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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	7305/19
Subject:	Transfer of appropriations No DEC 05/2019 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2019

1. On 7 March 2019, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 05/2019.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 5 000 000 in commitment appropriations from Article 19 05 01 (*Cooperation with third countries to advance and promote Union and mutual interests*) to Article 21 02 06 (*Cooperation with South Africa*), as recorded in document 7305/19.

2. The transfer is being proposed to fulfil the political commitment made in Annex X of the South Africa-EU Trade Development and Cooperation Agreement, in its updated version, to provide assistance of - in total - EUR 15 million for the restructuring of the South African wines and spirits sector and, with this transfer in particular, for the marketing and distribution of South African wines and spirits products.

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 18 March 2019.
 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 31(6) of the Financial Regulation of 18 July 2018¹, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 05/2019 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2019.

(Complimentary close).

¹ Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014 and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).