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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No 6/2015 within Section IV - Court of Justice - of the general budget for 2015

1. On 17 November 2015, the Court of Justice submitted to the Council its proposal for transfer of appropriations No 6 for the year 2015.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 2 000 000 from the reserve in Chapter 100 (*Provisional appropriations*) to Item 2000 (*Rent*). The reserve in Chapter 100 had been created for financing the structural strengthening of the General Court by 12 additional judges in 2015, the proposal for which was approved on 28 October 2015. Taking into account the time needed for the entering into force of the underlying legislative decision and for appointing the new judges, the financing will not be needed in 2015, but only from January 2016 onwards.

2. The transfer of EUR 2 000 000 is being proposed to make advance rent payments for the first quarter of 2016 relating to buildings occupied by the Court of Justice. This will create an equivalent surplus in 2016, which the Court of Justice intends to use in 2016 to finance the structural strengthening of the General Court by 12 additional judges in 2016 rather than in 2015, as was initially planned. The Court of Justice will, thus, present an equivalent transfer in 2016 to make that amount available in Title 1 of its budget for non-recurrent expenditure on the installation of the 12 new judges in the General Court, or their office staff and of Registry staff.
3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 26 November 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 Court of Justice

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 6/2015 within Section IV - Court of Justice - 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, (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).