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| To: | Mr Märt KIVINE, President of the Council of the European Union |
| Subject: | Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 31/2017 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2017 |

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GENERAL BUDGET - 2017 SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES: 09, 15

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° DEC 31/2017

FROM

CHAPTER - 0905 Creative Europe

ARTICLE - 09 05 51 Completion of former MEDIA programmes (Internal Assigned Revenue Carried Over)

Commitments
-313 282,08
Payments
-313 282,08

<u>TO</u>

CHAPTER - 1504 Creative Europe

ARTICLE - 15 04 01 Strengthening the financial capacity of SMEs and small and very small organisations in the European cultural and creative sectors, and fostering policy development and new business models (Internal Assigned

Revenue Carried Over)

Commitments

313 282,08

Payments

313 282,08

Introduction:

The Commission requests a transfer of EUR 313 282,08 in internal assigned revenues carried over, both in commitment and payment appropriations from budget line 09 05 51 "Completion of former MEDIA programmes" to budget line 15 04 01 "Strengthening the financial capacity of SMEs and small and very small organisations in the European cultural and creative sectors, and fostering policy development and new business models". The request concerns the transfer of repaid amounts from the MEDIA Production Guarantee Fund to the successor Cultural and Creative Sectors Guarantee Facility, in accordance with Annex I of the Creative Europe Regulation (N° 1295/2013).

I. DECREASE

I.1

a) Heading

09 05 51 - Completion of former MEDIA programmes (Internal Assigned Revenue Carried Over)

b) Figure at 17/10/2017

| | Commitments | Payments |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| 1 Appropriation in budget (Internal Assigned Revenue Carried Over) | 622 895,47 | 622 895,47 |
| 2 Transfers | -309 613,39 | -100 088,79 |
| 3 Final appropriation for the year (1+2) | 313 282,08 | 522 806,68 |
| 4 Utilisation of final appropriation | 0,00 | 209 524,60 |
| 5 Amount not used/available (3-4) | 313 282,08 | 313 282,08 |
| 6 Requirements up to year-end | 0,00 | 0,00 |
| 7 Proposed decrease | 313 282,08 | 313 282,08 |
| 8 Decrease as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1) | 50,29 % | 50,29 % |
| 9 Decrease, as a percentage of the final appropriation for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 26(1)(b) of the Financial Regulation, calculated in accordance with Article 14 of the Rules of Application | n/a | n/a |

c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over from previous year)

| | Commitments | Payments |
|---|-------------|------------|
| 1 Appropriations available at start of the year | 622 895,47 | 622 895,47 |
| 2 Appropriations available on 17/10/2017 | 313 282,08 | 313 282,08 |
| 3 Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1] | 49,71 % | 49,71 % |

d) Detailed grounds for the transfer

This transfer request concerns unused amounts repaid by the delegated bodies responsible for the implementation of the MEDIA Production Guarantee Fund, an instrument of the former generation of the MEDIA programme. In this regard, Article 3 paragraph 2 of Annex I of the Regulation (EU) No 1295/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing the Creative Europe Programme (2014 to 2020) states that "Repayments generated in accordance with the provisions of relevant delegation agreements by the operations of the MEDIA Production Guarantee Fund set up before 2014 shall be assigned to the Guarantee Facility in the period 2014-2020". The Creative Europe programme and its prior programmes are, since the current Commission's mandate, co-managed under two different titles of the budget (titles 09 and 15). The budget lines concerned are in these two different titles, with the budget line of the Media production Guarantee Fund under title 09 (MEDIA "completion activities" line – 09 05 51) and that of the new Guarantee Facility in title 15, i.e. 15 04 01. Given the legal constraints for the use of repayments from the former generation Guarantee Fund and the Financial Regulation provisions when it comes to transfer of appropriations between two different titles, the Commission proposes hereby a Budgetary Authority transfer to honour its legal obligations.

II. INCREASE

II.1

a) Heading

15 04 01 - Strengthening the financial capacity of SMEs and small and very small organisations in the European cultural and creative sectors, and fostering policy development and new business models (Internal Assigned Revenue Carried Over)

b) Figure at 17/10/2017

| | Commitments | Payments |
|--|-------------|------------|
| 1 Appropriation in budget (Internal Assigned Revenue Carried Over) | 121 927,85 | 105 392,23 |
| 2 Transfers | 0,00 | 0,00 |
| 3 Final appropriation for the year (1+2) | 121 927,85 | 105 392,23 |
| 4 Utilisation of final appropriation | 121 927,85 | 105 392,23 |
| 5 Amount not used/available (3-4) | 0,00 | 0,00 |
| 6 Requirements up to year-end | 313 282,08 | 313 282,08 |
| 7 Proposed increase | 313 282,08 | 313 282,08 |
| 8 Increase as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1) | 256,94 % | 297,25 % |
| 9 Increase, as a percentage of the final appropriation for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 26(1)(b) of the Financial Regulation, calculated in accordance with Article 14 of the Rules of Application | n/a | n/a |

c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over from previous year)

| | Commitments | Payments |
|---|-------------|------------|
| 1 Appropriations available at start of the year | 121 927,85 | 105 392,23 |
| 2 Appropriations available on 17/10/2017 | 0,00 | 0,00 |
| 3 Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1] | 100,00 % | 100,00 % |

d) Detailed grounds for the transfer

Same justification as for line 09 05 51 (please see page 3).