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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
No. Cion doc.:	13690/18
Subject:	Transfer of appropriations No DEC 29/2018 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2018

1. On 29 October 2018, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 29/2018.

The purpose of this proposal is to transfer in commitment appropriations (c/a) an amount of EUR 7 million from Article 21 02 01 (*Cooperation with Latin America*), EUR 4 million from Item 23 03 02 02 (*Rapid and efficient emergency response interventions in the event of major disasters in third countries*) and EUR 16 million from Article 40 02 42 (*Emergency aid reserve*) to Article 23 02 01 (*Delivery of rapid, effective and needs-based humanitarian aid and food assistance*), as recorded in document 13690/18.

2. The transfer is being proposed in order to provide humanitarian assistance inside Venezuela, and to refugees and host communities in neighbouring countries to respond to significant and urgent needs in line with the Plan Compact for Venezuela issued in June 2018 for an amount of EUR 27 million in c/a.

3. The Budget Committee examined this proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 31 October 2018.
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;
 - the draft letter in the ANNEX to that effect.

DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council

to : President of the Commission

copy : President of the European Parliament

Sir,

In accordance with Article 31(6) of the Financial Regulation of 18 July 2018¹, I inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 29/2018 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2018.

(Complimentary close).

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), 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).