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GENERAL BUDGET - 2015
SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLE: 21

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° DEC 23/2015

FROM

CHAPTER - 2108 Development and cooperation worldwide

ARTICLE - 21 08 01 Evaluation of the results of Union aid and follow-up and audit measures	Payments	-10 000 000,00
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CHAPTER - 2109 Completion of actions implemented under Industrialised Countries Instrument (ICI+) Programme

ITEM - 21 09 51 01 Asia	Payments	-2 500 000,00
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ITEM - 21 09 51 02 Latin America	Payments	-3 000 000,00
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TO

CHAPTER - 2102 Development Cooperation Instrument (DCI)

ITEM - 21 02 51 04 Food security	Payments	9 500 000,00
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ITEM - 21 02 51 05 Non-State actors in development	Payments	3 000 000,00
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ITEM - 21 02 51 06 Environment and sustainable management of natural resources, including energy	Payments	3 000 000,00
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I. DECREASE

I.1

a) Heading

21 08 01 - Evaluation of the results of Union aid and follow-up and audit measures

b) Figure at 06/07/2015

	Payments
1A Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	23 622 115,00
1B Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0,00
2 Transfers	0,00
3 Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	23 622 115,00
4 Utilisation of final appropriation	7 748 486,29
5 Amount not used/available (3-4)	15 873 628,71
6 Requirements up to year-end	5 873 628,71
7 Proposed decrease	10 000 000,00
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	42,33 %
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)

	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 06/07/2015	0,00
3 Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the transfer

As part of the mitigating measures undertaken by the Commission for managing scarce payment appropriations, the contracts in 2015 under this budget line will be signed at the end of the year. Therefore, the first payments under these contracts will be due in 2016. Given more immediate payment needs on some completion lines in the Development Cooperation Instrument, an amount of EUR 10 million in payment appropriations can be made available from this budget line, without a negative impact on evaluation activities and without giving rise to payment of late interest.

I.2

a) Heading

21 09 51 01 - Asia

b) Figure at 06/07/2015

	Payments
1A Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	13 540 855,00
1B Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0,00
2 Transfers	0,00
3 Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	13 540 855,00
4 Utilisation of final appropriation	8 137 766,57
5 Amount not used/available (3-4)	5 403 088,43
6 Requirements up to year-end	2 903 088,43
7 Proposed decrease	2 500 000,00
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	18,46 %
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)

	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 06/07/2015	0,00
3 Rate of utilisation $[(1-2)/1]$	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the transfer

The Commission expects some requests for final payments under this budget line only towards the end of the year. Such payments could be more easily postponed to 2016 than other payments under some completion lines in the Development Cooperation Instrument. Therefore, an amount of EUR 2.5 million in payment appropriations can be made available to cover other more immediate needs.

I.3

a) Heading

21 09 51 02 - Latin America

b) Figure at 06/07/2015

	Payments
1A Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	8 804 880,00
1B Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0,00
2 Transfers	0,00
3 Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	8 804 880,00
4 Utilisation of final appropriation	4 821 161,26
5 Amount not used/available (3-4)	3 983 718,74
6 Requirements up to year-end	983 718,74
7 Proposed decrease	3 000 000,00
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	34,07 %
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)

	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 06/07/2015	0,00
3 Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the transfer

The Commission expects some requests for final payments under this budget line only towards the end of the year. Such payments could be more easily postponed to 2016 than other payments under some completion lines in the Development Cooperation Instrument. Therefore, an amount of EUR 3 million in payment appropriations can be made available to cover other more immediate needs.

II. INCREASE

II.1

a) Heading

21 02 51 04 - Food security

b) Figure at 06/07/2015

	Payments
1A Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	140 324 836,00
1B Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0,00
2 Transfers	33 763 732,00
3 Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	174 088 568,00
4 Utilisation of final appropriation	165 423 072,96
5 Amount not used/available (3-4)	8 665 495,04
6 Requirements up to year-end	18 165 495,04
7 Proposed increase	9 500 000,00
8 Increase as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	6,77 %
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)

	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	394 289,61
2 Appropriations available on 06/07/2015	0,00
3 Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	100,00 %

d) Detailed grounds for the transfer

On 3 July 2015, the implementation of the payment appropriations on this budget line has reached 95%. Out of the EUR 140 million of appropriations voted on that line, EUR 45 million have been used to pay the backlog of invoices transferred from 2014 to 2015.

It is estimated that, unless reinforced, the appropriations on this budget line will run out in July. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 9.5 million is requested to cover some important pending payments, among which a payment to the Livelihood and Food Security Trust Fund and several payments under projects in Africa.

II.2

a) Heading

21 02 51 05 - Non-State actors in development

b) Figure at 06/07/2015

	Payments
1A Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	138 405 898,00
1B Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0,00
2 Transfers	26 000 000,00
3 Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	164 405 898,00
4 Utilisation of final appropriation	142 121 325,35
5 Amount not used/available (3-4)	22 284 572,65
6 Requirements up to year-end	25 284 572,65
7 Proposed increase	3 000 000,00
8 Increase as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	2,17 %
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)

	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	13 327,03
2 Appropriations available on 06/07/2015	0,00
3 Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	100,00 %

d) Detailed grounds for the transfer

On 3 July 2015, the implementation of the payment appropriations on this budget line has reached 86%. Out of the EUR 138 million of appropriations voted on that line, EUR 16 million have been used to pay the backlog of invoices transferred from 2014 to 2015.

It is estimated that, unless reinforced, the appropriations on this budget line will run out in August. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 3 million is requested to cover some important pending payments, among which a payment under a project for empowering Civil Society Organisations Networks.

II.3

a) Heading

21 02 51 06 - Environment and sustainable management of natural resources, including energy

b) Figure at 06/07/2015

	Payments
1A Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	84 183 056,00
1B Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0,00
2 Transfers	-1 000 000,00
3 Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	83 183 056,00
4 Utilisation of final appropriation	64 826 840,27
5 Amount not used/available (3-4)	18 356 215,73
6 Requirements up to year-end	21 356 215,73
7 Proposed increase	3 000 000,00
8 Increase as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	3,56 %
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)

	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	151 574,45
2 Appropriations available on 06/07/2015	0,00
3 Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	100,00 %

d) Detailed grounds for the transfer

On 3 July 2015, the implementation of the payment appropriations on this budget line has reached 78%. Out of the EUR 84 million of appropriations voted on that line, EUR 16 million have been used to pay the backlog of invoices transferred from 2014 to 2015.

It is estimated that, unless reinforced, the appropriations on this budget line will run out in August. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 3 million is requested to cover some important pending payments, among which a payment under the Low Emission Capacity Building programme, a payment under the SWITCH Africa Green programme, a payment to the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund and payment under the "Capacity building for carbon dioxide mitigation from international aviation" programme.