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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2015/322 of 2 March 2015 on the implementation of the 11th European Development Fund (EDF)<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 9(1) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2015/323 of 2 March 2015 on the financial regulation applicable to the 11th European Development Fund<sup>2</sup>, and in particular Article 26 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission has adopted the 2014-2020 country strategy paper for Chad<sup>3</sup> setting out the following priorities:
  - to support Chad in implementing its development strategy through the sustainable management of its natural resources, including oil and gas, targeting, in particular, the most vulnerable population groups, young people and the poorest areas in terms of socio-economic development;
  - to contribute to the consolidation of peace and the implementation of reforms to strengthen governance (justice, human rights, the involvement of civil society and citizens in public life, security, management of public finances, etc.).
- (2) The support measure financed under the 11th EDF is intended to contribute to the efficient and effective implementation of EDF financing in Chad and to the government's sustainable development objectives. The measure 'Programme to support the National Authorising Officer' is intended to build the capacity of Chad's National Authorising Officer to perform the NAO's functions, and to strengthen ownership of the EDF by Chad's government with a view to improving implementation of the EDF in Chad.
- (3) A financing decision should be adopted, the detailed rules of which are set out in Article 94 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012<sup>4</sup>, applicable by virtue of Article 26 of Regulation (EU) 2015/323.
- (4) The Commission should delegate budget-implementation tasks under indirect management to the partner country specified in this Decision, subject to the conclusion of a financing agreement. In accordance with Article 60(1)(c) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 applicable by virtue of Articles 17 and 2(1) of Regulation (EU)

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 58, 3.3.2015, p. 1.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 58, 3.3.2015, p. 17.

<sup>3</sup> Decision C(2014) 3681 of 10.6.2014.

<sup>4</sup> Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29 October 2012 on the rules of application of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L 362, 31.12.2012, p. 1).

2015/323, the authorising officer responsible must ensure that measures are taken to supervise and support the implementation of the delegated tasks. Those measures and the delegated tasks are described in the annex to this Decision.

- (5) The payment of interest on late payment should be allowed on the basis of Article 92 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 and Article 111(4) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012, applicable by virtue of Article 29(1) of Regulation (EU) 2015/323.
- (6) The measure provided for in this Decision is in accordance with the opinion of the European Development Fund Committee set up by Article 8 of the Internal Agreement between the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, on the financing of European Union aid under the multiannual financial framework for 2014 to 2020, in accordance with the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement, and on the allocation of financial assistance for the Overseas Countries and Territories to which Part Four of the Treaty applies<sup>5</sup>,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

#### *Article 1*

##### **Adoption of the measure**

The attached Decision on the Programme to support the National Authorising Officer is hereby adopted.

The measure shall include the following action:

- Annex: Programme to support the National Authorising Officer

#### *Article 2*

##### **Financial contribution**

The maximum contribution of the European Union authorised by this Decision for the implementation of the measure referred to in Article 1 is set at EUR 5 200 000, to be financed from the 11th EDF.

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

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<sup>5</sup> OJ L 210, 6.8.2013, p. 1.

*Article 3*

**Methods of implementation**

Budget-implementation tasks under indirect management may be delegated to the entity identified in the Annex, subject to conclusion of the relevant agreement.

The 'Implementation' section of the Annex to this Decision sets out the elements required by Article 94(2) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012.

Done at Brussels, 22.5.2015

*For the Commission*  
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*Member of the Commission*