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Subject: Adoption of the Council's positions on:
- draft amending budget No 2/2026: Update of revenue (own resources)
and adjustments to expenditure
- the draft general budget of the European Union for the financial year
2027
= *Initiation of written procedure*

Following the decision of the Permanent Representatives Committee Part 2 on 15 July 2026 to use the written procedure, please state whether you agree to:

- (1) (a) the adoption of **Council's position on draft amending budget No 2 to the general budget for 2026**, accepting the Commission proposal without any changes, as explained in document 11539/26, and having it published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, as set out in ANNEX 1 to document 11539/26 and

- (b) mandate the Presidency to forward the Council's position together with the explanatory memorandum to the European Parliament, in accordance with Article 314(3) TFEU, and to approve the draft letter set out in ANNEX 2 to document 11539/26 to that effect;
 - (c) the approval of the accompanying Council statement set out in document 11539/26 ADD 1.
- (2)
- (a) the adoption of **Council's position on the draft general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2027**, accepting the Council changes to the Commission proposal, as explained in document 11544/26 + ADD 1 + ADD 2, and having it published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, as set out in ANNEX 1 to document 11544/26;
 - (b) mandate the Presidency to forward the Council's position together with the explanatory memorandum to the European Parliament, in accordance with Article 314(3) TFEU, and to approve the draft letter set out in ANNEX 2 to document 11544/26 to that effect;
 - (c) the approval of the accompanying Council statements set out in document 11544/26 ADD 1.

For each question, please answer "YES", "NO" or "ABSTENTION".

Any unilateral statements should be made at the same time as answering the questions, except for those already made at Coreper.

Replies must reach the General Secretariat of the Council **on Friday 4 September 2026 by 12:00 (Brussels time) at the latest**. They should be sent by e-mail to grazia-mattea.targa@consilium.europa.eu, aimar.ferranguijarro@consilium.europa.eu, karen.geeraert@consilium.europa.eu and athanasios.gkoutlas@consilium.europa.eu.