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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	9991/17 FIN 352
Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 09/2017 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2017

1. On 6 June 2017, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 09/2017.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer non-differentiated appropriations for a total amount of EUR 29 million from Article XX 01 01 (*Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff*) to Article XX 01 03 (*Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services*) (EUR 17 million) and Item 30 01 15 01 (*Pensions, invalidity allowances and severance grants*) (EUR 12 million). The appropriations of those budget lines are transferred within Chapters 01 01 to 09 01, 11 01 to 23 01, 25 01 to 29 01 and 31 01 to 34 01, as recorded in document 9991/17 FIN 352.

2. The aim of this transfer is to finance a number of investments in the information and communication technology environment (including network, servers and devices) in order to increase the cybersecurity of the systems as well as to cover the increased needs in pension expenditure created by a higher than expected increase in the number of beneficiaries of retirement and survivor's pensions in the first four months of 2017.

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- 3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 16 June 2017.
- 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 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 09/2017 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2017.

(Complimentary close).

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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).