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From: Mr Janusz LEWANDOWSKI, Member of the European Commission
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Subject: Transfer of appropriations No DEC 40/2013 within Section III -
Commission - of the general budget for 2013

Delegations will find attached Commission's document DEC 40/2013.

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

BRUSSELS, 14/11/2013

GENERAL BUDGET - 2013
SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLE 11

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° **DEC 40/2013**

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FROM

CHAPTER - 1103 International fisheries and law of the sea

ARTICLE - 11 03 02 Contributions to international organisations

Commitments - 485 000

TO

CHAPTER - 1107 Conservation, management and exploitation of living aquatic resources

ARTICLE - 11 07 02 Support for the management of fishery resources (improvement of scientific advice)

Commitments 485 000

I. INCREASE

a) Heading

11 07 02 - Support for the management of fishery resources (improvement of scientific advice)

b) Figures at 25/10/2013

	Commitments
1A. Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	5 200 000
1B. Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0
2. Transfers	0
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3. Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	5 200 000
4. Utilisation of final appropriation	3 867 793
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5. Amount not used/available (3-4)	1 332 207
6. Requirements up to year-end	1 817 207
7. Increase proposed	485 000
8. Increase as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	9.33%
9. Increase, as a percentage of the final appropriation for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 26(1)(b) and (c) of the Financial Regulation, calculated in accordance with Article 14 of the Rules of Application	n/a

c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over) (C5)

	Commitments
1. Appropriation available at start of year	0
2. Appropriation available on the 25/10/2013	0
3. Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the increase

The need for additional funding is mainly related to the financing of "scientific advice in the Mediterranean". The purpose is to provide the Commission with scientific responses necessary for the day-to-day policy and management of the Mediterranean fisheries in the context of the Common Fisheries Policy. The contracts will concern issues such as the implications of the implementation of the landing obligations provisions in small pelagic fisheries in the Mediterranean Sea; laying out the structure of a standard management plan scheme accounting for the existing framework at European and Mediterranean level; and the state of implementation of Common Fisheries Policy rules in the Mediterranean area. An additional task related to the monitoring of the implementation by the Member States of the data collection framework is also planned.

II. DECREASE

a) Heading

11 03 02 - Contributions to international organisations

b) Figures at 25/10/2013

	Commitments
1A. Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	4 800 000
1B. Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0
2. Transfers	-245 000
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3. Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	4 555 000
4. Utilisation of final appropriation	3 625 556
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5. Amount not used/available (3-4)	929 444
6. Requirements up to year-end	444 444
7. Proposed decrease	485 000
8. Decrease as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	10.10%
9. Decrease, as a percentage of the final appropriation for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 26(1)(b) and (c) of the Financial Regulation, calculated in accordance with Article 14 of the Rules of Application	n/a

c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over) (C5)

	Commitments
1. Appropriation available at start of year	0
2. Appropriation available on the 25/10/2013	0
3. Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	n/a

d) Detail grounds for the transfer

For 2013, all mandatory contributions have been honoured. The total amount implemented is lower than foreseen in the 2013 budget, and the unused commitment appropriations can be transferred.