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GENERAL BUDGET - 2022 SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES: 14, 15

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° DEC 17/2022

FROM

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CHAPTER - 1402 Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument Global Europe (NDICI Global Europe) ITEM - 14 02 02 10 Election observation missions Human Rights and	Commitments	-15 000 000,00
Democracy		
CHAPTER - 1420 Pilot projects, preparatory actions, prerogatives and other actions		
ITEM - 14 20 03 01 Macro-financial assistance (MFA) grants	Commitments	-19 500 000,00
ITEM - 14 20 03 06 International organisations and agreements	Commitments	-1 165 803,00
CHAPTER - 1502 Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA III)		
ITEM - 15 02 02 01 Preparation for accession	Commitments	-8 000 000,00
<u>TO</u>		
CHAPTER - 1402 Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument Global Europe (NDICI Global Europe)		
ITEM - 14 02 01 11 Eastern neighbourhood	Commitments	43 665 803,00

I. DECREASE

1.1

a) Heading

14 02 02 10 - Election observation missions -- Human Rights and Democracy

b) Figures at 23/09/2022

	Commitments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	51 949 241,00
2 Transfers	0,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	51 949 241,00
4 Appropriations already used	27 164 691,00
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	24 784 550,00
6 Decrease proposed	15 000 000,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5-6)	9 784 550,00
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	28,87 %
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

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

	Commitments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 23/09/2022	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the decrease

Due to the cumulative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Election Observation Missions operations and the fact that several missions planned for 2022 did not proceed (Angola, Brazil and Guinea), this budget line can make available an amount of EUR 15 million in commitments appropriations for other needs in heading 6.

<u>l.2</u>

a) Heading

14 20 03 01 - Macro-financial assistance (MFA) grants

b) Figures at 23/09/2022

	Commitments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	50 000 000,00
2 Transfers	0,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	50 000 000,00
4 Appropriations already used	30 000 000,00
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	20 000 000,00
6 Decrease proposed	19 500 000,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5-6)	500 000,00
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	39,00 %
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

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

	Commitments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 23/09/2022	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the decrease

There are no new Macro-Financial Assistance operations with a grant component planned for this year. Therefore, EUR 19,5 million in commitment appropriations can be made available for other needs in heading 6.

<u>I.3</u>

a) Heading

14 20 03 06 - International organisations and agreements

b) Figures at 23/09/2022

	Commitments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	22 171 135,00
2 Transfers	-717 000,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	21 454 135,00
4 Appropriations already used	19 813 010,10
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	1 641 124,90
6 Decrease proposed	1 165 803,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5-6)	475 321,90
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	5,26 %
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

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

	Commitments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 23/09/2022	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the decrease

All contributions related to international conventions, organisations and agreements due from this budget line have been already paid. Some appropriations remain available due to exchange rate fluctuations on membership fees etc. Therefore, an amount of EUR 1,2 million in commitment appropriations can be made available for other needs in heading 6.

<u>I.4</u>

a) Heading

15 02 02 01 - Preparation for accession

b) Figures at 23/09/2022

	Commitments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	1 004 237 847,00
2 Transfers	-67 507 704,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	936 730 143,00
4 Appropriations already used	0,00
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	936 730 143,00
6 Decrease proposed	8 000 000,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5-6)	928 730 143,00
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	0,80 %
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

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

	Commitments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	8 296,93
2 Appropriations available on 23/09/2022	30 968 296,93
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	-373 150,07 %

d) Detailed grounds for the decrease

Additional commitment appropriations for an amount of EUR 8 million arising from recoveries collected under old preaccession projects are available within the instrument and can be used for current planned actions for the same purpose. Therefore, a commensurate amount of voted appropriations can be made available for other needs in heading 6.

II. INCREASE

II.1

a) Heading

14 02 01 11 - Eastern neighbourhood

b) Figures at 23/09/2022

	Commitments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	709 703 445,00
2 Transfers	362 232 678,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	1 071 936 123,00
4 Appropriations already used	786 682 652,00
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	285 253 471,00
6 Increase requested	43 665 803,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5+6)	328 919 274,00
8 Increase as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	6,15 %
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

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

	Commitments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 23/09/2022	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the increase

The Commission proposes to transfer EUR 43,7 million in commitment appropriations to the NDICI-GE Eastern Neighbourhood budget line in order to provide additional support for Ukraine to cater for needs resulting from the Ukraine / Russia war. The funding will be used for the urgent reconstruction and rehabilitation of damaged schools according to the Ukrainian Fast Recovery Plan for schools.