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Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 23/2020 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2020
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Delegations will find attached Commission document DEC 23/2020.

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

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GENERAL BUDGET - 2020
SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES: 17, 18

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° **DEC 23/2020**

FROM

CHAPTER - 1703 Public health

ARTICLE - 17 03 01 Third programme for the Union's action in the field of health
(2014-2020)

Commitments

-6 800 000,00

TO

CHAPTER - 1804 Fostering European citizenship

ITEM - 18 04 01 01 Europe for citizens -- Strengthening remembrance and
enhancing capacity for civic participation at the Union level

Commitments

6 800 000,00

I. DECREASE

I.1

a) Heading

17 03 01 - Third programme for the Union's action in the field of health (2014-2020)

b) Figures at 21/10/2020

	Commitments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	63 624 000,00
2 Transfers	27 579 800,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	91 203 800,00
4 Appropriations already used	46 404 078,35
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	44 799 721,65
6 Decrease proposed	6 800 000,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5-6)	37 999 721,65
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	10,69 %
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	50 659,14
2 Appropriations available on 21/10/2020	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	100,00 %

d) Detailed grounds for the decrease

The budget line was reinforced early April by an autonomous transfer from chapter 17 04 - Food and feed safety, animal health, animal welfare and plant health, with the intention to cover urgent Covid-19 related measures at a moment when the Emergency Support Instrument (ESI) was not yet operational. These measures were eventually financed under ESI, as soon as it became operational. Therefore, an amount of EUR 6,8 million in commitment appropriations can be made available to reinforce the Citizens programmes.

II. INCREASE

II.1

a) Heading

18 04 01 01 - Europe for citizens -- Strengthening remembrance and enhancing capacity for civic participation at the Union level

b) Figures at 21/10/2020

	Commitments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	26 959 000,00
2 Transfers	0,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	26 959 000,00
4 Appropriations already used	17 457 796,01
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	9 501 203,99
6 Increase requested	6 800 000,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5+6)	16 301 203,99
8 Increase as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	25,22 %
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	14 306,04
2 Appropriations available on 21/10/2020	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	100,00 %

d) Detailed grounds for the increase

The Framework Partnership Agreements (FPAs) under the Rights, Equality and Citizenship programme 2014-2020 last until the end of 2021, while those under the Europe for Citizens programme 2014-2020 finish at the end of 2020. Hence, there is a one-year gap between the two programmes.

The Commission proposes to bridge this gap in view of the creation of the Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values programme, which is the merger of the two previous programmes in the coming Multiannual Financial Framework. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 6,8 million in commitment appropriations is needed to cover the bridging gap for about 20 FPAs.