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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	10766/16 FIN 413 (COM(2016) 310 final)
Subject:	Draft amending budget No 3 to the general budget for 2016: Security of the Institutions

1. On 30 June 2016, the Commission submitted to the Council draft amending budget (DAB) No 3 to the general budget for 2016 concerning additional commitment and payment appropriations necessary to cover increased security expenditure in almost all Institutions, and European Schools. The amount requested is EUR 15.8 million.

   This DAB also includes a modification to the establishment plan of the European Parliament with 35 additional posts (1 at AD 5 level and 34 at AST/SC 1 level) for the recruitment of security agents.

   This DAB results in an increase of non-differentiated expenditure in the 2016 budget under heading 5 (*Administration*). The necessary payment appropriations will be redeployed from the ITER operational line (item 32 05 01 02) under sub-heading 1a.

   The modification to the European Parliament's establishment plan amounts to EUR 0.2 million and is included in the overal amount mentioned above.

2. On 4 July and 20 September 2016, the Budget Committee examined the Commission proposal and was able to accept it without any changes.

3. At the close of its examination, the Budget Committee agreed, by a qualified majority[1], to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee advise the Council to:

   – adopt the Council's position on DAB No 3/2016 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 Annex 2 to that effect;

   – have the Council's position published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* as set out in Annex 1.

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[1] AT, SE and UK abstaining.

ANNEX 1

COUNCIL DECISION

adopting the Council's position on draft amending budget No 3 of the European Union for the financial year 2016

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 314 thereof, in conjunction with the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 106a thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002[1] and in particular Article 41 thereof,

Whereas:

– the Union's budget for the financial year 2016 was definitively adopted on 25 November 2015[2]

– on 30 June 2016, the Commission submitted a proposal containing draft amending budget No 3 to the general budget for the financial year 2016,

[1] OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 48, 24.2.2016, p. 1.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

The Council's position on draft amending budget No 3 of the European Union for the financial year 2016 was adopted on 11 October 2016.

The full text can be accessed for consultation or downloading on the Council's website: http://www.consilium.europa.eu/.

Done at Luxembourg, on 11 October 2016.

For the Council
The President

ANNEX 2

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 3 for the financial year 2016[1], adopted by the Council on 11 October 2016.

(Complimentary close).

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[1] Doc. 12600/16 BUDGET 27.