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#### 'I/A' ITEM NOTE

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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	10719/17 FIN 420
Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 15/2017 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2017

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1. On 27 June 2017, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 15/2017.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 2.3 million both in commitment appropriations (c/a) and payment appropriations (p/a) from Article 05 06 01 (*International agricultural agreements*), an amount of EUR 87.7 million in c/a and EUR 59.5 million in p/a from Article 40 02 42 (*Emergency aid reserve*) and an amount of EUR 8.2 million in p/a from Article 04 05 51 (*Completion of actions (prior to 2014) -- Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance -- Human resources development*) to Article 23 02 01 (*Delivery of rapid, effective and needs-based humanitarian aid and food aid*), as recorded in document 10719/17 FIN 420.

2. The transfer is being proposed in order to provide humanitarian assistance to respond to the increased needs in the crisis caused by severe drought conditions in the Horn of Africa and the needs of the South Sudanese refugees in neighbouring countries, for an amount of EUR 90 million in c/a and EUR 70 million in p/a.
3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 29 June 2017.

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 2012<sup>1</sup>, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 15/2017 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2017.

(Complimentary close).

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<sup>1</sup> 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).