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## 'I' ITEM NOTE

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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
No. Cion doc.:	9339/19 (COM(2019) 320 final)
Subject:	Council position on draft amending budget No 2 to the general budget for 2019: Reinforcement of key programmes for EU competitiveness: Horizon 2020 and Erasmus+ – <i>Adoption</i>

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1. On 15 May 2019<sup>1</sup>, the Commission submitted to the Council draft amending budget (DAB) No 2 to the general budget for 2019 regarding the reinforcement of the Horizon 2020 and Erasmus+ programmes as agreed by the European Parliament and the Council in a joint statement in the context of the agreement on the budget for 2019<sup>2</sup>.

The objective of this proposal is to reinforce:

- Item 08 02 01 02 (*Strengthening research in future and emerging technologies*) with EUR 45. million in c/a;
- Item 08 02 03 04 (*Achieving a European transport system that is resource-efficient, environmentally friendly, safe and seamless*) with EUR 34.6 million in c/a; and
- Item 15 02 01 01 (*Promoting excellence and cooperation in the European education and training area and its relevance to the labour market*) with EUR 20 million in c/a.

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<sup>1</sup> All language versions were available on 27 May 2019.

<sup>2</sup> Doc. 15205/18, Annex 1, Point 2.5. Joint statement by the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on the reinforcement of sub-heading 1a through an amending budget.

2. The Budget Committee examined DAB No 2/2019 at its meetings on 24 May and 5 July 2019, and was able to accept it without any changes.
3. At the close of its examination, the Budget Committee agreed to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee:
  - advises the Council to:
    - adopt the Council's position on DAB No 2/2019 as set out in point 2;
    - instruct the Presidency to prepare the budgetary documents to be sent to the European Parliament and to approve the draft letter in Annex 2 to that effect; and
    - have the Council's position published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* as set out in Annex 1.
  - agrees, by unanimity, to use the written procedure for this purpose.

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**COUNCIL DECISION**

**adopting the Council's position on draft amending budget No 2 of the European Union for the financial year 2019**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 314 thereof, in conjunction with the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 106a thereof,

Having regard to 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) No 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<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 44 thereof,

Whereas:

- the Union's budget for the financial year 2019 was definitively adopted on 12 December 2018<sup>2</sup>,
- on 15 May 2019, the Commission submitted a proposal containing draft amending budget No 2 to the general budget for the financial year 2019,

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 67, 7.3.2019, p. 1.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Sole Article*

The Council's position on draft amending budget No 2 of the European Union for the financial year 2019 was adopted on 3 September 2019.

The full text can be accessed for consultation or downloading on the Council's website:

<http://www.consilium.europa.eu/>.

Done at Brussels, on 3 September 2019.

*For the Council  
The President*

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DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council  
to : President of the European Parliament

Sir,

I am forwarding under separate cover the Council's position on draft amending budget No 2 for the financial year 2019, adopted by the Council on 3 September 2019.

(Complimentary close).

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