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Subject:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Adoption of the Council's position on draft amending budget No 6 to the general budget for 2017: Reduction of payment and commitment appropriations in line with updated forecasts of expenditure and update of revenue (own resources and fines)– Information to national Parliaments in the context of draft amending budget No 6 to the general budget for 2017= <i>Initiation of written procedure</i>

On 22 November 2017, the Permanent Representatives Committee reached an agreement on the Council's position on draft amending budget (DAB) No 6 to the general budget for 2017, as well as on the use of the written procedure for its adoption by the Council.

Would you therefore please state whether you agree to confirm the agreement on DAB No 6/2017 and consequently:

- adopt the Council's position on DAB No 6/2017 as recorded in document 14273/2017;
- instruct the Presidency, assisted by the General Secretariat of the Council, to forward the Council's position together with the explanatory memorandum to the European Parliament, in accordance with Article 314(3) TFEU, and approve the draft letter in Annex 2 to document 14273/17 to that effect;
- have the Council's position, as set out in Annex 1 to document 14273/17, published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*;
- agree, on the basis of Article 3(3) of its Rules of Procedure, to shorten the eight-week period for the information of national Parliaments laid down in Article 4 of Protocol No 1 on the role of national Parliaments in the European Union;
- approve the communication to be addressed to national Parliaments by the General Secretariat of the Council as recorded in the Annex to document 14274/1/17 REV 1 to that effect.

Please answer "YES", "NO" or "ABSTAIN" to this question.

Any unilateral statements should be made separately.

Replies must reach the General Secretariat of the Council **by 12:00 on Monday 27 November 2017**. They may be faxed to +32.2-281.92.98, for the attention of Ms Rita Gomes Pires, or sent by e-mail to ritasofia.gomespires@consilium.europa.eu and karen.geeraert@consilium.europa.eu.