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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 Articles 84 and 128 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 36 (1) and (2) thereof.

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Decision C(2017) 2841 on the adoption of the multiannual programme for 2018, 2019 and 2020 for the implementation of veterinary programmes for animal diseases and zoonoses was adopted on 2 May 2017.
- (2) In order to ensure financial support by the Union to the multiannual work programme for the implementation of veterinary programmes for animal diseases and zoonoses by Member States' competent authorities, it is necessary to adopt a decision on the financing of that work programme. Article 94 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012³ establishes detailed rules on financing decisions.
- (3) According to Article 13(5) of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014, in case of approval of multiannual national programmes, budgetary commitments are divided into annual instalments for 2018, 2019, and 2020.

¹ OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

² OJ L 189, 27.6.2014, p. 1.

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, 31.12.2012, p. 1).

- (4) 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 Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012⁴.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Union contribution for veterinary programmes for animal diseases and zoonoses

The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the Union co-funded veterinary programmes for animal diseases and zoonoses for 2018, 2019, and 2020 is set at EUR 476 500 000 and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following line of the general budget of the European Union for 2018, 2019, and 2020 - **budget line 17.0401:**

EUR 161 500 000 for 2018;

EUR 158 000 000 for 2019;

EUR 157 000.000 for 2020.

Implementation of this Decision is subject to the availability of the appropriations provided for in the budgets for 2018, 2019, and 2020 after their adoption by the budgetary authority or subject to the system of provisional twelfths.

Article 2

Flexibility clause

Cumulated changes to the allocations to specific actions not exceeding 20 % of the maximum Union contribution set out in Article 1 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 contributions set out in Article 1 of this Decision shall not exceed 20 %.

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, 31.5.2017

For the Commission

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⁴ 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, p. 1.