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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) No 1316/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing the Connecting Europe Facility, amending Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 680/2007 and (EC) No 67/2010², and in particular Article 17(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In order to ensure the implementation of the Connecting Europe Facility in the field of transport, it is necessary to adopt a multiannual financing decision which amends Commission Implementing Decision C(2014)1921³ 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) In accordance with Article 17(1) and (3) of Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013, the Commission is to adopt multiannual work programmes for financial support to projects of common interest in the transport sector.
- (4) In line with the evolving priorities in the implementation of the Trans-European Transport Network policy objectives set out in Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁴, it is necessary to update Implementing Decision C(2014)1921 to support new projects of common interest under the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) – Transport sector, general and cohesion envelopes, for an additional total indicative amount of up to EUR 1 400 000 000.

¹ OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p.1.

² OJ L 348, 20.12.2013, p.129.

³ Commission Implementing Decision C(2014)1921 of 26 March 2014 establishing a Multi-Annual Work Programme 2014-2020 for financial assistance in the field of the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) – Transport sector for the period 2014-2020.

⁴ Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on Union guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network and repealing Decision No 661/2010/EU (OJ L 348, 20.12.2013, p. 1).

- (5) The objectives and priorities set out in the multiannual work programme for the CEF Transport are in line with the Union priorities, notably those related to 'Jobs, growth and investment', 'Digital single market' and 'Energy Union and climate'.
- (6) In order to ensure consolidation of all budgetary commitments of the Connecting Europe Facility – Transport sector from 2014 onwards, Annex III of Decision C(2014)1921 should be replaced by an updated Annex.
- (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 provide for flexibility in the implementation of the multiannual work programme, 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 measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the CEF Coordination Committee established by Article 25 of Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Implementing Decision C(2014)1921 is amended as follows:

- (1) Article 2 is replaced by the following:

“Article 2

Union contribution

The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the programme for 2014 - 2020 is set at EUR 23,423,344,377 and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following lines of the general budget of the Union:

- (a) budget line 06020101: Removing bottlenecks, enhancing rail interoperability, bridging missing links and improving cross-border sections: EUR 8,469,927,065, out of which, for Programme Support Actions: EUR 82,993,815;
- (b) budget line 06020102: Ensuring sustainable and efficient transport systems: EUR 852,930,819, out of which, for Programme Support Actions: EUR 28,222,695;
- (c) budget line 06020103: Optimising the integration and interconnection of transport modes and enhancing interoperability: EUR 2,850,643,563, out of which, for Programme Support Actions: EUR 130,169,406, and for contribution to an entrusted body - the SESAR Joint Undertaking: EUR 10,000,000;
- (d) budget line 06020104: Connecting Europe Facility – Cohesion Fund allocation: EUR 11,249,842,930, out of which, for Programme Support Actions: EUR 21,433,893.

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

The implementation of this Decision is subject to the availability of the appropriations provided for in the general budget of the Union for 2020 following the adoption of that budget by the budget authority”;

- (2) Annex II quinquies entitled “CEF - Transport funding referring to objectives and priorities to be implemented by calls for proposals under the Multi-Annual Work Programme 2014-2020 in 2019” set out in Part I of the Annex to this Decision is inserted to Implementing Decision C(2014)1921.
- (3) Annex III to Implementing Decision C(2014)1921 is replaced by the text in Part II of the Annex to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 16.10.2019

For the Commission
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