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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Directive 2008/68/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 September 2008 on the inland transport of dangerous goods, in particular Article 8(2) thereof¹,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on European statistics²,

Having regard to Council Decision 2012/243/EU of 8 March 2012 on the conclusion of a Memorandum of Cooperation between the European Union and the International Civil Aviation Organization providing a framework for enhanced cooperation, and laying down procedural arrangements related thereto³,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) no 99/2013 of the European Parliament and of the council of 15 January 2013 on the European statistical programme 2013-2017, in particular Article 8 thereof⁴,

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 Union, in particular Articles 30(4) and 54(2) (d) thereof⁵,

Whereas:

- (1) In order to ensure implementation of the general actions in the area of mobility and transport for the year 2016, it is necessary to adopt a financing decision as well as a corresponding work programme,
- Given that the 2016 work programme contains the information specified in Article 94(2) of the Rules of Application, the decision adopting it constitutes itself a financing decision. It is appropriate to authorise award of grants without a call for proposals to the bodies referred to in the work programme for the reasons provided therein, in accordance with Article 190(1) (d) of 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,
- (3) Article 54(2)(d) of the Financial Regulation provides that appropriations for actions carried out by the Commission by virtue of tasks resulting from its prerogatives at institutional level under the TFEU or Euratom Treaty may be implemented without a basic act,
- (4) It is necessary to allow 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) No 1268/2012,

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OJ L 260, 30.9.2008, p. 18

² OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 164

OJ L 121, 8.5.2012, p. 16

OJ L 39, 9.02.2013, P.12

⁵ OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1

- (5) In order to allow for flexibility in the implementation of the work programme, it is appropriate to define the term 'substantial change' within the meaning of Article 94(4) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012,
- (6) Grants and contracts relating to specific programmes are the subject of separate work programmes adopted by the Commission and serving as financing decisions,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1 The work programme

- 1. The work programme in the field of mobility and transport for 2016, as set out in the Annex, is hereby adopted.
- 2. The annual work programme constitutes a financing decision within the meaning of Article 84 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 966/2012.

Article 2 Union contribution

- 1. The maximum contribution for the implementation of the programme for the year 2016 is set at EUR 14 905 000, and shall be financed from the following lines of the general budget of the European Union for 2016:
- (a) budget line 06.0205 Support activities to the European transport policy and passenger rights including communication activities : EUR 12 705 000,
- (b) budget line 06.0206 Transport security: EUR 2 200 000.
- 2. The appropriations provided for in the first paragraph may also cover interest due for late payment.
- 3. The implementation of this Decision is subject to the availability of the appropriations provided for in the draft budget for 2016 after the adoption of the budget for 2016 by the budgetary authority or as provided for in the system of provisional twelfths.

Article 3 Flexibility clause

- 1. Cumulated changes⁶ to the allocations to specific actions not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution set in Article 2 of this Decision shall not be considered to be substantial within the meaning of Article 94(4) of Delegated Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1268/2012, where those changes do not significantly affect the nature of the actions and objective of the work programme. The increase of the maximum contribution set in Article 2 of this Decision shall not exceed 20%.
- 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.

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

Article 4 Grants

Grants may be awarded without a call for proposals to the bodies referred to in point 1.2.1, 1.2.2 and 1.2.3 of the Annex, in accordance with the conditions set out therein.

Done at Brussels, 9.11.2015

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