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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Transfer of appropriations No DEC 22/2026 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2026 • *Approval* • *Approval of a letter*

1. On 30 October 2026, the Commission submitted to the Council proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 22/2026, in accordance with Article 31(1) of the Financial Regulation[1].

   As recorded in document 15139/26, the purpose of this proposal is to transfer an amount of EUR 757.40 million in commitment appropriations and EUR 257.40 million in payment appropriations from Article 30 02 02 (*Differentiated appropriations*) to Article 08 05 01 (*Establishing a governance framework for fishing activities carried out by Union fishing vessels in third country waters*).

[1] Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (recast) (OJ L, 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/2509/oj).

2. The purpose of this transfer is to honour the 2026 financial obligations resulting from the new Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement (SFPA) and its Implementing Protocol between the EU and the Republic of Mauritius, as well as to cover additional catches as set out in the relevant SFPA and Protocol for the Republic of Madagascar.

3. The Budget Committee examined the proposal for a transfer at its meeting on 6 November 2026.

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 15139/26; and

   - the draft letter in the ANNEX to this note.

ANNEX

DRAFT LETTER

from the: President of the Council

to the: President of the Commission

copy: President of the European Parliament

Madam,

In accordance with Article 31(6) of the Financial Regulation of 23 September 2024[1], I hereby inform you that the Council has approved transfer of appropriations No DEC 22/2026 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2026.

(Complimentary close).

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