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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 250/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014¹ establishing a programme² to promote activities in the field of the protection of the financial interests of the European Union (Hercule III Programme) and repealing Decision No 804/2004/EC, in particular Article 11 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 Union³ (hereinafter referred to as the 'Financial Regulation'), and in particular Article 84(2) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29 October 2012⁴ 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 (hereinafter referred to as the 'Rules of Application'), and in particular Articles 94 and 111 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In order to ensure the implementation of the Hercule III Programme, it is necessary to adopt a financing decision and work programme for 2015. Article 94 of the Rules of Application lays down detailed rules on financing decisions.
- (2) This Decision should allow for the payment of interest due on the basis of Article 92 of the Financial Regulation and Article 111(4) of the Rules of Application.
- (3) For the purpose of applying this Decision, it is appropriate to define the term 'substantial change' within the meaning of Article 94(4) of the Rules of Application,

¹ OJ L 84, 20 March 2014, p. 6.

² Hereinafter referred to as the 'Hercule III Programme'.

³ OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

⁴ OJ L 362, 31.12.2012, p. 1.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1
The work programme

The annual work programme for implementing the Hercule III Programme in 2015 as set out in the Annex is adopted.

The annual work programme constitutes a financing decision within the meaning of Article 84 of the Financial Regulation.

Article 2
Union contribution

The maximum contribution for implementation of the Programme in 2015 is set at EUR 14 067 100, and shall be financed from the budget article 24.02.01 of the general budget of the European Union for 2015.

The appropriations provided for in the first paragraph may also cover interest due for late payment.

Article 3
Flexibility clause

Cumulative changes to the allocations for the specific actions referred to in the annual work programme not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution set under Article 2 of this Decision are not considered to be substantial within the meaning of Article 94(4) of the Rules of Application, where those changes do not significantly affect the nature of the actions and objective of the work programme.

The authorising officer responsible may adopt the changes referred to in the first paragraph in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.

Done at Brussels, 8.4.2015

For the Commission
Kristalina GEORGIEVA
Vice-President