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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) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union¹, and in particular Article 84(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The pilot project "Beyond traffic jams: intelligent integrated transport solutions for road infrastructure" has been provided for in the budget 2015. This pilot project will focus on the development of innovative solutions targeting improvements in urban logistics, road safety, public transport, traffic management and mobility planning.(2)The preparatory action "Towards a single European Transport System" has been provided for in the budget 2015. It aims at identifying the barriers that impede the development of a truly optimised single European transport system and proposes a set of actions which collectively can help to accelerate progress. This preparatory action will fully support Union policies and priorities. It will inform future policy development and research and innovation programmes, at both EU and national level; address one of the seven challenges on which Horizon 2020 is based, namely 'Smart, green and integrated transport' and contribute to implementation of EU2020 flagship initiatives such as 'increasing accessibility and clean transport' and 'promoting innovation and excellence'.
- (3) In order to ensure implementation of the pilot project and of the preparatory action it is necessary to adopt a financing decision for 2015. Article 94 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1268/2012² establishes detailed rules on financing decisions.
- (4) This Decision should allow for the payment of interest due for late payment on the basis of Article 92 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 and Article 111(4) of Delegated Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1268/2012.
- (5) For the application of this Decision, it is appropriate to define the term 'substantial change' within the meaning of Article 94(4) of Delegated Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1268/2012.

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OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

² Commission Delegated Regulation (EU, Euratom) 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

(6) Article 54.2 (a) and (b) of the Financial Regulation provide for the implementation of pilot projects and preparatory actions without a basic act, as long as the actions financed fall within the competence of the Union.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The financing decision for the pilot project and for the preparatory action in the field of mobility and transport, as set out in Annexes 1 and 2, is hereby adopted. It shall constitute a financing decision within the meaning of Article 84 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012.

Article 2

- 1. The maximum contribution for the implementation of the pilot project and of the preparatory action for the year 2015 is set at EUR 2,300,000, and shall be financed from the budget lines 06.027707 and 08.027704 of the general budget of the European Union for 2015.
- 2. The appropriations provided for in the first paragraph may also cover interest due for late payment.

Article 3 Flexibility clause

- 1. Cumulated changes in the allocations for specific measures not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution authorised by this Decision provided for in Article 2 shall not be considered to be substantial within the meaning of Article 94(4) of Delegated Regulation (EU) N° 1268/2012, provided that they do not significantly affect the nature and objective of the preparatory action and of the pilot project.
- 2. The authorising officer responsible may adopt the changes referred to in the first paragraph in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.

Done at Brussels, 19.5.2015

For the Commission Violeta BULC Member of the Commission