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To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Draft Draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the legal framework of the European Solidarity Corps and amending Regulation (EU) No 1288/2013, Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013 and Decision No 1313/2013/EU (First reading)
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JOINT STATEMENT OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL AND THE COMMISSION

Without prejudice to the powers of the budgetary authority, 80% of the budget for the implementation of the Programme in 2019 and 2020 should be made available through specified redeployments under Subheading 1a (Competiveness for growth and jobs) of the 2014-2020 Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) and redeployments from the Union Civil Protection Mechanism and the LIFE Programme. However, no further redeployments shall be made from the Erasmus+ Programme, in addition to the amount of 231 800 000 EUR referred to in the proposal from the Commission (COM (2017)0262).

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The remaining 20% of the budget for the implementation of the Programme in 2019 and 2020 should be drawn from the available margins under Subheading 1a of the 2014-2020 MFF.

There is a common understanding that the Commission will ensure that the necessary appropriations are made available through the normal annual budgetary procedure in a balanced and prudent way.

STATEMENT OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission confirms that the use of appropriations from technical assistance resources at the initiative of the Commission under the Common Provisions Regulation (in particular redeployments from the European Social Fund and from the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development) for the financing of the European Solidarity Corps in 2018 will not be used by the Commission as a precedent for the proposal on the European Solidarity Corps post 2020 (COM(2018)0440)).

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