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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 231/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing an Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II)², and in particular Article 7(1) thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 2021/1529 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 September 2021 establishing the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA III)³, and in particular Article 19(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) With Decision C(2014) 9849 final⁴, the Commission adopted the Country Action Programme for Turkey under the Instrument for Preaccession assistance (IPA II) for the year 2014 (“the Programme”).
- (2) A substantial amendment to the Decision was adopted on 27 April 2017 by Commission Implementing Decision C(2017) 2865 final⁵.
- (3) Following the devastating earthquakes in of February 2023, the Union committed to mobilise funds in support for the people in Türkiye and contribute to the socio-economic recovery of the affected regions. Upon the acknowledgment of the crisis situation in Türkiye, it was deemed necessary to reallocate multi-donor unused funds of EUR 33 754 984.09 under Objective 1 and EUR 2 984 817.60 under Objective 2, in order to provide support to the most vulnerable segments of society in the earthquake-affected areas and mitigate the social and economic impact on the population.

¹ OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p.1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1046/oj>.

² OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p.11.

³ OJ L 330, 20.9.2021, p.1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/1529/oj>.

⁴ C(2014) 9849 final, Commission Implementing Decision of 17.12.2014 adopting a Country Action Programme for Turkey for the year 2014.

⁵ C(2017) 2865 final Commission Implementing Decision of 27.4.2017 amending Commission Decision C(2014) 9849 final of 17 December 2014 on adopting a Country Action Programme for Turkey for the year 2014.

- (4) With the reallocation of unused funds, the following actions should be introduced in the Programme under Objective 1: ‘5 - Participatory, Inclusive and Green Recovery for Local Public Services in the Earthquake-Affected Region’, ‘7b - Strengthening National Capacities against COVID-19 and other Public Health Emergencies’; and, under Objective 2: ‘10b - Facilitating Agricultural Recovery & Mitigating Earthquake Repercussions for Sustainability.’. Furthermore, under Objective 1, Actions 2 ‘Regulatory Reform and *Acquis* Alignment’ and 4 ‘Civil Society’ are to be amended as to provide assistance to the IPA II beneficiary in the aftermath of the earthquake. The actions ‘Jean Monnet Scholarship Programme’ and ‘Energy’ are withdrawn.
- (5) With the proposed reallocation, the Union contribution decreases [from 366 040 000.00] to EUR 347 814 752.40.
- (6) ‘Turkey’ should be changed to ‘Türkiye⁶’.
- (7) Therefore, Decision C(2014) 9849 final should be amended accordingly.
- (8) The proposed assistance is to comply with the conditions and procedures set out by the restrictive measures adopted pursuant to Article 215 TFEU⁷.
- (9) The amendments are in accordance with the opinion of the IPA III Committee,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Commission Implementing Decision C(2014) 9849 final is amended as follows:

Article 2 Financial contribution is replaced by the following:

“The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the programme for 2014 is set at EUR 347 814 752.40 and shall be financed from the following lines of the general budget of the Union:

- (a) budget line 22.02.03.01: EUR 342 034 633.80;
- (b) budget line 22.02.03.02 : EUR 5 780 118.60.

The financial contributions referred to in the first sub-paragraph may also cover interest due for late payment.”

The Annex is replaced by the text in the Annex to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 14.12.2023

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

⁶ Council of the European Union, 12609/1/22 REV 1, Brussels 29 September 2022, Note verbale of the Republic of Türkiye requesting the use of the new official name in English

⁷ www.sanctionsmap.eu Please note that the sanctions map is an IT tool for identifying the sanctions 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.