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#### 'I/A' ITEM NOTE

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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	13563/17 FIN 643
Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 29/2017 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2017

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1. On 23 October 2017, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 29/2017.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 2 700 000 in commitment and payment appropriations from Items 18 01 04 05 (*Support expenditure for Emergency support within the Union*) and 23 03 01 01 (*Disaster prevention and preparedness within the Union*) to Article 17 04 04 (*Fund for emergency measures related to animal and plant health*), as recorded in document 13563/17 FIN 643.

2. The transfer is being proposed in order to support the emergency measures taken by Member States to contain the spread of the Avian Influenza virus across the EU. The transfer will allow paying an additional advance to Member States still in 2017.

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 27 October 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 of the Financial Regulation of 25 October 2012<sup>1</sup>, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 29/2017 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).