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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
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Subject:	Transfer of appropriations No DEC 19/2020 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2020

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1. On 12 October 2020, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 19/2020.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer non-differentiated appropriations for a total amount of EUR 23 million between budget lines of the so-called "global envelope" (XX 01 02 01 - *External personnel* and XX 01 02 11 - *Other management expenditure*), as well as to *expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the Commission* (budget line XX 01 03 01), as recorded in document 11681/20.

2. The aim of this transfer is to match the available appropriations to the priority needs of each Directorate General through an exceptional second clearing exercise in order to ensure the optimal implementation of the budget, in the light of the budgetary consequences and uncertainties in relation with the Covid-19 pandemic.

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 19 October 2020 and was able to approve it.
4. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited to:
  - confirm its agreement on the proposed transfer of appropriations as set out in document 11681/20; and
  - decide, in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure and Article 1 of Council Decision 2020/430<sup>1</sup>, that the Council uses the written procedure for its approval.

The General Secretariat of the Council will inform the Commission, as well as the European Parliament of the Council's decision.

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<sup>1</sup> Council Decision (EU) 2020/430 of 23 March 2020 on a temporary derogation from the Council's Rules of Procedure in view of the travel difficulties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic in the Union (OJ L 88 I, 24.3.2020, p. 1).