Amending budget 5/2018: reserve related to the support to Turkey; European Neighbourhood Instrument; humanitarian aid; WiFi4EU initiative

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On 10 July 2018, the Commission submitted to the Council **draft amending budget (DAB) No 5** to the general budget for 2018 regarding the **cancellation of the reserve related to the support to Turkey** from the Instrument for Pre-Accession (IPA II), reinforcement of the European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI) and of the Humanitarian Aid for other urgent actions and modification of the establishment plan of the Innovation and Networks Executive Agency (INEA) in the context of the WiFi4EU initiative.

The objectives of this proposal are to:

- cancel the reserves of EUR 70 million in commitment appropriations (c/a) and of EUR 35 million in payment appropriations (p/a) related to Item 22 02 03 01 (Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance - Turkey Support for political reforms and related progressive alignment with the Union acquis);
- reinforce Item 22 04 01 03 (Mediterranean countries - Confidence building, security and the prevention and settlement of conflicts) with EUR 70 million in c/a and Article 23 02 01 (Delivery of rapid, effective and needs-based humanitarian aid and food assistance) with EUR 35 million in p/a;
- modify INEA's establishment plan adding one AD 7 temporary post.

The Council adopted its **position on DAB No 5** to the general budget for 2018 as set out in the technical annex to the explanatory memorandum of its position on the draft amending budget (see Council document).