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### "I/A" ITEM NOTE

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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	8014/15 FIN 282 (COM(2015) 160 final)
Subject:	Draft amending budget No 3 to the general budget for 2015: Entering the surplus of the financial year 2014

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1. On 15 April 2015, the Commission submitted to the Council draft amending budget (DAB) No 3 to the general budget for 2015 concerning the budgeting of the surplus resulting from the implementation of the budget year 2014.

The implementation of the budget year 2014 shows a *surplus* of EUR 1 434 557 707.74 resulting from:

- a) an *over-registering in revenue* (+ EUR 1 183 million) divided by title as follows:

– Title 1 (Own resources):	+ EUR 479 million
– Title 3 (Surpluses, balances and adjustments):	- EUR 1 million
– Title 7 (Interest on late payments and fines):	+ EUR 634 million
– Other titles:	+ EUR 72 million

- b) an *under-spending of payment appropriations* (+ EUR 142 million), of which notably:
- appropriations authorised in the 2014 budget (Commission): + EUR 29 million
  - appropriations carried over from 2013 (Commission): + EUR 6 million
  - appropriations authorised in 2014 and carried over from 2013 (Other institutions): + EUR 101 million
- c) a *positive balance of monetary exchange* (+ EUR 110 million).

The budgeting of this surplus will diminish accordingly the global contribution of Member States to the financing of the EU budget.

2. On 21 May 2015, 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<sup>1</sup>, to suggest that the Permanent Representatives Committee advise the Council to:
  - adopt the Council's position on DAB No 3/2015 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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<sup>1</sup> UK abstaining.

**COUNCIL DECISION**

**adopting the Council's position on draft amending budget No 3 of the European Union for the financial year 2015**

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<sup>2</sup> and in particular Article 41 thereof,

Whereas:

- the Union's budget for the financial year 2015 was definitively adopted on 17 December 2014<sup>3</sup>,
- on 15 April 2015, the Commission submitted a proposal containing draft amending budget No 3 to the general budget for the financial year 2015,

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<sup>2</sup> OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

<sup>3</sup> OJ L 69, 13.3.2015, 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 2015 was adopted on 19 June 2015.

The full text can be accessed for consultation or downloading on the Council's website:

<http://www.consilium.europa.eu/>.

Done at Brussels, on 19 June 2015.

*For the Council  
The President*

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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 2015<sup>1</sup>, adopted by the Council on 19 June 2015.

(Complimentary close).

  

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<sup>1</sup> Doc. 9765/15 BUDGET 16.