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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	11753/15 FIN 592
Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 28/2015 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2015

1. On 8 September 2015, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 28/2015.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of:

- EUR 30 million in commitment appropriations (c/a) from Article 01 03 02 (*Macro-financial assistance*) to Item 21 03 01 03 (*Mediterranean countries - Confidence building, security and the prevention and settlement of conflicts*);
- EUR 12.5 million in c/a from Article 01 03 02 (*Macro-financial assistance*) and EUR 2.5 million in c/a from Article 40 02 42 (*Emergency Aid Reserve*) to Article 23 02 01 (*Delivery of rapid, effective and needs-based humanitarian aid and food aid*);

- EUR 1.7 million in payment appropriations (p/a) from Article 01 03 02 (*Macro-financial assistance*) and EUR 13.3 million in p/a from Article 40 02 42 (*Emergency Aid Reserve*) to Article 23 02 01 (*Delivery of rapid, effective and needs-based humanitarian aid and food aid*),

as recorded in document 11753/15 FIN 592.

2. The transfer of EUR 30 million in c/a is being proposed to support the refugee population in Syria, Lebanon and Jordan, in relation to the Syria crisis and to the rise of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL). The transfer of EUR 15 million both in c/a and p/a is being proposed to provide humanitarian assistance to respond to the increased needs in the crisis in Syria and Iraq.
3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 10 September 2015.
4. Following that examination, the Budget Committee agreed, by a qualified majority, to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee advise the Council to approve:
 - the proposed transfer of appropriations;
 - the draft letter in the ANNEX to that effect.

DRAFT LETTER

from: President of the Council

to: President of the Commission

copy: President of the European Parliament

Sir,

In accordance with Article 27(4) of the Financial Regulation of 25 October 2012¹, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 28/2015 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2015.

(Complimentary close).

¹ 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.