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From: Budget Committee
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.: 7866/18 FIN 301
Subject: Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 07/2018 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2018

1. On 10 April 2018, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 07/2018.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 1 596 750 from Item 13 05 63 02 (*Cross border cooperation (CBC) - contribution from Heading 4*), an amount of EUR 1 million from Article 21 02 02 (*Cooperation with Asia*) and an amount of EUR 23 403 250 from Article 40 02 42 (*Emergency aid reserve (Carry-Over)*) in commitment appropriations, and an amount of EUR 4 million from Article 04 05 51 (*completion of actions (prior to 2014) - Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance - Human resources development*), an amount of EUR 6 978 500 from Article 13 05 02 (*Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA) - completion of regional development component (2007 to 2013)*) and an amount of EUR 15 021 500 from Article 40 02 42 (*Emergency aid reserve*) in payment appropriations to Article 23 02 01 (*Delivery of rapid, effective and needs-based humanitarian aid and food assistance*), as recorded in document 7866/18.

2. The transfer is being proposed in order to provide humanitarian assistance to respond to the increased needs of the Rohingya refugee crisis in Bangladesh for an amount of EUR 26 million in both commitment and payment appropriations.
 3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 19 April 2018.
 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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ANNEX

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 07/2018 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2018.

(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).