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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Transfer of appropriations No DEC 1/2018 within Section VI - European Economic and Social Committee - of the general budget for 2018

1. On 25 October 2018, <u>the European Economic and Social Committee</u> submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 1/2018.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer a global amount of EUR 575 000 from items 1 2 2 0 (*Allowances for staff retired or placed on leave*), 1 4 0 4 (*Graduate traineeships, grants and exchanges of officials*), 1 4 0 8 (*Entitlements on entering, transfer and leaving the service*) and 1 4 2 0 (*Supplementary services for the translation service*) to item 2 0 0 7 (*Fitting-out of premises*).

 The European Economic and Social Committee proposes to transfer unused appropriations of its 2018 budget to allow the financing of building projects in view of increased security needs, ageing infrastructure, and compliance with legal obligations, in particular in relation to environmental rules.

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- 3. The <u>Budget Committee</u> examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 31 October 2018.
- 4. Following the 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 European Economic and Social Committee

copy: President of the European Parliament

Sir,

(Complimentary close).

In accordance with Article 27(4) of the Financial Regulation¹, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 1/2018 within Section VI - European Economic and Social Committee - of the general budget for 2018.

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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).