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From:	Mr Jacek DOMINIK, Member of the European Commission
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Subject:	Transfer of appropriations No DEC 45/2014 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2014

Delegations will find attached Commission document DEC 45/2014.

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GENERAL BUDGET - 2014

SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES: 11, 40

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° DEC 45/2014

FROM

CHAPTER - 4002 Reserves for financial interventions

ARTICLE - 40 02 41 Differentiated appropriations

Commitments	-396 305,00
Payments	-396 305,00

TO

CHAPTER - 1103 Compulsory contributions to Regional Fisheries Management Organisations (RFMOs) and other International Organisations and Sustainable Fisheries Agreements (SFAs)

ARTICLE - 11 03 01 Establishing a governance framework for fishing activities carried out by Union fishing vessels in third country waters (SFAs)

Commitments	396 305,00
Payments	396 305,00

I. DECREASE

I.1

a) Heading

40 02 41 – Reserve for financial interventions - Differentiated appropriations

b) Figure at 23/10/2014

	Commitments	Payments
1A Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	115 342 000,00	112 342 000,00
1B Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0,00	0,00
2 Transfers	-31 370 000,00	-31 370 000,00
3 Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	83 972 000,00	80 972 000,00
4 Utilisation of final appropriation	0,00	0,00
5 Amount not used/available (3-4)	83 972 000,00	80 972 000,00
6 Requirements up to year-end	n/a	n/a
7 Proposed decrease	396 305,00	396 305,00
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	0,34 %	0,35 %
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	n/a

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

	Commitments	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 23/10/2014	0,00	0,00
3 Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	n/a	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the transfer

The balance of commitment and payment appropriations currently available on the reserve line is sufficient to cover the increase on the operational line.

The amounts not used up to year-end mentioned above also include EUR 71 million in commitment appropriations and EUR 69.6 million in payment appropriations that the Commission has proposed to reduce in draft amending budgets 3 and 4/2014.

II. INCREASE

II.1

a) Heading

11 03 01 - Establishing a governance framework for fishing activities carried out by Union fishing vessels in third country waters (SFAs)

b) Figure at 23/10/2014

	Commitments	Payments
1A Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	29 658 000,00	32 658 000,00
1B Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0,00	0,00
2 Transfers	31 370 000,00	31 370 000,00
3 Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	61 028 000,00	64 028 000,00
4 Utilisation of final appropriation	61 027 244,00	60 423 404,22
5 Amount not used/available (3-4)	756,00	3 604 595,78
6 Requirements up to year-end	397 061,00	4 000 900,78
7 Proposed increase	396 305,00	396 305,00
8 Increase as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	1,34 %	1,21 %
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	n/a

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

	Commitments	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	546 339,78	546 339,78
2 Appropriations available on 23/10/2014	546 339,78	546 339,78
3 Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	0,00 %	0,00 %

d) Detailed grounds for the transfer

For almost all Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements reference levels of tonnage are used to calculate the initial amount due from the European Union for vessel access in waters under the jurisdiction of third countries. This baseline may not be considered a catch limit associated with a specific conservation goal or management. The Protocol attached to the Agreement signed on 09/10/2012 between the European Union and the Republic of Kiribati also provides the possibility of exceeding the reference level (set at 15 000 tonnes), with an additional fee of EUR 250/tonne for the first 2 500 tonnes and EUR 300/tonne for each additional tonne, with a maximum of EUR 65/tonne to be paid from the budget of the European Union and the rest being paid by the ship owners. According to the information submitted by the Republic of Kiribati on additional catches for 2013, there is an excess compared to the reference tonnage, which results in a EUR 396 305 additional payment from the EU budget, which needs to be mobilised in commitment and payment appropriations to respect the legal obligations.