Joint Undertaking, also in accordance with Article 208(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012¹, I am forwarding under separate cover² the Council recommendations of 21 February 2017 on the discharge to be given to the joint undertakings in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 2015.

[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).

² Doc. 5875/17 FIN 63 PE-L 6 + ADD 1.