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Add: 19 06 08 — Pilot project: Programme for NGO-led peacebuilding activities

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	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
Appropriations							5 000 000	5 000 000	5 000 000	5 000 000
Reserves										

Heading:

Pilot project: Programme for NGO-led peacebuilding activities

Remarks:

Add following text:

This appropriation, which is complementary to the capacity building activities as provided for by the Peacebuilding Partnership under the Instrument for Stability, is intended to finance a programme of NGO-led peacebuilding activities in order to support the EU's commitments to prevent conflict and build peace outside its borders.

Add following text:

Activities to be financed under this pilot project will include: research on and analysis of specific conflicts; support for peace processes, mediation and dialogue; support to disarmament, demobilisation and reintegration (DDR) processes and broader post-conflict economic development; support to local actor participation in peace settlements; civil society involvement in security sector reform (SSR), justice sector reform and transitional justice processes; promotion of conflict-sensitive development practices; international and national level advocacy work to encourage peacebuilding and the prevention of violent conflict; the development and management of early warning systems; the promotion of the role of women in peacebuilding; unarmed civilian peacekeeping; and the deployment of professionals to sustain local actors by reducing and preventing violence, supporting dialogue, sustainable peace and a conflict-resilient society.

Add following text:

The pilot project could also serve as a test case for Community support for NGO-led peacebuilding activities and could thus lead to the eventual establishment of a permanent mechanism for short-, medium- and long-term financing in this area.

Legal basis: Reference acts:

Justification:

Civil society has a crucial role to play in supporting the EU to implement its policy on conflict prevention and transformation, yet only limited funds are available for NGO-led peacebuilding activities under the existing external financing instruments. Only the Instrument for Stability supports short-term (maximum 18-month) peace work by NSA and capacity building with a small amount of funds compared to the far larger amounts potentially available under other instruments – and compared to the scale of global need for activities to prevent violent conflict and build peace.