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From:	Permanent Representatives Committee
To:	Council
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No. Cion doc.:	10627/21 (COM(2021) 460 final)
Subject:	Council position on draft amending budget No 5 to the general budget for 2021: Humanitarian support to refugees in Turkey – <i>Adoption</i>

1. On 9 July 2021, the Commission submitted to the Council draft amending budget (DAB) No 5 to the general budget for 2021 concerning humanitarian support to refugees in Turkey.

The objective of the proposal is to partly finance the extension, from March 2022 until the beginning of 2023, of the Emergency Social Safety Net, a humanitarian programme providing multi-purpose cash assistance to refugees to cover their basic needs. The monthly cash transfers reach monthly over 1.8 million refugees, the most vulnerable of the around 3.7 million refugees in Turkey as a consequence of the Syria crisis.

Under the MFF heading 6 (Neighbourhood and the World), EUR 149.6 million in commitment appropriations are requested to ensure the continuation of this humanitarian support to refugees in Turkey. No additional payment appropriations are requested for this purpose in 2021.

2. The Budget Committee examined DAB No 5/2021 at its meetings on 12 July, and 6 and 28 September and was able to accept it without any changes.
3. At its meeting on 29 September 2021, the Permanent Representatives Committee agreed to invite the Council to adopt the Council's position on DAB No 5/2021.
4. Taking into account the above, the Council is invited to:
 - adopt the Council's position on DAB No 5/2021 as set out in point 2;
 - instruct the Presidency to prepare the budgetary documents to be sent to the European Parliament and to approve the draft letter in the Annex to that effect;
 - have the Council Decision adopting the Council's position on draft amending budget No 5 of the European Union for the financial year 2021, as set out in document 12166/21, published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council

to : President of the European Parliament

Sir,

I am forwarding under separate cover the Council's position on draft amending budget No 5 for the financial year 2021, adopted by the Council on 5 October 2021.

(Complimentary close).
