

COMMISSION DECISION

of 14/12/2007

**approving the 2007 annual action programme for Jordan to be financed under
Article 19 08 01 of the general budget of the European Communities**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 2006 laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument,¹ and in particular Article 12 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities,² and in particular Article 56 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission has adopted the Country Strategy Paper for Jordan and the Multiannual Indicative Programme for the period 2007-2009,³ points 2 and 4 of which prioritise support for trade and investment development, and financial stability and support for reform.
- (2) The aim of the annual action programme is to pave the way for renewing the partnership by pursuing deeper economic integration and political cooperation.
- (3) This decision constitutes a financing decision within the meaning of Article 75 of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 and Article 90 of Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002.⁴
- (4) It is appropriate to define the term “substantial change” within the meaning of Article 90(4) of Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002 for the application of this decision.

¹ OJ L 310, 9.11.2006, p. 1.

² OJ L 248, 16.9.2002, p. 1. Regulation last amended by Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1995/2006 (OJ L 390, 30.12.2006, p. 1).

³ C(2007) 672.

⁴ OJ L 357, 31.12.2002; p. 1. Regulation last amended by Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 478/2007 (OJ L 111, 28.4.2007, p. 13).

- (5) 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:

Article 1

The actions "Services Modernisation Programme", "Support to Reforms in Public Finance", and "Northern Border Clearance Project", which constitute the 2007 annual action programme for Jordan, the text of which is set out in the Annex, are approved.

Article 2

The maximum contribution of the Community is set at EUR 62 million to be financed from item 19 08 01 01 of the general budget of the European Communities for 2007.

Article 3

Within the maximum indicative budget for all the specific actions, cumulated changes not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution of the Community are not considered to be substantial provided that they do not significantly affect the nature and objectives of the 2007 annual action programme.

The authorising officer may adopt such changes in accordance with the principles of sound financial management.

Done at Brussels, 14 December 2007

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission