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From:	Budget Committee
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Amendments of the European Parliament to the Council's position on the draft budget for 2026 *- Non-approval of the European Parliament's amendment(s)*

1. During its October II Plenary session (20-23 October 2025), the European Parliament intends to adopt amendments to the Council's position on the draft budget for 2026, as recommended by the European Parliament's Committee on Budgets on 6 October 2025. At this occasion, the Presidency of the Council should take note of this fact, and consequently agree that the President of the European Parliament convenes the Conciliation Committee as required (point (c) of Article 314(4) TFEU).

2. On 9 October 2025, the Budget Committee of the Council discussed those amendments and agreed, by a qualified majority, that it could not approve them all. For the purposes of the continuation of the budgetary procedure for 2026, the Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to suggest the Council to:

   – confirm that it cannot approve all the amendments to the Council's position on the draft budget for 2026 should they be adopted by the European Parliament;

   – approve the annexed draft letter to the European Parliament to that effect.

ANNEX

DRAFT LETTER

from : President of the Council

to : President of the European Parliament

cc : President of the European Commission

Madam,

For the purpose of point (c) of Article 314(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, I have to inform you that the Council cannot approve all the amendments adopted by the European Parliament as regards the Council's position on the draft budget for 2026.

The Conciliation Committee foreseen by Article 314(5) TFEU may therefore meet at the earliest convenience.

(Complimentary close).