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**amending Commission Implementing Decision C(2018)8181 of 05.12.2018 adopting an
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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012¹, and in particular Article 110 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 236/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 laying down common rules and procedures of the implementation of the Union's instruments for financing external action² and in particular Article 2(3) thereof

Whereas:

- (1) By its Decision C(2018)8181 of 05.12.2018, the Commission adopted the Annual Action Programme for Bosnia and Herzegovina for the year 2018 including eleven actions.
- (2) On 8.04.2020, the Commission and the European External Actions Service adopted a Joint Communication on the Global EU Response to COVID-19, engaging the EU's contribution to a global response which addresses the humanitarian, health, social and economic consequences of the crisis.³
- (3) On 29.04.2020, the Commission adopted its Communication on Support to the Western Balkans in tackling COVID-19 and the post-pandemic recovery, laying down in more details the EU planned interventions in the region.⁴
- (4) It is now necessary to modify the action entitled "EU integration facility" in order to allow for implementation of a new activity through indirect management with an entrusted entity. This will enable the provision of, urgently needed medical supplies necessary to Bosnia and Herzegovina in managing the COVID-19 outbreak.
- (5) The envisaged assistance is deemed to follow the conditions and procedures set out by the restrictive measures adopted pursuant to Article 215 TFEU⁵.
- (6) Therefore, Decision C(2018)8181 of 5.12.2018 should be amended accordingly.

¹ OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p.1.

² OJ L 77, 15.03.2014, p. 95.

³ JOIN(2020) 11 final

⁴ COM(2020) 315 final

⁵ www.sanctionsmap.eu Please note that the sanctions map is an IT tool for identifying the sanction regimes. The source of the sanctions stems from legal acts published in the Official Journal (OJ). In case of discrepancy between the published legal acts and the updates on the website, it is the OJ version that prevails.

- (7) The measures provided for in this Decision do not fall into those for which the opinion of the Committee is required. The measure shall be communicated to the European Parliament and the Member States through the IPA II Committee, set up by Article 13 of Regulation (EU) No 231/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing an Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II)⁶, within one month of its adoption.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Commission Implementing Decision C(2018)8181 of 5.12.2018 adopting an Annual Action Programme for Bosnia and Herzegovina for the year 2018 is amended as follows:

Annex 1 is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 15.5.2020

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

⁶ OJ L 77, 15.03.2014, p. 11.