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Delegations will find attached Commission document DEC 08/2024.

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GENERAL BUDGET - 2024
SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES: 16, 30

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° **DEC 08/2024**

FROM

CHAPTER - 3004 Solidarity mechanisms (special instruments)

ITEM - 30 04 01 01 European Solidarity Reserve	Commitments	-796 760 300,00
	Payments	-796 760 300,00

TO

CHAPTER - 1602 Mobilisation of solidarity mechanisms (special instruments)

ITEM - 16 02 01 01 Assistance to Member States in relation to events eligible under the European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF)	Commitments	796 760 300,00
	Payments	796 760 300,00

I. DECREASE

I.1

a) Heading

30 04 01 01 - European Solidarity Reserve

b) Figures at 02/07/2024

	Commitments	Payments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	1 094 181 018,00	1 094 181 018,00
2 Transfers	0,00	0,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	1 094 181 018,00	1 094 181 018,00
4 Appropriations already used	0,00	0,00
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	1 094 181 018,00	1 094 181 018,00
6 Decrease proposed	796 760 300,00	796 760 300,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5-6)	297 420 718,00	297 420 718,00
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	72,82 %	72,82 %
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	n/a

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

	Commitments	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 02/07/2024	0,00	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	n/a	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the decrease

Under Article 9(1)(a) of Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2093 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027, as amended by Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/765 of 29 February 2024, the "European Solidarity Reserve" is intended to provide "assistance to respond to emergency situations resulting from major disasters that are covered by the European Union Solidarity Fund, the objectives and scope of which are set out in Council Regulation (EC) No 2012/2002".

Point 10 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 16 December 2020 between the European Parliament, the Council of the European Union and the European Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation on budgetary matters and on sound financial management, as well as on new own resources, including a roadmap towards the introduction of new own resources (IIA), lays down the modalities for the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF) in the context of the Solidarity and Emergency Aid Reserve (SEAR).

II. INCREASE

II.1

a) Heading

16 02 01 01 - Assistance to Member States in relation to events eligible under the European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF)

b) Figures at 02/07/2024

	Commitments	Payments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	50 000 000,00	50 000 000,00
2 Transfers	0,00	0,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	50 000 000,00	50 000 000,00
4 Appropriations already used	37 073 004,00	37 073 004,00
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	12 926 996,00	12 926 996,00
6 Increase requested	796 760 300,00	796 760 300,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5+6)	809 687 296,00	809 687 296,00
8 Increase as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	1 593,52 %	1 593,52 %
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	n/a

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

	Commitments	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 02/07/2024	0,00	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	n/a	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the increase

The transfer of EUR 796 760 300 is necessary in order to cover the payment needs arising from the Commission's proposal to mobilise financial contribution from the European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF) for the applications in response to natural disasters which occurred in 2023 and presented by Italy (floods in the Emilia-Romagna and Tuscany regions), Slovenia, Austria, Greece and France. The total amount of the EUSF support for the above-mentioned Member States is EUR 1 028 541 689.

In addition to the appropriations to be transferred from the European Solidarity Reserve line, this mobilisation is proposed to be financed through the use of the amount of EUR 37 073 004 in commitment and payment appropriations already inscribed in the General Budget 2024 and EUR 194 708 385 from appropriations of the General Budget 2023, which have already been paid as advances, in accordance with Article 4a of the EUSF Regulation.

ANNEX

COMMISSION TRANSFER PROPOSALS RELATED TO THE EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY RESERVE IN 2024

The table below shows the transfer proposals transmitted to the Budgetary Authority to date during 2024, which relate to the European Solidarity Reserve (ESR), and the remaining amount under the ESR reserve following the approval of these proposals.

Content	TOTAL	European Solidarity Reserve	General Budget 2024 - EUSF advances (Article 4a EUSF Regulation)
General Budget 2024 - Initial appropriations	1 144 181 018	1 094 181 018	50 000 000
<i>Out of which, end of year cushion</i>	<i>286 045 255</i>		
<i>Mobilisation of the EUSF to provide assistance to Italy, Slovenia, Austria, Greece and France, COM(2024) 325 (this mobilisation also uses EUR 194 708 385 from appropriations of the EU general budget 2023, already paid as advances, in accordance with Article 4a of the EUSF Regulation)</i>	1 028 541 689	796 760 300	37 073 004
<i>DEC accompanying Mobilisation COM(2024) 325 – DEC 08/2024</i>		-796 760 300	
Remainder		297 420 718	12 926 996
<i>Out of which, end of year cushion (25%)</i>		<i>286 045 255</i>	