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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU),

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 23(3),

Whereas:

- (1) In order to ensure the implementation of the multiannual individual measure for the thematic programme on Global Challenges (People) for 2023 and 2025, it is necessary to adopt a multiannual financing decision, which constitutes the multiannual work programme, for 2023-2025. 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 TFEU.
- (3) The objective pursued by the multiannual measure to be financed under the Regulation (EU) 2021/947, thematic programme 'Global Challenges', is to invest in health and economic development strategies, address global challenges in relation to health and primary healthcare services; and aiming to achieve GS1 as per the OECD-DAC (as defined below) gender equality marker and in compliance with gender equality as a relevant EU policy within the NDICI-GE Regulation and EU strategy on gender equality for external actions, this operation is targeting gender equality as a significant objective.
- (4) The action entitled 'Acceleration Human Development (HDX) – Polio Component' as set out in the Annex supports the objectives of the Global Challenges Health, notably by tackling non-communicable and communicable diseases (in this case polio) and supporting preventive action with the objective of disease eradication.

¹ OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p.1.

² OJ L 209, 14.6.2021, p.1.

- (5) Pursuant to Article 26(1) of Regulation (EU) 2021/947 indirect management is to be used for the implementation of the action.
- (6) The Commission is to ensure a level of protection of the financial interests of the Union with regards to entities and persons entrusted with the implementation of Union funds by indirect management as provided for in Article 154(3) of the Financial Regulation.
- (7) To this end, such entities and persons are to be subject to an assessment of their systems and procedures in accordance with Article 154(4) of the Financial Regulation³ and, if necessary, to appropriate supervisory measures in accordance with Article 154(5) thereof before a contribution agreement can be signed.
- (8) 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.
- (9) In order to allow for flexibility in the implementation of the measure, it is appropriate to allow changes which should not be considered substantial for the purposes of Article 110(5) of the Financial Regulation.
- (10) The measure provided for in this Decision is in accordance with the opinion of the NDICI-Global Europe Committee established under Article 45 of Regulation (EU) 2021/947.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1
The measure

The multiannual financing decision, constituting the multiannual measure for the implementation of the thematic programme on Global Challenges (People) for 2023 and 2025, as set out in the Annex, is adopted.

The measure shall include the following action:

- Acceleration Human Development (HDX) – Polio Component as set out in the Annex.

Article 2
Union contribution

The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the measure for 2023-2025 is set at EUR 302 514 000 and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following lines of the general budget of the Union:

For 2023: budget line 14 02 02 40: EUR 275 000 000

For 2025: budget line 14 02 02 40: EUR 27 514 000

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

This multiannual measure is to be implemented through split commitments in accordance with Article 112(2) and 114(3) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046.

³ Except for the cases of Article 154(6) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046, where the Commission may decide, not to require an ex-ante assessment.

Article 3

Methods of implementation and entrusted entities or persons

The implementation of the actions carried out by way of indirect management, as set out in the Annex, may be entrusted to the entities or persons referred to or selected in accordance with the criteria laid down in point 4.3 of the Annex.

Article 4

Flexibility clause

Increases or decreases of up to EUR 10 000 000 and not exceeding 20% of the contribution set in the first paragraph of Article 2, considering each financial year separately, or cumulated changes⁴ 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).

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, 30.11.2023

For the Commission

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