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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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 Article 12 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission has adopted the ENPI Strategy Paper 2007-2013 for the Republic of Moldova and the Multiannual Indicative Programme for the period 2007-2010<sup>2</sup>, which indicates as priorities support for democratic development and good governance, support for regulatory reform and administrative capacity building, support for poverty reduction and economic growth and implementation of the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP) Action Plan.
- (2) The objectives pursued by the Annual Action Programme are to support the Republic of Moldova in the implementation of reforms in its water and sanitation sector, and to strengthen public administration institutions in the Republic of Moldova and to support them in implementing effectively the commitments set forth in the ENP Action Plan and their national reform programmes and implementing measures foreseen by bilateral agreements between the Republic of Moldova and the EU in coherence with the actions under the EU Water Initiative in the Republic of Moldova.
- (3) The present decision constitutes a financing decision within the meaning of Article 75 of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities<sup>3</sup> and Article 90 of Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002 of 23 December 2002 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities<sup>4</sup>.
- (4) The present decision covers any possible interest due for late payment on the basis of articles 83 of the Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 and 106(5) of Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002.
- (5) The Commission is required to define the term “substantial change” in the meaning of Article 90 (4) Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002 to ensure that any substantial change in this decision shall follow the same procedure as the initial decision.
- (6) The measures provided for in this decision are in accordance with the opinion of the ENPI Committee set up under Article 26 of Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006,

<sup>1</sup> OJEU L 310, 9.11.2006, p. 1

<sup>2</sup> C(2007) 672

<sup>3</sup> OJEU L 248 of 16.09.2002, p. 1

<sup>4</sup> OJEU L 357 of 31.12.2002, p.1

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

The Annual Action Programme in favour of the Republic of Moldova, constituted by the actions "Sector Policy Support Programme in the Water sector" and "Technical assistance and twinning in support of the implementation of the EU-Republic of Moldova Action Plan", the text of which is set out in the attached Annexes, is approved.

*Article 2*

The maximum contribution of the Community is set at EUR 52 million to be financed from budget line 19 08 01 03 of the general budget of the European Communities for 2009.

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

*Article 3*

Within the maximum indicative budget of all the specific actions, cumulated changes not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution of the Community shall not be considered substantial, provided that they do not significantly affect the nature and objectives of the Annual Action Programme.

The authorising officer may introduce non substantial changes to the Annual Action Programme in accordance with the principles of sound financial management.

Done at Brussels, 9.6.2009

*For the Commission*  
*Benita FERRERO-WALDNER*  
*Member of the Commission*

## ANNEXES

Annual Action Programme 2009 in favour of the Republic of Moldova

**Annex 1:** Action Fiche (Sector Policy Support Programme in the Water sector)

**Annex 2:** Action Fiche (Technical assistance and twinning in support of the implementation of the EU-Republic of Moldova Action Plan)