

# The President

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Mr Johan Van Overtveldt Chair of the Committee on Budgets

<u>Subject</u>: Request for transfer of appropriations C6 - Financial year 2020

Dear Chair,

In accordance with the provisions of Article 29 of the Financial Regulation of 18 July 2018, please find attached a request for a transfer of appropriations.

I should be grateful if you would submit this request to your committee, at the first possible meeting.

Yours sincerely,

David Maria SASSOLI

# **TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS C6/2020**

### SUMMARY

In accordance with Article 29 of the Financial Regulation, the administration of the European Parliament intends to make a transfer of appropriations as described below.

The purpose of this transfer proposal is to provide the means for implementing the Bureau decision of 14 September 2020 on the installation of SARS-CoV-2 testing facilities.

#### **INCREASE**

Budget item Initial appropriations +/- Amending budget +/- Transfers		Commitments	Availability	Proposed transfer	In % of total approps.	Availability after transfer			
1650	"Medical serv	"Medical service"							
	1.820.000	1.331.468	488.533	+990.000	54%	1.478.533			

The increase of appropriations on **item 1650 "Medical Service"** is necessary to implement the decision of the Bureau on 14 September 2020 to offer Members and staff SARS-CoV-2 testing facilities. Testing is crucial for early detection and to effectively contain the spread of the virus. Easy access to screening is also key to enabling international travel.

According to this decision, a testing unit will be deployed to offer screening tests to all Members and staff working in Parliament. The system will provide for a digital platform where users can register and complete the application process for the testing. The results will be notified to the person concerned and the Medical Service in full respect of the medical secret.

To make this happen, the Medical Service needs EUR 990 000 for funding the collection point on Parliament's premises as well as for paying the PCR tests from October to December 2020.

## **DECREASE**

Budget item Initial appropriations +/- Amending budget +/- Transfers		Commitment s	Availability	Proposed transfer	In % of total approps.	Availability after transfer				
3000 "Expenses for staff missions and duty travel between the three places of work"										
	23.690.000	19.039.702	4.650.298	-990.000	-4%	3.660.298				

The surplus available on item 3000 "Expenses for staff missions and duty travel between the three places of work" is due to the reduction of travel in response to the COVID-19 crisis.

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# REQUEST/APPROVAL OF AUTHORISING OFFICER(S) CONCERNED

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