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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 16/2018 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2018

1. On 19 June 2018, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 16/2018.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 20 million from Article 40 02 42 (*Emergency aid reserve*) in commitment and payment appropriations to Article 23 02 01 (*Delivery of rapid, effective and needs-based humanitarian aid and food assistance*), as recorded in document 10279/18.

2. The transfer is being proposed in order to provide humanitarian assistance to address the sudden peak in returnees, internally displaced and war affected people in Afghanistan and to support the repatriation process of Afghan refugees for an amount of EUR 20 million in both commitment and payment appropriations.

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 21 June 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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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 16/2018 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).