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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("the Humanitarian Aid Regulation"), and in particular Article 2, notably 2 (c), Article 4 and Article 15(2) and (3) thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2001/822/EC of 27 November 2001 on the association of the overseas countries and territories with the European Community ("Overseas Association Decision")², and in particular Articles 21 and 30 thereof,

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 1605/2002 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Financial Regulation')³, and in particular Article 84(2) thereof;

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Decision C(2012)9883 adopted on 4 January 2013 provides for the financing of humanitarian aid operational priorities from the 2013 general budget of the European Union for a total amount of EUR 661 419 000 from budget articles 23 02 01, 23 02 02 and 23 02 03. The implementation period of this Decision runs from 1 January 2013 until 31 December 2014. This amount was raised to EUR 826 637 746 by Decision C(2013) 3445 adopted on 11 June 2013.
- (2) The Commission is committed to providing a humanitarian response in those areas where there are the greatest humanitarian needs. Accordingly, the humanitarian response may be subject to reorientation or scaling-up in the course of the implementation of actions when required by changing circumstances in the field which might affect existing humanitarian needs or generate new needs.
- (3) The global humanitarian context has been characterised by an increase in humanitarian needs in the context of both man made crises in locations such as Sudan and South

¹ OJ L 163, 2.7.1996, p. 1.

² OJ L 314 , 30.11.2001, p.1 amended by Appendix 2 to Annex III, OJ L 324, 7.12.2001, p.1.

³ OJ L298/1, 26.10.2012

Sudan, Chad, Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Somalia, Sahel, Syria, Pakistan as well as epidemics. Budgetary allocations within the specific objective should be revised accordingly, without prejudice to the flexibility for non-substantial changes to be adopted by the delegated authorising officer.

- (4) It is therefore appropriate to increase the overall amount of Decision C(2012)9883 to adapt the humanitarian response to the evolving humanitarian aid operational priorities by EUR 317 000 000, of which EUR 303 500 000 from budget article 23 02 01 and EUR 13 500 000 from budget article 23 02 02, to distribute this additional funding to the specific objectives fixed in that Decision, and to amend it accordingly. The Commission may acknowledge and accept contribution from other donors pursuant to Article 21(2)(b) of the Financial Regulation, subject to the signature of the relevant agreement, and should decide on the use of such contribution.
- (5) This Decision complies with the conditions laid down in Article 94 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29 October 2012 on the rules of application of Regulation No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (hereinafter referred to as 'the Rules of Application')⁴.
- (6) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Humanitarian Aid Committee established by Article 17(1) of the Humanitarian Aid Regulation,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Decision C(2012)9883 is amended as follows:

1. In Article 1, paragraphs (1) and (2) are replaced by the following:
 - "1. In accordance with the objectives and general principles of humanitarian aid, the Commission hereby approves a maximum amount of EUR 1 143 637 746, of which EUR 856 100 000 from budget article 23 02 01, EUR 251 400 000 from budget article 23 02 02 and EUR 36 137 746 from budget article 23 02 03, of the 2013 general budget of the European Union.
 2. In accordance with Article 2, notably 2(c), and Article 4 of the Humanitarian Aid Regulation, the humanitarian actions shall be implemented in the pursuance of the following specific objectives:
 - (a) Specific objective 1: To provide humanitarian and food assistance, relief and protection to vulnerable people affected by man-made crises, possibly aggravated by natural disasters, including new crises and existing crises where the scale and complexity of the humanitarian crisis is such that it seems likely to continue.

⁴ OJ L 362, 31.12.2012, p. 1.

A total of EUR 763 800 000 from budget article 23 02 01 and EUR 104 400 000 from budget article 23 02 02 is allocated to this specific objective.

(b) Specific objective 2: To provide humanitarian and food assistance, relief and protection to vulnerable people affected by natural disasters that have entailed major loss of life, physical and psychological or social suffering or material damage.

A total of EUR 47 500 000 from budget article 23 02 01 and EUR 141 800 000 from budget article 23 02 02 is allocated to this specific objective.

(c) Specific objective 3: To provide humanitarian assistance for response and disaster preparedness to populations affected by disasters where a small scale response is adequate and to populations affected by epidemic outbreaks.

A total of EUR 14 000 000 from budget article 23 02 01 is allocated to this specific objective.

(d) Specific objective 4: To support strategies and complement existing strategies that enable local communities and institutions to better prepare for, mitigate and respond adequately to natural disasters by enhancing their capacities to cope and respond, thereby increasing resilience and reducing vulnerability in the Caribbean, the Pacific, South America and South Asia.

A total of EUR 36 137 746 from budget article 23 02 03 is allocated to this specific objective.

(e) Specific objective 5: To improve the delivery of aid through transport and complementary activities aiming at increasing the effectiveness, efficiency, quality, timeliness and visibility of humanitarian actions.

A total of EUR 30 800 000 from budget article 23 02 01 and EUR 5 200 000 from budget article 23 02 02 is allocated to this specific objective.

This specific objective shall be met through achieving the following sub-specific objectives:

(i) Sub-specific objective 5.1: To strengthen the global humanitarian preparedness and response capacity of humanitarian partners by increasing the effectiveness and reinforcing the capacity of international humanitarian organisations and non-governmental organisations to assess, analyse, prepare and respond to humanitarian crises.

A total of EUR 15 800 000 from budget article 23 02 01 and EUR 5 200 000 from budget article 23 02 02 is allocated to this sub-specific objective.

(ii) Sub-specific objective 5.2: To improve the conditions for delivering humanitarian aid by supporting transport services to ensure that aid is accessible to beneficiaries.

A total of EUR 10 000 000 from budget article 23 02 01 is allocated to this sub-specific objective.

(iii) Sub-specific objective 5.3: To increase awareness, understanding and support on the part of EU citizens for humanitarian aid issues and the role which the European Union plays in the field, by organising high impact communication actions designed to enhance awareness, knowledge, understanding and support for humanitarian issues and to highlight the partnership between the Commission and its partners in delivering relief assistance to people affected by humanitarian crises.

A total of EUR 2 000 000 from budget article 23 02 01 is allocated to this sub-specific objective.

(iv) Sub-specific objective 5.4: To provide high quality European education and professional qualifications on humanitarian action that impact on humanitarian aid policy and practice.

A total of EUR 700 000 from budget article 23 02 01 is allocated to this sub-specific objective.

(v) Sub-specific objective 5.5: To increase the coherence, quality and effectiveness of humanitarian aid, by the provision of expertise to assist policy development in support to humanitarian aid actions and by reinforcing networking between humanitarian non-governmental organisations.

A total of EUR 2 300 000 from budget article 23 02 01 is allocated to this sub-specific objective.

2. Annexes 1 and 2 are replaced by the Annexes to this Decision.

Annex 1 reflects the above-mentioned allocations.

Annex 2 gives an indication of the contemplated allocation by countries/regions."

Done at Brussels, 14.8.2013

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

Annex 1
allocations by specific objective

	Specific Objective 1		Specific Objective 2		Specific Objective 3	Specific Objective 4	Specific Objective 5		TOTAL			
	Man-made crises		Natural Disaster		Small scale / Epidemics	DIPECHO	Transport and Complementary activities					
	23 02 01 Humanitarian Aid (in EUR)	23 02 02 Food Aid (in EUR)	23 02 01 Humanitarian Aid (in EUR)	23 02 02 Food Aid (in EUR)	23 02 01 Humanitarian Aid (in EUR)	23 02 03 Disaster Preparedness (in EUR)	23 02 01 Humanitarian Aid (in EUR)	23 02 02 Food Aid (in EUR)	23 02 01 Humanitarian Aid (in EUR)	23 02 02 Food Aid (in EUR)	23 02 03 Disaster Preparedness (in EUR)	TOTAL
TOTAL	763 800 000	104 400 000	47 500 000	141 800 000	14 000 000	36 137 746	30 800 000	5 200 000	856 100 000	251 400 000	36 137 746	1 143 637 746
TOTAL BY OBJECTIVE	868 200 000		189 300 000		14 000 000	36 137 746	36 000 000		1 143 637 746			

Annex 2
indicative allocations by country/region

Country/Region	Allocations for 2013 (in Euro)			
	23.0201 Humanitarian aid	23.0202 Food aid	23.0203 Disaster Preparedness	TOTAL
CENTRAL AFRICA, SUDAN & CHAD	164 700 000	49 300 000	0	214 000 000
Sudan & South Sudan	54 000 000	32 000 000		86 000 000
Chad (East and south)	15 000 000			15 000 000
Chad (Sahel)	13 000 000	9 000 000		22 000 000
Central African Republic	16 000 000	1 000 000		17 000 000
Democratic Republic of Congo	56 700 000	7 300 000		64 000 000
Echo-Flight	10 000 000			10 000 000
EAST, WEST AND SOUTHERN AFRICA, INDEAN OCEAN	121 200 000	137 300 000	0	258 500 000
Djibouti	500 000	1 500 000		2 000 000
Ethiopia	16 400 000	13 000 000		29 400 000
Kenya	10 500 000	10 000 000		20 500 000
Somalia	32 300 000	14 300 000		46 600 000
Zimbabwe	1 000 000	2 000 000		3 000 000
Sahel - Regional - (Burkina Faso, Chad, Niger, Nigeria, Mali, Mauritania and Sahel regions of neighbouring countries)	12 500 000	80 500 000		93 000 000
West Africa (Mali crisis)	44 000 000	10 000 000		54 000 000
West Africa (Ivorian crisis)	4 000 000	6 000 000		10 000 000
MEDITERRANEAN & MIDDLE EAST	424 000 000	11 000 000	0	435 000 000
Occupied Palestinian Territory	24 000 000	11 000 000		35 000 000

Syrian Crisis	350 000 000			350 000 000
Iraq Crisis	7 000 000			7 000 000
Yemen	33 000 000			33 000 000
Algeria / Tindouf	10 000 000			10 000 000
CENTRAL ASIA & SOUTH WEST ASIA	58 400 000	23 600 000	0	82 000 000
Afghanistan	30 000 000			30 000 000
Pakistan	28 400 000	23 600 000		52 000 000
SOUTH ASIA, SOUTH EAST ASIA & PACIFIC	25 000 000	19 000 000	15 618 746	59 618 746
Bangladesh	2 000 000	9 000 000		11 000 000
Burma/Myanmar (Thailand)	12 000 000	7 000 000		19 000 000
India	4 000 000	2 000 000		6 000 000
Nepal		1 000 000		1 000 000
South Asia			12 600 000	12 600 000
Pacific			3 018 746	3 018 746
Philippines	7 000 000			7 000 000
LATIN AMERICA & CARIBBEAN	28 000 000	6 000 000	20 519 000	54 519 000
Central & South America			12 019 000	12 019 000
Colombia	11 000 000	2 000 000		13 000 000
Regional - LAC (Drought Initiative)		4 000 000		4 000 000
Haiti	15 000 000			15 000 000
Caribbean			8 500 000	8 500 000
Regional Central America/Mexico	2 000 000			2 000 000
WORLDWIDE	14 000 000	0	0	14 000 000
COMPLEMENTARY OPERATIONS	20 800 000	5 200 000	0	26 000 000
Enhanced Response Capacity	15 800 000	5 200 000		21 000 000
Policy Support	2 300 000			2 300 000

Information and Communication	2 000 000			2 000 000
NOHA	700 000			700 000
TOTAL	856 100 000	251 400 000	36 137 746	1 143 637 746