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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Transfer of appropriations No DEC 17/2022 within Section III – Commission – of the general budget for 2022

1. On 5 October 2022, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 17/2022, in accordance with Article 31(1) of the Financial Regulation¹.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer a total amount of EUR 43.7 million in commitment appropriations (c/a) from Items 14 02 02 10 (*Election observation missions -- Human Rights and Democracy*), 14 20 03 01 (*Macro-financial assistance (MFA) grants*), 14 20 03 06 (*International organisations and agreements*) and 15 02 02 01 (*Preparation for accession*) to Item 14 02 01 11 (*Eastern neighbourhood*), as set out in document 13061/22.

¹ Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014 and Decision No 541/2014/EU, and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

2. The aim of the transfer is to reinforce the NDICI-GE Eastern Neighbourhood budget line in order to provide additional support for Ukraine to cater for needs resulting from the Russian aggression against Ukraine. The funding will be used for the urgent reconstruction and rehabilitation of 74 damaged schools according to the Ukrainian Fast Recovery Plan for schools.

Given the urgent circumstances, the three-week period for approval applies, in accordance with Article 31(4) of the Financial Regulation.

3. The Budget Committee examined the proposal for a transfer at its meetings on 5 and 11 October 2022.
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 13061/22; and
 - the draft letter in the ANNEX to this note.

DRAFT LETTER

from the: President of the Council
to the: President of the European Parliament
copy: President of the Commission

Dear President,

In accordance with Article 31(4) and (6) of the Financial Regulation of 18 July 2018¹, I hereby inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 17/2022 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2022.

(Complimentary close)

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