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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 Fund¹, and in particular Article 9(4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2015/323 of 2 March 2015 on the financial regulation applicable to the 11th European Development Fund², and in particular Article 26 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Annual Action Programme 2016 in favour of the Republic of Liberia is composed of two actions.
Action entitled "EU support to General Auditing Commission (GAC)" remains unchanged.
Action entitled "EU Liberia Agriculture Programme (EU-LAP)" aiming at providing support to sustainably increase productivity and access to markets of agricultural smallholders and fishing communities; promoting nutrition-sensitive and climate-resilient agriculture production systems as well as enhance agricultural policies strengthening the capacity of core institutions and non-state actors. The action is intended to be implemented through indirect management with international organizations and direct management with international non-governmental organizations..
- (2) The Commission should entrust budget-implementation tasks under indirect management to the entities specified in the Annex to this Decision, subject to the conclusion of a delegation agreement. In accordance with Article 60(1)© and (2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012, applicable in accordance with Article 2(1) and Article 17 of Regulation (EU) 2015/323, the authorising officer responsible needs to ensure that these entities guarantee a level of protection of the financial interests of the European Union equivalent to that required when the Commission manages Union funds. These entities comply with the conditions set out in points (a) to (d) of the first subparagraph of Article 60(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 and the supervisory and support measures are in place as necessary,
- (3) 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 EDF Committee established under Article 8 of the Internal Agreement should be informed of this Decision within one month following its adoption.

¹ OJ L 58, 3.3.2015, p. 1.

² OJ L 58, 3.3.2015, p. 17.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Annex 1 to Decision C(2016)7762 "EU Liberia Agriculture Programme (EU-LAP)" is replaced by the annex joint to the present Decision.

Done at Brussels, 10.7.2017

For the Commission
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Director General