Amending budget 7/2015: immediate budgetary measures under the European agenda on migration

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On 30 September 2015, the Commission submitted to the Council draft amending budget (DAB) No 7 to the general budget for 2015.

This DAB introduces additional financial measures (in commitment (c/a) and in payment appropriations (p /a)) to be provided in 2015 in response to the migration crisis.

It includes the following reinforcements:

- +EUR 100 million in c/a for the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and for the Internal Security Fund; - +EUR 300 million in c/a for the European Neighbourhood Instrument;
- +EUR 55.7 million in p/a for Humanitarian Aid;
- +120 establishment plan posts for the European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders (+60 posts), the European Asylum Support Office (+30 posts) and EUROPOL (+30 posts) and the corresponding additional salary expenditure of EUR 1.3 million in c/a and in p/a.

The reinforcements in c/a are partly offset by redeployments for an amount of EUR 70.5 million. Therefore, the net effect of this DAB on the 2015 general budget is an increase of c/a for a total amount of EUR 330.7 million.

The Commission has submitted a separate proposal to mobilise the Flexibility Instrument in 2015 to cover the proposed amount of EUR 66.1 million that cannot be financed under the ceiling of heading 3 (Security and Citizenship).

The needs in p/a are entirely covered by redeployments.

On 8 October 2015, the Council adopted its position on DAB No 7/2015 as set out in the explanatory memorandum to the Council position (see *Council document 12511/15*).