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#### 'I/A' ITEM NOTE

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From: Budget Committee  
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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Subject: Council recommendations on the discharge to be given to the joint undertakings in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 2021

- *Adoption*
- *Approval of a letter*

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1. In accordance with the relevant establishing acts and, as regards the European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy, also in accordance with Article 70(4) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046<sup>1</sup>, the Council is required to draw up recommendations to the European Parliament on a discharge to be given to the joint undertakings.

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

2. At its meetings on 13 and 19 January, and 2 February 2023, the Budget Committee examined the nine specific annual reports<sup>2</sup> of the European Court of Auditors related to joint undertakings, and reached an agreement on the draft texts as set out in the Addendum.
  3. The Budget Committee advises the Permanent Representatives Committee to suggest that the Council:
    - adopt the draft recommendations as set out in the Addendum to this note; and
    - arrange for them to be forwarded to the European Parliament and approve the draft letter in the Annex to that effect.
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<sup>2</sup> OJ C 433, 15.11.2022, p. 52.

DRAFT LETTER

from: President of the Council

to: President of the European Parliament

Dear President,

In accordance with the relevant establishing acts and, as regards the European Joint Undertaking for ITER and the Development of Fusion Energy, also in accordance with Article 70(4) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046<sup>1</sup>, I am forwarding under separate cover<sup>2</sup> the Council recommendations of 14 March 2023 on the discharge to be given to the joint undertakings in respect of the implementation of the budget for the financial year 2021.

[Complimentary close]

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<sup>2</sup> Doc. 6252/23 + ADD 1.