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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
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Subject:	Transfer of appropriations No DEC 20/2020 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2020

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1. On 14 October 2020, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 20/2020.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer a total amount of EUR 89 510 800 in commitment appropriations (c/a) and EUR 11 million in payment appropriations (p/a) from Articles 07 02 04 (*Contribution to multilateral and international environment agreements*), 05 06 01 (*International agricultural agreements*), 14 02 02 (*Membership of international organisations in the field of customs*) and 19 04 01 (*Improving the reliability of electoral processes, in particular by means of election observation missions*), and Items 05 05 03 92 (*Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union acquis*), 13 05 63 02 (*Cross-border cooperation (CBC) - contribution from Heading 4*), 19 03 01 04 (*Other crisis management measures and operations*) and 23 03 02 02 (*Rapid and efficient emergency response interventions in the event of major disasters in third countries*) to Items 22 02 04 01 (*Multi-country programmes, regional integration and territorial cooperation*) and 22 04 01 03 (*Mediterranean countries - confidence building, security and the prevention and settlement of conflict*), as recorded in document 11883/20.

2. The purpose of this transfer is (i) to provide EUR 25 million in c/a and EUR 11 million in p/a via a grant to the International Organisation for Migration in order to continue managing reception centres in cooperation with international and humanitarian partners for refugees in Bosnia and Herzegovina throughout the winter, and (ii) to reinforce the European Neighbourhood Instrument with EUR 64.5 million in c/a for the EU's response to the Beirut explosion of 4 August 2020, specifically for protecting the most vulnerable in sectors such as social protection, health and livelihoods.
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 11883/20; 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).