Delegations will find below the draft declaration suggested by the Commission in relation to the budget of the Agency, as referred to in line 39 of the four-column table, together with informal drafting suggestions for the related recital (29).

"In light of the limited possibilities for redeployments under Heading 5 - Security and Defence of the current Multiannual Financial Framework, the Legislative Financial Statement accompanying the Commission proposal for a Regulation on the European Union Drugs Agency (COM/2022/18 final) provides for the offsetting of the budgetary impact of the additional financial resources allocated to the Agency through a compensatory reduction from programmed spending under Heading 4 - Migration and border management under the current Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027. This does not prejudge on the financing to be provided under future Multiannual Financial Frameworks. The Commission's future budget proposals will aim at ensuring that the Agency has the necessary resources to fulfil the tasks in its new mandate. This is without prejudice to the outcome of the applicable legislative and budgetary procedures and to the respective prerogatives of the institutions, as established in the Treaties."

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Line 39 / Recital 29: The Agency should be **adequately properly** resourced to carry out **its the** tasks, **objectives and responsibilities assigned to it under this Regulation. The Agency should be** granted an autonomous budget **reflecting its mission.** It should be mainly financed by a contribution from the general budget of the Union. The Union budgetary procedure should be applicable as far as the Union contribution and any other subsidies chargeable to the general budget of the Union are concerned. The auditing of accounts should be undertaken by the Court of Auditors of the European Union.