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## THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to the Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and the Council laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI)<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 12 thereof,

### Whereas:

- (1) The Commission has adopted the Country Strategy Paper<sup>2</sup> for Egypt and the Multiannual Indicative Programme for the period 2007-2010<sup>2</sup>, which provide(s) for the priorities of supporting Egypt's social agenda and reforms, in particular ensuring the sustainability of the development process, and developing the competitiveness and productivity of the Egyptian economy.
- (2) Commission Decision C(2010)6927 adopted on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2010 approved the "Support to Public Administration and Local Development" programme in the framework of the Annual Action Programme 2010 in favour of Egypt.
- (3) The purpose of the present modifying Decision is to (i) Remove one of the initial programme's components on public policy cycle (ii) change the method of implementation for componenets 2 and 3 to Joint Management with an International Organization (IMG).(iii) reduce the programme's duration and (iv) introduce minor budget's changes including a limited allocation of equipment (hardware and software) to the Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation.
- (4) The present Decision constitutes a Financing Decision within the meaning of Article 75 of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget<sup>3</sup> (hereafter 'the Financial Regulation') and Article 90 of Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002 of 23 December 2002 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget<sup>4</sup> (hereafter 'the Implementing Rules').

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OJ L 310, 9.11.2006, p. 1-14.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> C(2007)672 of 27.02.2007.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> OJ L 248 of 16.09.2002, p. 1-48.

OJ L 357 of 31.12 2002, p. 1-71.

- (5) The maximum contribution of the European Union set by the present Decision should cover any possible claims for interest due for late payment on the basis of Article 83 of the Financial Regulation and Article 106(5) of its Implementing Rules.
- (6) The Commission is required to define the term "substantial change" in the meaning of Article 90(4) of the Implementing Rules to ensure that any substantial change in this Decision shall follow the same procedure as the initial Decision.
- (7) The Commission has ensured that the management system set up by the beneficiary country for the management of EU funds complies with the conditions envisaged provided for in Article 56(2) of the Financial Regulation and Article 35 of its Implementing Rules with regard to the actions implemented under fully decentralised management.
- (8) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the ENPI Committee set up under Article 26 of Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006,

## HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

#### Sole article

The action fiche "Support to Public Administration Reform and Local Development" of the Commission Decision C(2010)6927 is replaced by the action fiche attached to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 15 December 2011

For the Commission Štefan FÜLE Member of the Commission