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**GENERAL BUDGET - 2007** SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES 06, 40

### TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° DEC 3/2007

### NON-COMPULSORY EXPENDITURE

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## **FROM**

CHAPTER - 40 02 Reserves for financial interventions ITEM 40 02 41 01 - 06 02 09 01 Galileo Supervisory Authority

- Subsidy under Titles 1 and 2

Commitments

- 2 499 000

Payments

- 2 499 000

### TO

CHAPTER - 06 02 Inland, air and maritime transport ARTICLE - 06 02 09 Galileo Supervisory Authority

ITEM - 06 02 09 01 Galileo Supervisory Authority

- Subsidy under Titles 1 and 2

Commitments Payments 2 499 000 2 499 000

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#### I. INCREASE

#### a) Heading

## 06 02 09 01 - Galileo Supervisory Authority - Subsidy under Titles 1 and 2

## b) Figures at 30/01/2007

		Commitments	Payments
	. Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB) . Appropriation in budget (EFTA) Transfers	2 550 000 0 0	2 550 000 0 0
3. 4.	Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2) Utilisation of final appropriation	2 550 000	2 550 000
5. 6.	Amount not used/available (3-4) Requirements up to year-end	2 550 000 5 049 000	2 550 000 5 049 000
7.	Increase proposed	2 499 000	2 499 000
8.	Increase as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	98.00%	98.00%

### c) Detail grounds for the transfer

In the 2007 Budget the European Parliament created a reserve of € 4.250.000 in the European Commission's budget item 06 02 09 01 "Galileo Supervisory Authority - Subsidy under Titles 1 and 2". The effect of such a reserve is to hamper the good functioning of the Galileo Supervisory Authority (GSA). More than 85% of the costs of Titles 1 and 2 are determined by staff and rent costs which are fixed costs. The budget available on the line only covers <u>5 months</u> of the GSA's expenditures.

When the European Parliament voted on the reserve, it took as a reference the initial 2006 Budget. In the meantime, an Amended Budget for 2006 had been presented by the Commission and voted by the European Parliament on 24.10.2006 (OJ L356,15.12.2006).

Such an Amended Budget entailed in particular the takeover by the GSA of the activities of the Galileo Joint Undertaking (GJU) - which was wound up at the end of 2006 - and the tasks that were originally entrusted to the GJU, with the transfer of the required resources.

Had the European Parliament taken into account the Amended Budget for 2006, applying the same rules as for all other agencies to determine the amount to be placed in reserve, the credits on the budget item 06 02 09 01 would have amounted to € 5.049.000, instead of € 2.550.000.

The European Commission therefore requests that the reserve on budget item 06 02 09 01 "Galileo Supervisory Authority - Subsidy under Titles 1 and 2" - be reduced from € 4.250.000 to € 1.751.000, transferring the difference (€ 2.499.000) on budget item 06 02 09 01. The request for transfer is made now, taking into account the length of the process of releasing the reserve.

This operation will put the Galileo Supervisory Authority (GSA) on an equal footing with all other agencies.

### II. DECREASE

# a) Heading

40 02 - Reserve for financial interventions - Item 06 02 09 01 - Galileo Supervisory Authority - Subsidy under Titles 1 and 2

## b) Figures at 30/01/2007

		Commitments	Payments
	Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB) Appropriation in budget (EFTA) Transfers	4 250 000 0 0	4 250 000 0 0
3. 4.	Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2) Utilisation of final appropriation	4 250 000 0	4 250 000
5. 6.	Amount not used/available (3-4) Requirements up to year-end (*)	4 250 000 0	4 250 000 0
7.	Proposed decrease	2 499 000	2 499 000
8.	Decrease as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A) (*) Not relevant for a provisions line or reserve line	58.80%	58.80%

## c) Detail grounds for the transfer

This transfer has for only goal to release part of the reserve introduced by the European Parliament in the Budget 2007, on budget item 06 01 02 09 "Galileo Supervisory Authority - Subsidy under Titles 1 and 2" - to put the agency on an equal footing with all other agencies. (See justification in the form of the requested reinforcement).