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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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


Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 236/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 laying down common rules and procedures for the implementation of the Union's instruments for financing external action, and in particular Article 2(1) thereof,

Whereas:


(2) It is now necessary to allow for a change in the implementation modalities of the concerned action, in particular adding one international organisation for activities in support to cultural initiatives for Afghan returnees and internally displaced persons (IDPs) (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization - UNESCO).

(3) Therefore UNESCO shall be entrusted with budget-implementation tasks under indirect management. This entity complies with the conditions set out in points (a) to (d) of the first subparagraph of Article 60(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 and the supervisory and support measures are in place as necessary.

(4) Therefore it is necessary to adopt a financing Decision, the detailed rules of which are set out in Article 94 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.

2 OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 95.
(5) The measure provided for in this Decision shall be communicated to the European Parliament and to the Member States through the Development Cooperation Instrument Committee established under Article 19 of Regulation (EU) No 233/2014 within one month following its adoption,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

**Sole Article**

Commission Implementing Decision C(2017) 6190 of 18.9.2017 on the Special Measure 2017 and 2018 on "Addressing migration and forced displacement challenges in Asia and the Middle East: a comprehensive regional EU Response" is modified as follows:

- the Annex is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 20.12.2017

*For the Commission*

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*Member of the Commission*