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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 2006\(^1\) laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI), and in particular Article 13(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The Commission has adopted the Strategy Paper for Morocco\(^2\) and the Multiannual Indicative Programme for 2011-2013\(^3\), point 5.2 of which cites the development of social policies as a priority area.


(3) The European Union’s maximum contribution under this Decision should cover any possible claims for payment of interest on late payments based on Article 83 of the Financial Regulation and Article 106(5) of the Implementing Rules.

(4) To ensure that any substantial change to this Decision is adopted using the same procedure as for the initial decision, the term ‘substantial change’ should be interpreted in the light of Article 90(4) of the Implementing Rules.

(5) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the ENPI Committee established under Article 26 of Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006.

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HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The 2012 special measure for Morocco, consisting of Support for the National Human Development Initiative (NHDI) – phase II, the text of which is attached, is hereby approved.

Article 2

The maximum contribution of the European Union to the 2012 special measure for Morocco is set at EUR 25 million to be financed from budget line 19 08 01 01 of the general budget of the European Union for 2012.

This maximum contribution shall also cover any interest on late payments.

Article 3

Cumulated changes in the allocations for specific measures not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution from the European Union are not considered to be substantial provided that they do not significantly affect the nature or objectives of the special measure. These changes may include an increase of up to 20% in the European Union’s maximum contribution.

The competent authorising officer may amend this Decision in order to make such non-substantial changes to the 2012 special measure for Morocco in accordance with the principles of sound financial management.

Done at Brussels, 23.11.2012

For the Commission
Štefan FÜLE
Member of the Commission
ANNEX

Action fiche for the Support Programme for the National Human Development Initiative (NHDI) – phase II