Amending budget 8/2013: reinforcement of payments by MFF heading and shortage of payment appropriations in the 2013 budget

2013/2227(BUD) - 30/10/2013 - Council position on draft budget

On 26 September 2013, the Commission submitted to the Council draft amending budget (DAB) No 8 /2013.

It concerns an increase in payment appropriations for a total amount of **EUR 3.94 billion** across (sub-) headings:

- 1a (Competitiveness for Growth and Employment),
- 1b (Cohesion for Growth and Employment),
- 2 (Preservation and Management of Natural Resources),
- 3a (Freedom, Security and Justice), 3b (Citizenship),
- 4 (The EU as a global player) of the MFF.

DAB No 8/2013 is intended to cover the remaining balance of DAB No 2/2013 adopted by the Council on 9 July 2013.

As the appropriations requested in DAB No 8/2013 exceed the remaining balance of DAB No 2/2013 by EUR 14.776 million, **the following budget lines of the Commission proposal were reduced by the Council**:

- sub-heading 1a : Space research: EUR -4 776 million,
- sub-heading 1a : Cooperation – Health: EUR -3 000 million,
- heading 2: LIFE+ (Financial Instrument for the Environment - 2007 to 2013): EUR -7 000 million.

Total: EUR -14 776 million.

On 30 October 2013, the Council adopted its position on draft amending budget No 8/2013 on the basis of the elements recorded above, as set out in the technical annex to this explanatory memorandum of this draft Council document.