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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 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 Articles 6(3) and (5), 32, 33, 35, 36 (1), 43 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) With Commission Implementing Decision 2014/C 410/04³ a work programme for the year 2015 and the financing thereof was adopted. It is necessary to update the above mentioned decision in order to include additional actions identified after the adoption of that decision.
- (2) In order to ensure the implementation of activities starting early in 2016 in the food and feed area and to ensure the application of the food and feed and plant health legislation, it is necessary to adopt a work programme constituting a financing decision.
- (3) Article 94 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012⁴ establishes detailed rules on financing decisions.

OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

OJ L 189/1, 27.6.2014, p. 1.

Commission Implementing Decision 2014/C 410/04 of 17 November 2014 concerning the amendment of the work programme 2014 covered by Commission Implementing Decision 2014/C 166/05 and the adoption of a work programme and a financing for the year 2015 of activities in the food and feed area to ensure the application of the food and feed legislation (OJ C 410, 18.11.2014, p. 3.)

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29 October 2012 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 (OJ L 362, 31.12.2002, p. 1).

- (4) It is appropriate to authorise the award of grants without a call for proposals to the bodies identified in the work programme and for the reasons provided therein.
- (5) It is necessary to allow for the payment of interest due for late payment on the basis of Article 92 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 and Article 111(4) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012. In order to allow for flexibility in the implementation of the work programme,, it is appropriate to define the term 'substantial change' within the meaning of Article 94(4) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012.
- (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 Amending Commission Implementing Decision 2014/C 410/04

The amendment of the work programme mentioned in Commission Implementing Decision 2014/C 410/04, as set out in the Annex, is adopted.

Article 2 Approval of a work programme for 2016

The work programme for 2016 for the implementation of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014, as set out in the Annex, is adopted.

Article 3 Financing decision

The annual work programmes mentioned in Articles 1 and 2 constitute a financing decision within the meaning of Article 84 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012.

Article 4 Union contribution

The maximum contribution for the implementation of the programme for the year 2015 is set at EUR 15 020 560 and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following line of the general budget of the European Union for 2015:

budget 2015 17.0403 15 020 560 EUR

The maximum contribution for the implementation of the programme for the year 2016 is set at EUR 8 700 000 and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following lines of the general budget of the European Union for 2016:

budget 2016 17.0401 6 000 000 EUR budget 2016 17.0403 2 700 000 EUR

The implementation of this Decision is subject to the availability of the appropriations provided for in the draft general budget of the Union for 2016, following the adoption of that budget by the budgetary authority or as provided for in the system of provisional twelfths.

The appropriations mentioned above may also cover interest due for late payment.

Article 5 Flexibility clause

Cumulated changes to the allocations to specific actions within each work programme not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution set in Article 4 of this Decision shall not be considered to be substantial within the meaning of Article 94(4) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012, where those changes do not significantly affect the nature of the actions and the objective of the work programme. The increase of the maximum contribution set in Article 4 of this Decision shall not exceed 20 %.

In implementing this decision, the authorising officer responsible may apply the type of changes referred to in the first paragraph in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.

Article 6 **Grants**

Grants may be awarded without a call for proposals to the bodies referred to in point 2.4 of the Annex, in accordance with the conditions set out therein.

Done at Brussels, 30.6.2015

For the Commission Vytenis ANDRIUKAITIS Member of the Commission