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#### "I/A" ITEM NOTE

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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	5075/16 FIN 15
Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 46/2015 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2015

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1. On 8 January 2016, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 46/2015.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer a total amount of EUR 415.9 million in payment appropriations from budget lines under:

- sub-heading 1a (*Competitiveness for growth and jobs*): EUR 51.9 million;
- sub-heading 1b (*Economic, social and territorial cohesion*): EUR 285.8 million;
- heading 2 (*Sustainable growth: natural resources*): EUR 32.4 million;
- heading 3 (*Security and Citizenship*): EUR 25.2 million;
- heading 4 (*Global Europe*): EUR 20.4 million,

to the following budget lines:

- Item 05 04 05 01 (*Rural development programmes*): EUR 288.5 million; and
- Article 13 03 18 (*Completion of European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) — Regional competitiveness and employment*): EUR 127.4 million,

as recorded in document 5075/16 FIN 15.

2. In accordance with Article 179(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union<sup>1</sup>, this so-called "End of Year Transfer" intends to ensure that outstanding payment requests related to funds under shared management are met with the corresponding payment appropriations still available the budget.
3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 11 January 2016.
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.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

DRAFT LETTER

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

Sir,

In accordance with Articles 27 and 179 of the Financial Regulation of 25 October 2012<sup>1</sup>, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 46/2015 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2015.

(Complimentary close).

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<sup>1</sup> 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).