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#### COVER NOTE

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From:	Mr Günther OETTINGER, Member of the European Commission
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To:	Mr Hartwig LÖGER, President of the Council of the European Union
Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 23/2018 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2018

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Delegations will find attached Commission document DEC 23/2018.

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GENERAL BUDGET - 2018  
SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES: 02, 12

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° **DEC 23/2018**

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**FROM**

**CHAPTER** - 0203 Internal market for goods and services

ARTICLE - 02 03 03 European Chemicals Agency -- Chemicals legislation

Commitments	-1 065 600,00
Payments	-1 065 600,00

**TO**

**CHAPTER** - 1202 Financial services and capital markets

ARTICLE - 12 02 04 European Banking Authority (EBA)

Commitments	1 065 600,00
Payments	1 065 600,00

The EU contribution to the European Banking Authority (EBA) is proposed to be reinforced by EUR 1 million in commitment and payment appropriations in order to finance the relocation of the Authority to Paris. The source of reinforcement is the EU balancing contribution to the European Chemicals Agency - Chemicals legislation budget line.

## **I. DECREASE**

### **I.1**

#### **a) Heading**

**02 03 03 - European Chemicals Agency -- Chemicals legislation**

#### **b) Figure at 13/09/2018**

	<b>Commitments</b>	<b>Payments</b>
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	25 722 021,00	25 722 021,00
2 Transfers	0,00	0,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	25 722 021,00	25 722 021,00
4 Appropriations already used	12 861 010,50	0,00
<b>5 Appropriations available (3-4)</b>	<b>12 861 010,50</b>	<b>25 722 021,00</b>
<b>6 Decrease proposed</b>	<b>1 065 600,00</b>	<b>1 065 600,00</b>
<b>7 Total appropriations up to year end (5-6)</b>	<b>11 795 410,50</b>	<b>24 656 421,00</b>
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriations in budget (7/1)	4,14 %	4,14 %
9 Decrease, as a percentage of the final appropriations for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 30(1)(b) of the Financial Regulation	n/a	n/a

#### **c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over from previous year)**

	<b>Commitments</b>	<b>Payments</b>
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 13/09/2018	0,00	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	n/a	n/a

#### **d) Detailed grounds for the transfer**

The European Chemicals Agency's fee income actually received from industry in the course of 2018 has been higher than expected. Therefore the balancing contribution to ECHA can be reduced by a total amount of EUR 6 million, both in commitment and payment appropriations. In the coming weeks the Commission will present further proposals on how to make use of the remainder of the appropriations originally planned for ECHA, either in a draft amending budget and/or a further budgetary authority transfer.

## **II. INCREASE**

### **II.1**

#### **a) Heading**

**12 02 04 - European Banking Authority (EBA)**

#### **b) Figure at 13/09/2018**

	<b>Commitments</b>	<b>Payments</b>
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	14 459 404,00	14 459 404,00
2 Transfers	0,00	0,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	14 459 404,00	14 459 404,00
4 Appropriations already used	14 459 404,00	14 459 404,00
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	0,00	0,00
6 Increase requested	1 065 600,00	1 065 600,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5+6)	1 065 600,00	1 065 600,00
8 Increase as percentage of appropriations in budget (7/1)	7,37 %	7,37 %
9 Increase, as a percentage of the final appropriations for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 30(1)(b) of the Financial Regulation	n/a	n/a

#### **c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over from previous year)**

	<b>Commitments</b>	<b>Payments</b>
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	1 601 491,56	1 601 491,56
2 Appropriations available on 13/09/2018	0,00	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	100,00 %	100,00 %

#### **d) Detailed grounds for the transfer**

On 29 March 2017 the United Kingdom notified to the European Council its intention to leave the Union, pursuant to Article 50 of the Treaty on European Union. On 20 November 2017, the 27 remaining Member States, in the margins of the General Affairs Council (Article 50), selected Paris, France, as the new seat for the European Banking Authority.

Given the uncertainty as regards EBA's future seat and the related relocating costs, the EU budget for 2018 as adopted on 30 November 2017 did not yet contain specific allocations to cover relocation costs in 2018.

Since then, EBA has obtained approval from Parliament and Council for its building project in accordance with Article 88 of its Financial Regulation. In parallel, the agency has assessed in more detail the relocation costs to be financed already in 2018, taking into account the incentives provided by the French government as the future host country.

The table below presents a breakdown of the relocation costs in 2018, which amount in total to EUR 2 664 000 in commitment and payment appropriations, to be financed according to the normal 40:60 funding key applicable to the EU budget contribution (40%) and the financing to be provided by the national supervisory authorities (60%).

<b>COST TYPE</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>
IT costs ( data centre relocation and new equipment)	1 143 000 €
Furniture	384 000 €
Professional services for office selection and fit-out	375 000 €
Interim staff	551 000 €
Missions	114 000 €
Legal services	97 000 €
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2 664 000 €</b>

Swift approval of this transfer will enable EBA to take the necessary steps to ensure that the agency will effectively be operational in Paris as from the date of relocation.