Amending budget 6/2011: revenue, integrated maritime policy, Greece: ESF, Palestine

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PURPOSE: presentation of Draft Amending Budget (DAB) No 6 for the year 2011 – Commission.

CONTENT: Draft Amending Budget (DAB) No 6/2011 covers the following:

- the usual update in the forecast of revenue after the revision of the forecasts of own resources and other revenue;
- the creation of a new budget line: 11 09 05 — Programme to support the further development of an Integrated Maritime Policy (IMP), with commitment appropriations of **EUR 23.14 million** entered in reserve, pending adoption of the legal base. These commitment appropriations are reallocated from other lines withing Heading 2;
- the reallocation of **EUR 60 million** in commitment appropriations within Heading 4 EU as a Global Player, in favour of budget item 19 08 01 02 — European Neighbourhood and Partnership financial assistance to Palestine, the peace process and UNRWA (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East). This amount is proposed as a frontloading of appropriations to cover expenditure in the year 2012;
- a reinforcement of budget article 04 02 20 European Social Fund - Operational technical assistance by **EUR 3.25 million** to provide specific expertise in support of the Administrative Reform Operational Programme in the field of tax administration in Greece. Payment appropriations of EUR 300 000 are also requested;
- an increase of payment appropriations of **EUR 550 million** to meet outstanding needs which remain after the "Global Transfer". EUR 142 million of this amount will be used to increase payments in Heading 1a Competitiveness for Growth and Employment, and the remaining EUR 408 million will be reallocated to Heading 1b Cohesion for Growth and Employment;
- a token ("p.m.") decrease of payment appropriations in 05 04 05 01 — Rural development programmes to take into account the possible difference between the payment forecasts from the Member States, as updated in September 2011, and the declaration of payments that will be submitted in November 2011. This is entered tentatively and, once declarations from Member States are received, may be revised to meet part of the needs in Heading 1b Cohesion for Growth and Employment.

To summarise, the net effect of this DAB No 6/2011 is **an increase in commitment appropriations by EUR 3.25 million and an increase in payment appropriations by EUR 550.3 million in Headings 1a and 1b**. However, due to the VAT and GNI balances of previous years to be cashed in according to Regulation (EC, EURATOM) No 1150/2000 and to the increase in other revenue, namely EUR 435 million in fines, total revenue increases EUR 1 276.9 million leading to a **decrease in the budgeted Member States' GNI-based contributions for 2011 of EUR 726.6 million**.