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From: Budget Committee

To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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Subject: - Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund in accordance with Point 13 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 2 December 2013 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management (application EGF/2014/013 EL/Odyssefs Fokas)

- Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 50/2014 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2014

1. The Commission submitted to the Council a proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF), as recorded in document 15409/14 FIN 844 SOC 773, accompanied by the corresponding proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 50/2014, as recorded in document 15410/14 FIN 845.

2. The proposal aims at mobilising an amount of EUR 6 444 000 under the EGF to meet an application from Greece to deploy the Fund in connection with 600 redundancies in one enterprise operating in the retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles, sector. The redundancies are the result of a continuation of the global financial and economic crisis addressed in Regulation (EC) No 546/2009¹.

The purpose of the proposed transfer is to move an amount of EUR 6 444 000 in commitment appropriations from Article 40 02 43 (*Reserve for the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund*) to Article 04 04 01 (*European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF)*).

3. The Budget Committee examined both proposals at its meeting on 21 November 2014.
4. Following that examination, the Budget Committee agreed, by a qualified majority, to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee advise the Council to:
- adopt the draft Decision on the mobilisation of the EGF as set out in ANNEX 1;
 - approve the proposed transfer of appropriations;
 - approve the draft letter in ANNEX 2 to that effect.

¹ OJ L 167, 29.6.2009, p. 26.

DRAFT DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

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on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund, in accordance with Point 13 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 2 December 2013 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management (application EGF/2014/013 EL/Odyssefs Fokas)

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (2014-2020) and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006¹, and in particular Article 15(4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 of 2 December 2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020², and in particular Article 12 thereof,

Having regard to the Interinstitutional Agreement between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission of 2 December 2013 on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management³, and in particular Point 13 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

¹ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 855.

² OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 884.

³ OJ C 373, 20.12.2013, p. 1.

Whereas:

- (1) The European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF) was established to provide support for workers made redundant and self-employed persons whose activity has ceased as a result of major structural changes in world trade patterns due to globalisation, as a result of a continuation of the global financial and economic crisis addressed in Regulation (EC) No 546/2009¹, or as a result of a new global financial and economic crisis and to assist them with their reintegration into the labour market.
- (2) The EGF shall not exceed a maximum annual amount of EUR 150 million (2011 prices), as laid down in Article 12 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013.
- (3) On 29 July 2014, Greece submitted an application to mobilise the EGF, in respect of redundancies in Odyssefs Fokas S.A. in Greece and supplemented it by additional information as provided for in Article 8(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013. This application complies with the requirements for determining a financial contribution from the EGF as laid down in Article 13 of Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013.
- (4) In accordance with Article 6(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013, Greece has decided to provide personalised services co-financed by the EGF also to young persons not in employment, education or training (NEETs).
- (5) The EGF should, therefore, be mobilised in order to provide a financial contribution of an amount of EUR 6 444 000 for the application submitted by Greece,

¹ OJ L 167, 29.6.2009, p. 26.

HAVE ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

For the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2014, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund shall be mobilised to provide the sum of EUR 6 444 000 in commitment and payment appropriations.

Article 2

This decision shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels,

For the European Parliament
The President

For the Council
The President

DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council
to : President of the European Parliament
copy : President of the Commission

Sir,

In accordance with Point 13 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 2 December 2013 and with Article 15(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (2014-2020) and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006¹, the Council has approved the Decision on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (application EGF/2014/013 EL/Odyssefs Fokas).

In accordance with Article 27(4) of the Financial Regulation of 25 October 2012², I inform you that the Council, for its part, has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 50/2014 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2014, accompanying the abovementioned Decision.

(Complimentary close).

¹ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 855.

² 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, as last amended by Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1142/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October 2014 (OJ L 317, 4.11.2014, p. 28).