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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 2006 laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument1, and in particular Article 12 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The Commission has adopted the ENPI 2007-2013 Country Strategy Paper for the Republic of Moldova2 (hereinafter: Moldova) and the Multiannual Indicative Programme for the period 2007-20103, which indicates the priorities of Support for democratic development and good governance, Support for regulatory reform and administrative capacity building and Support for poverty reduction and economic growth.

(2) The objectives pursued by the Annual Action Programme are as follows:

Health Sector Policy Support Programme:
To support the prioritisation and implementation of the Moldovan Health Sector Strategy
To contribute to the improvement of the health of the population, expanding access, and improving the efficiency and quality of essential public health care services.

Justice, Liberties and Security – Improving border and migration management in the Republic of Moldova:
To contribute to the improvement of standards in the Justice, Liberties and Security field in Moldova through targeted interventions in line with the EU-Moldova Action Plan.
To improve border management capacity by increasing Moldovan Border Guard and Custom Services ability to detect trans-border crimes and by enhancing the inter-agencies cooperation at national and regional levels.
To support to the implementation of the EU-Moldova Mobility Partnership for migration.

Technical Assistance & Twinnings in support of the implementation of the EU-Moldova Action Plan:

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To support the Moldovan government administration and relevant institutions in the implementation and enforcement of the ENP Action Plan and any successor documents.

(3) The EU-Moldova Action Plan was adopted in 2005, for a period of three years. As the current Action Plan is approaching the end of its term, the Commission, in close cooperation with the Government of Moldova, is in the process of preparing a successor to the 2005 Action Plan, the purpose of which will be to update the priorities of the EU-Moldova neighbourhood relations.


(6) The Commission is required to define the term “substantial change” in the meaning of Article 90 (4) of Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002 to ensure that any substantial change in this decision shall follow the same procedure as the initial decision.

(7) The measures provided for in this decision are in accordance with the opinion of the ENPI Committee set up under Article 26 of Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

**Article 1**

The actions "Health Sector Policy Support Programme", "Justice, Liberties and Security – Improving border and migration management in the Republic of Moldova", "Technical Assistance & Twinnings in support of the implementation of the EU-Moldova Action Plan", which constitute the Annual Action Programme in favour of the Republic of Moldova, the text of which is set out in Annexes 1 to 3 to this decision, are approved.

**Article 2**

The maximum contribution of the Community is set at EUR 62,300,000.00 to be financed from budget line 19 08.01.03 of the general budget of the European Communities for 2008. This decision shall also cover any possible interest due for late payment.

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Article 3

Within the maximum indicative budget of all the specific actions, cumulated changes not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution of the Community are not considered to be substantial provided that they do not significantly affect the nature and objectives of the Annual Action Programme.

The authorising officer may introduce non substantial changes to the Action Programme in accordance with the principles of sound financial management

Done at Brussels, 11.12.2008

For the Commission
Benita FERRERO-WALDNER
Member of the Commission
ANNEXES
ENPI Annual Action Programme 2008 in favour of the Republic of Moldova:

– Annex 1: action fiche, "Health Sector Policy Support Programme".
– Annex 3: action fiche, "Technical Assistance & Twinning in support of the implementation of the EU-Moldova Action Plan".