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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) N° 232/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing a European Neighbourhood Instrument for the period 2014-2020<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EU) N° 232/2014 provides for Union assistance to be implemented through bilateral programmes, multi-country programmes and cross-border cooperation programmes.
- (2) In accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EU) N° 232/2014, the Union and the Member States shall coordinate their respective support programmes with the aim of increasing effectiveness and efficiency in the delivery of support and policy dialogue and preventing overlapping of funding, in line with the established principles for strengthening operational coordination in the field of external support and for harmonising policies and procedures.
- (3) In accordance with Article 3 of Regulation (EU) N° 232/2014, the key point of reference for setting the priorities for Union support in Lebanon are action plans or equivalent jointly agreed documents, except for the cases set out therein.
- (4) In accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EU) N° 232/2014, the single support framework shall review progress made, set out the objectives and priorities for Union support, indicate expected results and set out the indicative level of funding expressed in the form of a range and broken down by priority.
- (5) In accordance to Article 9, paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Council Decision (EU) 427/2010 of 26 July 2010 establishing the organisation and functioning of the European External Action Service (EEAS)<sup>2</sup>, the national and regional indicative programmes are prepared jointly by the relevant services in the EEAS and in the Commission under the responsibility of the Commissioner responsible for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations and are submitted jointly with the High Representative for adoption by the Commission.
- (6) The single support framework for EU support in Lebanon for the period 2017-2020 should be adopted by the Commission on behalf of the European Union.
- (7) The measures provided for in this decision are in accordance with the opinion of the committee established by Article 15 of Regulation (EU) N° 232/2014,

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L77 of 15 March 2014, p. 44

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 201/30 of 3 August 2010, p. 30

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Sole Article*

The single support framework for European Union support to Lebanon for the period from 2017 to 2020 is hereby adopted on behalf of the European Union. The single support framework is contained in annex to the present decision.

Done at Brussels, 30.10.2017

*For the Commission*  
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*Member of the Commission*