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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	8216/23 (COM(2023) 250 final)
Subject:	Council position on draft amending budget No 2 to the general budget for 2023: Entering the surplus of the financial year 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none">– <i>Adoption</i>– <i>Approval of a letter</i>

1. On 12 April 2023, the Commission submitted to the Council draft amending budget (DAB) No 2 to the general budget for 2023 concerning the budgeting of the surplus resulting from the implementation of the budget year 2022¹.

The implementation of the financial year 2022 shows a *surplus* of EUR 2 519.01 million, which results from

- (a) a positive outturn in the *revenue part of the budget* (+EUR 2 198.44 million) of which:

Title 1 (Own resources): +EUR 1 830.26 million

Title 2 (Surpluses, balances and adjustments): +EUR 246.89 million

¹ All language versions were available on 24 April 2023.

Title 3 (Administrative revenue):	+EUR 170.32 million
Title 4 (Financial revenue, default interest and fines):	+EUR 141.44 million
Title 6 (Revenue, contributions and refunds related to Union policies):	-EUR 190.47 million

(b) an under-implementation on the expenditure side of the budget (-EUR 320.57 million), notably of:

- appropriations authorised in the budget 2022 (Commission and other institutions): -EUR 286.95 million
- cancellation of appropriations carried over from previous years (Commission and other institutions): -EUR 130.19 million
- exchange rate variations on expenditure: +EUR 96.57 million

The budgeting of this surplus will diminish accordingly in line with the global contribution of the Member States to the financing of the EU budget in 2023.

2. The Budget Committee examined DAB No 2/2022 at its meeting on 18 April 2023, and was able to accept it without any changes.
3. At the close of its examination, the Budget Committee agreed, by a qualified majority, to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee advise the Council to:
 - adopt the Council’s position on DAB No 2/2023 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 the annex to that effect; and
 - have the Council Decision adopting the Council’s position on draft amending budget No 2 of the European Union for the financial year 2023, as set out in 9681/23, published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

DRAFT LETTER

from : Chair of the Permanent Representatives Committee

to : President of the European Parliament

Dear Ms Metsola,

I am forwarding under separate cover the Council's position on draft amending budget No 2 for the financial year 2023, adopted by the Council on 19 June 2023.

(Complimentary close).
