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Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 06/2020 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2020

Delegations will find attached Commission document DEC 06/2020.

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

BRUSSELS, 20/04/2020

GENERAL BUDGET - 2020
SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES: 11, 40

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° **DEC 06/2020**

FROM

CHAPTER - 4002 Reserves for financial interventions

ARTICLE - 40 02 41 Differentiated appropriations	Commitments	-7 840 000,00
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TO

CHAPTER - 1103 Compulsory contributions to Regional Fisheries Management Organisations and other International Organisations and Sustainable Fisheries Agreements

ARTICLE - 11 03 01 Establishing a governance framework for fishing activities carried out by Union fishing vessels in third country waters	Commitments	7 840 000,00
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I. DECREASE

I.1

a) Heading

40 02 41 - Differentiated appropriations

b) Figures at 07/04/2020

	Commitments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	68 846 000,00
2 Transfers	0,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	68 846 000,00
4 Appropriations already used	0,00
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	68 846 000,00
6 Decrease proposed	7 840 000,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5-6)	61 006 000,00
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	11,39 %
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 07/04/2020	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the decrease

In line with point 19 of the Inter-Institutional Agreement on the 2014-2020 Multiannual Financial Framework (2013/C 373/01), the available commitment appropriations (EUR 7,8 million) can be transferred from the reserve 40 02 41 to the operational budget line 11 03 01 to cover the needs resulting from legal obligations related to the implementation of the EU Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements (SFPAs).

II. INCREASE

II.1

a) Heading

11 03 01 - Establishing a governance framework for fishing activities carried out by Union fishing vessels in third country waters

b) Figures at 07/04/2020

	Commitments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	74 756 978,00
2 Transfers	-152 000,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	74 604 978,00
4 Appropriations already used	73 451 828,00
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	1 153 150,00
6 Increase requested	7 840 000,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5+6)	8 993 150,00
8 Increase as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	10,49 %
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 07/04/2020	0,00
3 Implementation rate $[(1-2)/1]$	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the increase

The increase of EUR 7,8 million in commitment appropriations is needed to implement the financial contributions for the year 2020 for the following Protocols implementing EU Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements (SFPAs):

- the renewed Protocol for the SFPA between the EU and the Republic of Senegal (EUR 1,7 million). The Council adopted the decision on provisional application on 14 November (Council Decision (EU) 2019/1925, OJ L 299, 20.11.2019) and the Protocol entered into force on 20 November 2019;
- the renewed Protocol for the SFPA between the EU and the Republic of Sao Tomé and Príncipe (EUR 0,8 million). The Council adopted the decision on provisional application on 24 October (Council Decision (EU) 2019/2218, OJ L 333, 27.12.2019) and the Protocol entered into force on 18 December 2019;
- the renewed Protocol for the SFPA between the EU and the Republic of Seychelles (EUR 5,3 million). The Council adopted the decision on provisional application on 20 February (Council Decision (EU) 2020/272, OJ L 60, 28.2.2020) and the Protocol entered into force on 24 February 2020.

At this stage, the payment appropriations on the operational line are deemed sufficient to cover the needs for this year. In case of additional payment needs, the reinforcement from the reserve line may be requested at a later stage.