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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1085/2006 of 17 July 2006 establishing an Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA)\(^1\), and in particular Article 14(4) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EC) No 1085/2006 lays down the objectives and main principles for pre-accession assistance to candidate countries and potential candidates.

(2) In accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1085/2006, the assistance should be provided through multi-annual or annual programmes. These programmes should be drawn up in accordance with the general policy framework referred to in Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1085/2006 and the relevant multi-annual indicative planning document referred to in Article 6 of that Regulation.


(4) Some significant delays in tendering the construction of the Institute for blood transfusion which is part of 2010 project 'Implementation of the European Blood Transfusion System', financed by national co-financing, have occurred. In order to have the whole project being implemented in the most efficient and effective way for usage of the IPA funds, the contracting period should be extended by one year to three years following the date of conclusion of the Financing Agreement. As the final dates for execution remain two years following the end date for contracting, the execution period would be extended by one year as well.


\(^1\) OJ L 210, 31.7.2006, p. 82.
Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities (hereafter: “Financial Regulation”).

(6) The IPA committee will be informed of the present decision.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

1) The annex to the Commission Decision C(2010)5314 of 28 July 2010 is replaced by the text annexed to the present Decision.

2) The final date for contracting for the National programme for Montenegro under IPA – Transition Assistance and Institutional Building component for the year 2010 is extended until 8 November 2013.

3) The Financing Agreement between the European Commission and Montenegro, concluded on 8 November 2010, constituting the legal commitment of the Commission under the Financial Regulation, shall be modified accordingly.

Done at Brussels, 10.10.2012

For the Commission,
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Member of the Commission

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