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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) 2021/947 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 June 2021 establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument – Global Europe, amending and repealing Decision No 466/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU) 2017/1601 and Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 480/2009², and in particular Article 24(2) for support measures thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In order to ensure the implementation of “Suriname Forest Partnership – Support Measures”, it is necessary to adopt an annual financing decision, which constitutes the annual work programme, for 2022. Article 110 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 (‘the Financial Regulation’) establishes detailed rules on financing decisions.
- (2) The envisaged assistance is to comply with the conditions and procedures set out by the restrictive measures adopted pursuant to Article 215 TFEU³.
- (3) The action provided for in this Decision contributes to climate and biodiversity mainstreaming in line with the European Green Deal and the inter-institutional agreement.
- (4) The Commission has adopted the National Multiannual Indicative Programme⁴ for the period 2021-2027, which sets out the following priority of support to Forest Partnerships for the obtainment of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, as well as the national priorities of Suriname, as set out in its national policies.
- (5) The objectives pursued by the support measure to be financed under the Regulation (EU) 2021/947 geographic programme ‘Americas and the Caribbean’ Regulation (Euratom) 2021/948 Decision (EU) 2021/1764 are to strengthening the capacity of

¹ OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p.1.

² OJ L 209, 14.6.2021, p.1.

³ www.sanctionsmap.eu. 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, the OJ prevails.

⁴ Decision C(2021) 9113, 15.12.2021.

CSOs in the context of the Forest Partnership, enhance the policy dialogue and government capacity, as well as improve communication and public diplomacy.

- (6) The action entitled ‘Suriname Forest Partnership – Support Measures’ aims to strengthen the capacity of CSOs in the context of the Forest Partnership, enhance the policy dialogue and government capacity, as well as improve communication and public diplomacy.
- (7) It is necessary to allow for the payment of interest due for late payment on the basis of Article 116(5) of the Financial Regulation.
- (8) In order to allow for flexibility in the implementation of the action plan, it is appropriate to allow changes which should not be considered substantial for the purposes of Article 110(5) of the Financial Regulation.
- (9) The measure provided for in this Decision does not fall within the categories of measures for which the prior opinion of the Committee is required. The European Parliament and the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument Committee established under Article 45 of Regulation (EU) 2021/947 should be informed of this Decision within one month following its adoption.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1 *The support measure*

The annual financing decision, constituting the support measure in favour of Suriname for 2022, as set out in the Annex, is adopted.

The support measure shall include the following action: “Suriname Forest Partnership – Support Measures” set out in the Annex.

Article 2 *Union contribution*

The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the support measure for 2022 is set at EUR 1 300 000, and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following budget line 14.020141: EUR 1 300 000 of the general budget of the Union.

The appropriations provided for in the first paragraph may also cover interest due for late payment.

Article 3 *Flexibility clause*

Increases or decreases of up to EUR 10 million and not exceeding 20% of the contribution set in the first paragraph of Article 2, or cumulated changes⁵ to the allocations of specific actions not exceeding 20% of that contribution, as well as extensions of the implementation period shall not be considered substantial for the purposes of Article 110(5) of the Financial Regulation (provided that these changes do not significantly affect the nature and objectives of the actions).

⁵ These changes can come from assigned revenue made available after the adoption of the financing decision.

The authorising officer responsible may apply the changes referred to in the first paragraph. Those changes shall be applied in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.

Done at Brussels, 5.10.2022

For the Commission
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Partnerships