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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	11809/21
Subject:	Transfer of appropriations No DEC 17/2021 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2021

1. On 14 September 2021, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 17/2021, in accordance with Article 32(2) of the Financial Regulation¹.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 30 million in both commitment and payment appropriations from Article 30 04 01 (*Solidarity and emergency aid reserve (SEAR)*) to Article 14 03 01 (*Humanitarian aid*), as recorded in document 11809/21.

¹ Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU), 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014 and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

2. The transfer is being proposed in order to supplement the EUR 18 million already programmed for this crisis for 2021. The additional funding of EUR 30 million will be used for the provision of multi-sectoral response including health services and food to previously inaccessible areas within Tigray, who have been cut from external assistance since November 2020.

Given the urgent circumstances, the three weeks period for approval shall apply, in accordance with Article 31(4) of the Financial Regulation.

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 16 September 2021.
4. Following that examination, the Budget Committee agreed, by a qualified majority, to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee advise the Council to approve:
 - the proposed transfer of appropriations, as set out in document 11809/21, and
 - the draft letter in the ANNEX to that effect.

DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council
to : President of the European Parliament
copy : President of the Commission

Sir,

In accordance with Articles 32(2) and 31(4) of the Financial Regulation of 18 July 2018¹, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 17/2021 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2021.

(Complimentary close).

¹ Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).