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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to the Regulation (EC) n°1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 2006 laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI)\(^1\), and in particular Article 12 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\(^2\) (hereinafter referred to as 'the Financial Regulation'), and in particular Article 84(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Decision C(2012)8737 adopted on 5 December 2012 approved the action “Stimulating Sustainable Growth and Job Opportunities in Lebanon”. The original action aimed to kick-start the shift toward a green economy which would generate new job opportunities.

(2) While this objective is still relevant and still partly addressed through the component 2 supporting renewable energy and energy savings, the recent dramatically increasing influx of refugees from Syria to Lebanon has changed significantly the conditions and needs in the country. In this context, it was agreed with the Lebanese Government to reorient the project in order to address the development needs of refugees from Syria and of their hosting communities. The purpose of this modifying Decision is (i) to reorient the objectives and expected results towards supporting the Syrian refugees’ and their host communities and (ii) to change the management mode to proceeding with joint management with UNHCR and UNDP without signature of a Financing Agreement. The new title of the project is “Upgrading basic services in communities in Lebanon affected by the consequences of the conflict in Syria”.

(3) This Decision complies with the conditions laid down in Article 94 of the 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) 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,

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HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole article
Annex 3 of Decision C(2012) 8737 is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.
Done at Brussels, 3.10.2013

For the Commission
Štefan FÜLE
Member of the Commission
ANNEX
Action fiche “Upgrading basic services in communities in Lebanon affected by the consequences of the conflict in Syria”