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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) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012¹ ('the Financial Regulation'), and in particular Article 110 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2021/690 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 April 2021 establishing the Programme for the internal market, competitiveness of enterprises, including small and medium-sized enterprises, the area of plants, animals, food and feed, and European statistics (Single Market Programme) and repealing Regulations (EU) No 99/2013, (EU) No 1287/2013, (EU) No 254/2014 and (EU) No 652/2014², and in particular Article 16 (4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In order to ensure the implementation of the veterinary and phytosanitary programmes referred to in Annex I (2) and (3) of the Single Market Programme, it is necessary to adopt a multiannual financing decision, which constitutes the multiannual work programme for the years 2023 and 2024, pursuant to Article 16 of the Single Market Programme.
- (2) The envisaged assistance is to comply with the conditions and procedures set out by the restrictive measures³ adopted pursuant to Article 215 TFEU.
- (3) Pursuant to Article 6(2)(c) of the Commission Implementing Decision C(2021)953⁴, the European Health and Digital Executive Agency ('HaDEA') is entrusted with the implementation of projects and activities under the Single Market Programme;

¹ OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1.

² OJ L 153, 3.5.2021, p. 1.

³ www.sanctionsmap.eu Note that the sanctions map is an IT tool for identifying the sanctions regimes. The source of the sanctions stems from legal acts published in the Official Journal (OJ). In case of discrepancy the OJ prevails.

⁴ Commission Implementing Decision C(2021) 953 of 12 February 2021 establishing the European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency, the European Health and Digital Executive Agency, the European Research Executive Agency, the European Innovation Council and SMEs Executive Agency, the European Research Council Executive Agency, and the European Education and Culture Executive Agency and repealing Implementing Decisions 2013/801/EU, 2013/771/EU, 2013/778/EU, 2013/779/EU, 2013/776/EU and 2013/770/EU.

- (4) It is appropriate to authorise the award of grants without a call for proposals and to provide for the conditions for awarding those grants.
- (5) In order to allow flexibility in the implementation of the work programme, it is appropriate to allow changes which should not be considered substantial for the purposes of Article 110(5) of the Financial Regulation.
- (6) The measures provided 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

The work programmes

The multi-annual financing decision, constituting the following annual work programmes for the implementation of the veterinary and phytosanitary programmes for the years 2023 and 2024, as set out in the Annex to this decision, is adopted.

Article 2

Union contribution

The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the veterinary and phytosanitary programmes for the years 2023 and 2024 is set at EUR 254 000 000 and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following line of the general budget of the Union:

- (a) budget line 03.0206 “Contributing to a high level of health and welfare for humans, animals and plants”: EUR 254 000 000;

The implementation of this Decision is subject to the availability of the appropriations :

- (a) as provided for in the draft general budget of the Union for 2023, following the adoption of that budget by the budget authority or as provided for in the system of provisional twelfths;
- (b) as provided for in the general budget of the Union for 2024 following the adoption of that budget by the budget authority.

The financing decision shall enter into force on the day of adoption of the budget by the budget authority.

Article 3

Flexibility clause

Cumulated changes to the allocations to specific actions not exceeding 20% of the maximum Union contribution set in Article 2, first paragraph, of this Decision shall not be considered to be substantial for the purposes of Article 110(5) of the Financial Regulation, where those changes do not significantly affect the nature of the actions and the objective of the work programme. The increase of the maximum Union contribution as well as the increase of Union contribution for each budget line referred to in Article 2, first paragraph, of this Decision shall not exceed 20%.

The authorising officers responsible for the budget lines referred to in Article 2, first paragraph, may apply the changes referred to in the first paragraph of this Article. Those

changes shall be applied in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.

Article 4

Grants

Grants may be awarded without a call for proposals in accordance with the conditions set out in the Annex. Grants may be awarded to the bodies referred to in the Annex, according to Article 195 of the Financial Regulation.

Done at Brussels, 2.6.2022

For the Commission

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