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amending Commission Decision C(2010) 5698 of 11 August 2010 on the financing of emergency humanitarian actions in Pakistan from the budget of the European Union (ECHO/PAK/BUD/2010/02000)

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amending Commission Decision C (2010) 5698 of 11 August 2010 on the financing of emergency humanitarian actions in Pakistan from the general budget of the European Union

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/96 of 20 June 1996 concerning humanitarian aid¹, and in particular Articles 2(a) and 15(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Decision C(2010) 5698 adopted on 11 August 2010 provides for the funding of emergency humanitarian actions in favour of the population affected by the floods in Pakistan from the general budget of the European Union for a total amount of EUR 10,000,000 from budget article 23 02 01, starting from 22 July 2010.
- (2) Since the adoption of Decision C(2010) 5698 which was based on an estimate of 4 million of people affected by the flooding due to the monsoon rains (United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs – UNOCHA, 8 August), the situation rapidly and drastically worsened.
- (3) On 11 August, based on an estimate of 14 million flood-affected people, the United Nations (UN) launched a "Pakistan Initial Floods Emergency Response Plan" (PIFERP), which was agreed with the Government of Pakistan (GoP). The emergency response plan seeks USD 460 million (EUR 360.5 million) to enable UN organisations to support the GoP in addressing basic needs.
- (4) As of 13 August, over 1,300 people have died, and at least 722,000 homes were damaged or destroyed according to the Pakistan National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA).
- (5) Moreover, as the flooding continued in Sindh Province over the week-end of 14 and 15 August, the Government of Pakistan is currently estimating (15 August) that around 20 million people are now affected by the floods in the country, mainly in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK), Punjab and Sindh Provinces.

¹ OJ L 163, 2.7.1996, p. 1

- (6) The resilience and the capacity of people to cope, particularly in areas affected by conflict in KPK, are stretched. Many markets are still functioning, but the purchasing power of flood affected people has been dramatically curtailed.
- (7) Conditions in spontaneous concentrations of displaced flood affected people are miserable, with sanitation particularly poor; there is increasing morbidity, particularly watery diarrhoea amongst young children. Floods have contaminated and damaged water sources (springs and tube wells), depriving the population of clean drinking water. Also, tents and Non-Food Item (NFI) kits need to be provided to people living in spontaneous settlements near their homes and for those whose houses have been completely destroyed.
- (8) The national wheat stock is estimated to be at least 4 million metric tonnes and appears not to have been significantly affected by the floods so far. However urgent food assistance is still required in areas where people have lost everything. Moreover there will be medium term food security impacts due to disruption to the agricultural cycle for the winter plantings and shortages of fodder and disease amongst livestock.
- (9) The Commission adopted a non-emergency financing Decision (COM (2010) 5154) on 30 July 2010 to respond to the needs of the Internally Displaced Persons and of the local population affected by the internal conflict in Pakistan. A large proportion of these populations are located in some of the areas worst hit by the floods. The assistance provided under this Decision is being used to respond to some of the immediate needs of the intended conflict-affected populations who are now also - affected by the floods.
- (10) In view of this situation, there is an urgent need to scale up the emergency response to the most affected victims of the floods.
- (11) It is therefore appropriate to increase the amount of Decision C(2010) 5698 to save and preserve life of the populations affected by the floods in Pakistan by EUR 10,000,000 EUR from budget article 23.02.01 and by EUR 20,000,000 from budget article 23.02.02 and to amend Decision C(2010) 5698 accordingly.
- (12) In accordance with Article 17(2) of Council Regulation (EC) No.1257/96 of 20 June 1996, the Humanitarian Aid Committee gave a favourable opinion on 24 August 2010,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Decision C(2010) 5698 is amended as follows:

1. Article 1(1) is replaced by the following:

«1. In accordance with the objectives and general principles of humanitarian aid, the Commission hereby approves a total amount of EUR 40,000,000 for the financing of emergency humanitarian Actions in Pakistan from budget article 23.02.01 (EUR 20,000,000) and from budget article 23.02.02 (EUR 20,000,000) of the general budget of the European Union. »

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

«2. In accordance with Article 2(a) of Council Regulation No.1257/96, the principal objective of this Decision is to save and preserve life of the populations affected by the floods in Pakistan.

The humanitarian actions shall be implemented in the pursuance of the following specific objective:

- to improve the humanitarian situation of people affected by the floods in Pakistan by providing emergency humanitarian aid through multi-sectoral assistance.

A total of EUR 20,000,000 is allocated to this specific objective under budget article 23 02 01

- to provide food assistance and early recovery support to people affected by the floods in Pakistan.

A total of EUR 20,000,000 is allocated to this specific objective under budget article 23 02 02»

Done at Brussels,

For the Commission

Member of the Commission

Decision amending Humanitarian aid Decision C(2010) 5698

ECHO/PAK/BUD/2010/02000

Title: Commission Decision amending Commission Decision C(2010) 5698 of 11 August 2010 on the financing of emergency humanitarian actions in Pakistan from the general budget of the European Union

Location of Action: Pakistan

Amount of Decision: EUR 40,000,000

Decision reference number: ECHO/PAK/BUD/2010/02000

1- Explanatory Memorandum

Rationale for the modification

- Since the adoption, on 11 August 2010, of the emergency funding Decision which was based on an estimate of 4 million people affected by the flooding due to the monsoon rains (United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs – UNOCHA, 8 August), the situation worsened rapidly and drastically.
- On 11 August, based on an estimate of 14 million flood-affected people, the United Nations (UN) launched a "Pakistan Initial Floods Emergency Response Plan" (PIFERP), which was agreed with the Government of Pakistan (GoP). The emergency response plan seeks USD 460 million (EUR 360.5 million) to enable UN organisations to support GoP to address the basic needs.
- As of 13 August, over 1,300 people have died, and at least 722,000 homes were damaged or destroyed according to the Pakistan National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA).
- Moreover, as the flooding continued in Sindh Province over the week-end of 14 and 15 August, the Government of Pakistan is currently estimating (15 August) that around 20 million people are now affected by the floods in the country, mainly in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province (KPK), Punjab and Sindh Provinces.
- The resilience and the capacity of people to cope, particularly in areas affected by conflict in KPK, are stretched. Many markets are still functioning, but purchasing power of flood affected people has been dramatically curtailed.
- Conditions in spontaneous concentrations of displaced flood affected people are miserable, with sanitation particularly poor; there is increasing morbidity, particularly watery diarrhoea amongst young children. Floods have contaminated and damaged water sources (springs and tube wells), depriving the population of clean drinking water. Also, tents and Non-Food Item (NFI) kits need to be provided to people living in spontaneous settlements near their homes and for those whose houses have been completely destroyed.

- The national wheat stock is estimated to be at least 4 million metric tonnes and appears not to have been significantly affected by the floods so far. However, urgent food assistance is still required in areas where people have lost everything. Moreover, there will be medium term food security impacts due to disruption to the agricultural cycle for the winter plantings and shortages of fodder and disease amongst livestock. The Commission adopted a non-emergency financing Decision ECHO/PAK/BUD/2010/01000 on 30 July 2010 to respond to the needs of the Internally Displaced Persons and of the local population affected by the internal conflict in Pakistan. A large proportion of these populations are located in some of the areas worst hit by the floods. The assistance provided under this Decision is responding to some of the immediate needs of the intended conflict-affected populations, now also flood-affected.
- In view of this situation, there is an urgent need to scale up the emergency response to the most affected victims of the floods.

It is therefore appropriate to increase the amount of the Decision ECHO/PAK/BUD/2010/02000 by EUR 30,000,000 to scale up the emergency response to the most affected victims of the floods.

2. - Proposed amendment

In view of the situation described above and based on the findings of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection (DG ECHO) assessment, it is proposed:

- To increase the allocation of the existing specific objective - "To improve the humanitarian situation of people affected by the floods in Pakistan by providing emergency humanitarian aid through multi-sectoral assistance".
- To add another specific objective – "To provide food assistance and early recovery support to people affected by the floods in Pakistan".

It is proposed to increase the amount of the decision by EUR 10,000,000 from budget article 23 02 01 and by EUR 20,000,000 from budget article 23 02 02, bringing the total amount of the decision to EUR 40,000,000.

Since a new specific objective is added to the Decision, a modified summary decision matrix is attached to the present document (annex 1), with the list of potential partners for specific objective n° 2.

Annex 1 - Summary decision matrix (table)

Principal objective To save and preserve life of the populations affected by the floods in Pakistan				
Specific objectives	Allocated amount by specific objective (EUR)	Geographical area of operation	Activities	Potential partners¹
to improve the humanitarian situation of people affected by the floods in Pakistan by providing emergency humanitarian aid through multi-sectoral assistance	20,000,000	Pakistan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food assistance • Emergency Shelter and Non-Food Items (NFIs) • Health and psycho-social interventions • Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH) • Protection • Early recovery and livelihood support • Disaster preparedness and Disaster risk reduction (DRR) • Logistics 	<u>Direct centralised management</u> - ACH- ESP - ACTED - ACTIONAID – AGA KHAN - CARE - UK - CESVI - CROIX-ROUGE - AUT - CROIX-ROUGE - DEU - CROIX-ROUGE - DNK - CROIX-ROUGE - FRA - CROIX-ROUGE – SWE - DANCHURCHAID - DNK - IRC - UK - ISLAMIC RELIEF - OXFAM - UK - PLAN INTERNATIONAL UK - RI-UK - SAVE THE CHILDREN - UK <u>Joint management</u> - IFRC-FICR - IOM - UNICEF - WFP-PAM - WHO

¹ ACCION CONTRA EL HAMBRE, (ESP),ACTIONAID,AGENCE D'AIDE A LA COOPERATION TECHNIQUE ET AU DEVELOPPEMENT, (FR),AGA KHAN FOUNDATION (United Kingdom),CARE INTERNATIONAL UK,CESVI,CROIX-ROUGE FRANCAISE,DANSK RODE KORS, (DNK),DEUTSCHES ROTES KREUZ, (DEU),FOLKEKIRKENS NODHJAELP (FKN),FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DES SOCIETES DE LA CROIX-ROUGE ET DU CROISSANT ROUGE,INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION (INT),INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE,ISLAMIC RELIEF WORLDWIDE,OESTERREICHISCHES ROTES KREUZ (CROIX ROUGE), (AUT),OXFAM (GB),PLAN INTERNATIONAL (UK),Relief International-UK,SVENSKA RÖDA KORSET,THE SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND (GBR),UNICEF,WORLD FOOD PROGRAM,WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION - ORGANISATION MONDIALE DE LA SANTE

To provide food assistance and early recovery support to people affected by the floods in Pakistan	20,000,000		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food assistance • Early recovery and livelihood support • Disaster preparedness and Disaster risk reduction (DRR) • Logistics 	<u>Direct centralised management</u> - ACH- ESP - ACTED - ACTIONAID – AGA KHAN - CARE - UK - CESVI - CROIX-ROUGE - AUT - CROIX-ROUGE - DEU - CROIX-ROUGE - DNK - CROIX-ROUGE - FRA - CROIX-ROUGE – SWE - DANCHURCHAID - DNK - IRC - UK - ISLAMIC RELIEF - OXFAM - UK - PLAN INTERNATIONAL UK - RI-UK - SAVE THE CHILDREN - UK <u>Joint management</u> - IFRC-FICR - IOM - UNICEF - WFP-PAM - WHO
TOTAL	40,000,000			