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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

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 1605/2002¹, and in particular Article 84(2) thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 652/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 laying down provisions for the management of expenditure relating to the food chain, animal health and animal welfare, and relating to plant health and plant reproductive material amending Council Directives 98/56/EC, 2000/29/EC and 2008/90/EC, Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 882/2004 and (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Decisions 66/399/EEC, 76/894/EEC and 2009/470/EC², and in particular Article 6 and Article 36(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 2(1) of Commission Implementing Decision C(2015)4556³ sets the maximum financial contribution by the Union for emergency measures to combat African Swine Fever (ASF) in Estonia at EUR 790 000 for the period from 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2015.
- (2) Article 2(3) of that Implementing Decision lists the costs that are eligible for a financial contribution by the Union.
- (3) The ASF epidemiological situation has evolved and Estonia has applied emergency measures that have incurred additional costs that are not covered by the maximum financial contribution by the Union set in Article 2(1) and that are not listed as eligible costs in Article 2(3) of Implementing Decision C(2015)4556.

¹ OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

² OJ L 189, 27.6.2014, p. 1.

³ Commission Implementing Decision C(2015)4556 of 07 July 2015 on the adoption of a financing decision regarding the Union contribution to emergency measures to combat African swine fever in Estonia in 2015.

- (4) The emergency measures applied by Estonia to prevent the spread of ASF are in accordance with Council Directive 2002/60/EC⁴, and the additional costs incurred are necessary for the control of that disease.
- (5) Articles 2(1) (3) of Commission Implementing Decision C(2015)4556 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (6) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Article 2 of Implementing Decision C(2015)4556, is amended as follows:

1. Paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

'A maximum financial contribution by the Union of EUR 2 400 000,00 for emergency measures to combat ASF in Estonia shall be granted to this Member State for the costs listed in paragraph 3, for the period from 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2015.

It shall be financed from the following line of the general budget of the European Union for 2016: budget line 17.0404: EUR 19 000 000.'

2. Paragraph 3 is replaced by the following:

'3 The financial contribution by the Union shall be at the rate of 75% of the following eligible costs incurred:

- (a) Costs of compensation to owners for the value of their animals slaughtered or culled limited to the market value of such animals if they had not been affected by ASF;
- (b) Costs of slaughtering and culling the animals and related transport costs;
- (c) Costs of compensation to owners for the value of their destroyed products of animal origin, limited to the market value of those products immediately before any suspicion of ASF arose or was confirmed;
- (d) Costs of cleaning, desinsectisation and disinfection of holdings and equipment, based on the epidemiology and characteristics of the pathogen;
- (e) Costs for the transport and the destruction of the contaminated feeding stuffs and, where it cannot be disinfected, contaminated equipment: (none);
- (f) Costs of purchase, storage, administration or distribution of vaccines and baits as well as the costs of inoculation itself, if the Commission decides or authorises such actions: (none);
- (g) Costs of transport and disposal of carcasses;

⁴ Council Directive 2002/60/EC of 27 June 2002 laying down specific provisions for the control of African swine fever and amending Directive 92/119/EEC as regards Teschen disease and African swine fever (OJ L 192, 20.7.2002, p. 27).

- (h) Other essential costs: sampling of domestic pigs and wild boar; ELISA laboratory tests; PCR laboratory tests and purchase of equipment for disposal of carcasses and laboratory testing.'

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For the Commission
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