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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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


Having regard to Regulation (EC) 996/2010 on the investigation and prevention of accidents and incidents in civil aviation, in particular Article 7(7) thereof2,

Having regard to Memorandum of Cooperation between the European Union and the International Civil Aviation Organization providing a framework for enhanced cooperation, in particular Article 5.1.6 thereof 3, and 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 thereto4,

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 and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/20025, and in particular Articles54(2) (d) and 84(2) thereof6,

Whereas:

(1) In order to ensure implementation of the general actions in the area of mobility and transport it is necessary to adopt a financing decision and the work programme for 2017. Article 94 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/20127 establishes detailed rules on financing decisions.

(2) 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) of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 ,

(3) Article 54(2)(d) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 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,

1 OJ L 260, 30.9.2008, p. 18
2 OJ L 295, 12.11.2010, P. 35
3 OJ L 232, 9.9.2011, p. 5
4 OJ L 121, 8.5.2012, p. 16-17
6 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 annual work programme for the implementation of the general actions in the area of mobility and transport for 2017, as set out in the Annex, is 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 2017 is set at EUR 13 771 000, and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following lines of the general budget of the European Union for 2017:

   (a) budget line 06.0205 Support activities to the European transport policy and passenger rights including communication activities: EUR 11 821 000,

   (b) budget line 06.0206 Transport security: EUR 1 950 000.

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 general budget of the Union for 2017 after the adoption of that budget by the budgetary authority or as provided for in the system of provisional twelfths.

Article 3
Flexibility clause

1. Cumulated changes 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. Those changes shall be applied in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.

Article 4
Grants

These changes can come from assigned revenue made available after the adoption of the financing decision.
Grants may be awarded without a call for proposals to the bodies referred to in point 1.2 of the Annex, in accordance with the conditions set out therein.

Done at Brussels, 7.11.2016

For the Commission
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