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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	14585/17 FIN 737
Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 33/2017 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2017

1. On 20 November 2017, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 33/2017.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 62 million in commitment appropriations from Item 22 02 03 02 (*Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union acquis*) to Article 23 02 01 (*Delivery of rapid, effective and needs-based humanitarian aid and food aid*), as recorded in document 14585/17.

2. The transfer is being proposed in order to provide assistance to vulnerable Syrian refugees in Syria and neighbouring countries.
3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 21 November 2017.

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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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 33/2017 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2017.

(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).