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From:	Mr Johannes HAHN, Member of the European Commission
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To:	Ms Alexia BERTRAND, President of the Council of the European Union
Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 04/2024 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2024

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Delegations will find attached Commission document DEC 04/2024.

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GENERAL BUDGET - 2024  
SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES: 06, 13

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° DEC 04/2024

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**FROM**

CHAPTER - 0606 EU4Health Programme		
ARTICLE - 06 06 01 EU4Health Programme	Payments	-67 000 000,00

**TO**

CHAPTER - 1304 Military mobility		
ARTICLE - 13 04 01 Military mobility	Payments	67 000 000,00

## **I. DECREASE**

### **I.1**

#### **a) Heading**

**06 06 01 - EU4Health Programme**

#### **b) Figures at 05/03/2024**

	<b>Payments</b>
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	652 000 000,00
2 Transfers	0,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	652 000 000,00
4 Appropriations already used	15 521 128,30
<b>5 Appropriations available (3-4)</b>	<b>636 478 871,70</b>
<b>6 Decrease proposed</b>	<b>67 000 000,00</b>
<b>7 Total appropriations up to year end (5-6)</b>	<b>569 478 871,70</b>
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	10,28 %
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)**

	<b>Payments</b>
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	67 020,57
2 Appropriations available on 05/03/2024	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	100,00 %

#### **d) Detailed grounds for the decrease**

In the context of the blending under the Thematic Innovation financial product implemented by the European Investment Bank under the InvestEU Fund, the Commission contributed to the Research, Innovation and Digitalisation Window financial product for an amount of EUR 100 million from the 2023 annual Work programme of EU4Health.

At the time of the preparation of the Draft Budget 2024, an amount of EUR 95 million was foreseen to be paid in 2024 to the Common Provisioning Fund for this action, and it was included in the Draft Budget accordingly. However, this payment could be advanced and was implemented at the end of 2023.

Therefore, the amount of EUR 67 million needed for the reinforcement of the military mobility strand of the CEF Transport programme can be made available from the payment appropriations foreseen for EU4Health in 2024, without having any consequence on the implementation of the latter. The year-end needs for EU4Health will be reassessed during the global transfer procedure in September.

## **II. INCREASE**

### **II.1**

#### **a) Heading**

##### **13 04 01 - Military mobility**

#### **b) Figures at 05/03/2024**

	<b>Payments</b>
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	260 000 000,00
2 Transfers	0,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	260 000 000,00
4 Appropriations already used	528 092,81
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	259 471 907,19
6 Increase requested	67 000 000,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5+6)	326 471 907,19
8 Increase as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	25,77 %
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)**

	<b>Payments</b>
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 05/03/2024	0,00
3 Implementation rate $[(1-2)/1]$	n/a

#### **d) Detailed grounds for the increase**

The Military Mobility strand of the CEF Transport programme (CEF-MM) issued in 2023 its last call under the current MFF, increased from EUR 300 million in 2021 to almost EUR 800 million in 2023. This last call frontloaded all the remaining available appropriations with a view to responding to the large demand and oversubscription of this CEF strand. The initial estimations for the level of pre-financing payments assumed an average rate of 32%, based on the 2021 call for proposal, which was the only one completed at the time of estimating the needs for the 2023 call. The actions selected under the 2023 call for proposals are currently at the stage of Grant Agreement Preparation and the pre-financing rate stands higher at 39%, which corresponds to the shorter duration of the selected projects.

The available payment appropriations for CEF-MM in the voted budget 2024 (EUR 260 million) are not sufficient to cover subsequent needs, which amount to a total of EUR 327 million. The EUR 67 million gap is proposed to be covered by a transfer from EU4Health. These additional payment appropriations are needed in May and June 2024, when the grant agreements are expected to be signed, and therefore this reinforcement cannot wait until the Global Transfer exercise in September.