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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 laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI)<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Titles III and IV and articles 6(1)(b), 9 and 12(3) 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<sup>2</sup> (hereinafter referred to as 'the Financial Regulation'), and in particular Article 84(2) thereof,

#### Whereas:

- (1) The Commission has adopted on 27 November 2008 Decision C(2008)7406 approving the joint operational programme "Black Sea 2007-2013" for the ENPI Cross-Border Co-operation 2007-2013, with a budget of EUR 17,305,944, having the objective to achieve stronger regional partnerships and cooperation.
- (2) The Commission has adopted on 15 December 2009 the Decision C(2009)9907 amending Decision C(2008)7406 and setting the maximum contribution of the European Union for the period 2007-2013 at EUR 18,305,944.
- (3) The ENPI CBC Black Sea programme has in the meantime demonstrated a much higher absorption capacity than reflected in the decision C(2009)9907. Additional commitments for EUR 9,812,954 were made on the basis of the Decision C(2011)7685 "Cross Border Cooperation Multi-annual Indicative Programme 2011-2013" using funds available from the ENPI budget line 19 08 02 01. The total contribution of the European Union to the joint operational programme has been increased to a total of EUR 28,118,954. In addition, considering the decision of the Joint Monitoring Committee, where the main programme decisions are taken and where all participating countries are equally represented, to increase the budget

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- allocation of priority I and II and decrease the budget allocation for priority III, the division of budget allocation among proiorities has also changed.
- (4) It is appropriate to amend the joint operational programme "Black Sea 2007-2013" and to modify Decision C(2008)7406 accordingly.
- (5) The present Decision complies with the conditions laid down in the Article 94 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29 October 2012 on the rules of application of the Regulation No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union<sup>3</sup> (hereinafter reffered as 'the Rules of Application'),

# HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

#### Sole Article

Considering Decision C(2011)7685, the Decision C(2008)7406 is modified as follows:

- Article 2 is replaced by the following text:

"The maximum contribution of the European Union for the period 2007-2013 is set at EUR 28,118,954. This amount includes EUR 19,465,958 and EUR 8,652,996 respectively financed from budget lines 19 08 02 01 and 19 08 02 02 of the general budget of the European Union.

The corresponding tranches will be committed on a yearly basis.

This decision shall also cover any possible interest due for late payment."

Point 5 of the joint operational programme "Black Sea 2007-2013" is replaced by the text in Annex to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 11.7.2013

For the Commission Štefan FÜLE Member of the Commission

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> OJ L 362 of 31.12 2012, p.1.

# **ANNEX**

Annex to the joint operational programme "Black Sea 2007-2013"