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#### 'A' ITEM NOTE

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From: General Secretariat of the Council  
To: Council

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Subject: Draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 516/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council, as regards the re-commitment of the remaining amounts committed to support the implementation of the Council Decisions (EU) 2015/1523 and (EU) 2015/1601 or the allocation thereof to other actions under the national programmes **(first reading)**

- Adoption of the legislative act
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#### Council Declaration

The Council declares that its agreement on the re-commitment or transfer of the remaining amounts under the Asylum, Migration and Integration fund national programmes, which exceptionally involves an extension of the de-commitment period and the re-commitment of amounts, is due to the very particular and exceptional circumstances regarding the implementation of relocation decisions and will not constitute a precedent as it is limited to this specific case concerning AMIF.

### **Statement by Hungary**

Tackling the migration problem at its core requires a new approach as set out by the June 2018 Conclusions of the European Council in order to definitively break the business model of the smugglers, eliminate the incentives to embark on perilous journeys and stem the illegal inflow of migrants.

### **Statement by Finland**

Finland would like to declare that the Council Decisions (EU) 2015/1523 and (EU) 2015/1601 required actions in the field of relocation, and that the funding from Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF) was originally allocated for the implementation of these Decisions. Finland regrets that the original purposes of the Council decisions were not respected by all Member States.

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