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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	6419/25
Subject:	Transfer of appropriations No DEC 02/2025 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2025 – <i>Approval</i> – <i>Approval of a letter</i>

1. On 21 February 2025, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 02/2025, in accordance with Article 31(1) of the Financial Regulation¹.
2. As recorded in document 6419/25, the purpose of this proposal is to move an amount of EUR 100 million in commitment and payment appropriations from Item 30 04 01 01 (*European Solidarity Reserve*) to Item 16 02 01 01 (*Assistance to Member States in relation to events eligible under the European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF)*).

¹ Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (recast) (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj>).

Following the floods caused by the torrential rains that hit several areas of eastern Spain (DANA floods) in October 2024, Spain applied for assistance under the "major disaster" criterion of the EUSF Regulation and requested an advance payment. The transfer of EUR 100 000 000 from the European Solidarity Reserve will allow to award the advance payment to Spain while leaving on the budget line a total of EUR 52 263 419 to cover potential new applications for advances.

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 14 March 2025.
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 6419/25, and
 - the draft letter in the ANNEX to that effect.

DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council

to : President of the Commission

copy : President of the European Parliament

Madam,

In accordance with Article 31(6) of the Financial Regulation of 23 September 2024², I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 02/2025 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2025.

(Complimentary close).

² Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (recast) (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj>).