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Subject: Council Decision on the financial contributions to be paid by Member States to finance the European Development Fund in 2013 and 2014, including the first instalment for 2013

NB: THIS DOCUMENT CONSTITUTES A <u>REQUEST FOR PAYMENT</u> OF MEMBER STATES' CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE EUROPEAN DEVELOPMENT FUND

COMMON GUIDELINES

Consultation deadline for Croatia: 12.11.2012

COUNCIL DECISION

on the financial contributions to be paid by Member States to finance the European Development Fund in 2013 and 2014, including the first instalment for 2013

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Partnership Agreement between the members of the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States of the one part, and the European Union and its Member States of the other part, signed in Cotonou (Benin) on 23 June 2000¹, revised in Luxembourg (Grand Duchy of Luxembourg) on 25 June 2005², and revised for the second time in Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso) on 22 June 2010³,

Having regard to Decision 1/2006 of the ACP-EU Council of Ministers of 2 June 2006, specifying the multiannual financial framework for the period 2008 to 2013 and modifying the revised ACP-EU Partnership Agreement⁴,

OJ L 317, 15.12.2000, p. 3.

OJ L 209, 11.8.2005, p. 27.

OJ L 287, 4.11.2010, p.1, 3 and 68.

⁴ OJ L 247, 9.9.2006, p. 22.

Having regard to the Internal Agreement between the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, on the Financing and Administration of Community Aid under the Financial Protocol to the Partnership Agreement between the African, Caribbean and Pacific States and the European Community and its Member States signed in Cotonou (Benin) on 23 June 2000 and the allocation of financial assistance for the Overseas Countries and Territories to which Part Four of the EU Treaty applies, and in particular Article 10(1) thereof⁵,

Having regard to the Internal Agreement between the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, on the financing of Community aid under the multiannual financial framework for the period 2008 to 2013 in accordance with the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement and on the allocation of financial assistance for the Overseas Countries and Territories to which Part Four of the EU Treaty applies, and in particular Article 7 thereof⁶,

Having regard to Council Decision (2007/549/EC) of 16 July 2007 modifying the Internal Agreement between the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, on the financing of Community aid under the multiannual financial framework for the period 2008-2013 in accordance with the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement and the allocation of the financial assistance for the Overseas Countries and Territories to which part Four of the EU Treaty applies⁷,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 215/2008 of 18 February 2008 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the 10th European Development Fund⁸, and in particular Article 57 (2) thereof,

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Having regard to the proposal from the Commission⁹,

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⁵ OJ L 317, 15.12.2000, p. 355.

⁶ OJ L 247, 9.9.2006, p. 32.

⁷ OJ L 202, 3.8.2007, p. 35.

⁸ OJ L 78, 19.3.2008, p. 1.

⁹ Document 15250/12 - COM(2012) 598 final.

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with the procedure laid down in Articles 57 to 61 of the 10th EDF Financial Regulation, the Commission should present a proposal by 15 October 2012 specifying the ceiling for the annual amount of the Member States European Development Fund (EDF) contribution for 2014, the annual amount of the contribution for 2013 and the amount of the first instalment of the contribution for 2013.
- (2) Article 58(2) of the 10th EDF Financial Regulation provides that calls for contributions first use up the amounts laid down for previous EDFs. Therefore a call for funds under the 9th EDF should be made also on the basis of Article 58 (2) of the 10th EDF Financial Regulation.
- (3) In accordance with the first paragraph of Article 145 of the 10th EDF Financial Regulation, the European Investment Bank has sent the Commission its updated estimates of commitments and payments under the instruments it manages.
- (4) The Council should decide on this proposal by 15 November 2012, and Member States should pay the first instalment of the contribution for 2013 at the latest by 21 January 2013,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The ceiling for the annual amount of the Member States EDF contributions for 2014 is hereby set at EUR 3,250,000,000 for the Commission, and at EUR 360,000,000 for the European Investment Bank.

Article 2

The annual amount of the Member States EDF contributions for the year 2013 is hereby set at EUR 3,100,000,000 for the Commission, and at EUR 250,000,000 for the European Investment Bank.

Article 3

The individual EDF contributions to be paid by the Member States to the Commission and to the European Investment Bank as the first instalment for 2013 are set out in the table in the Annex.

Article 4

This decision shall apply from the date of its adoption.

Article 5

This decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President

ANNEX

First instalment of EDF Contributions for 2013 (EUR)

MEMBER STATES	Key 9th EDF	Key 10th EDF	1st instalment		
	%	%	paid to EIB 9th EDF	paid to Commission 10th EDF	Total 1st instalment
BELGIUM	3.92	3.53	3,920,000	65,305,000	69,225,000
DENMARK	2.14	2.00	2,140,000	37,000,000	39,140,000
GERMANY	23.36	20.50	23,360,000	379,250,000	402,610,000
GREECE	1.25	1.47	1,250,000	27,195,000	28,445,000
SPAIN	5.84	7.85	5,840,000	145,225,000	151,065,000
FRANCE	24.30	19.55	24,300,000	361,675,000	385,975,000
IRELAND	0.62	0.91	620,000	16,835,000	17,455,000
ITALY	12.54	12.86	12,540,000	237,910,000	250,450,000
LUXEMBOURG	0.29	0.27	290,000	4,995,000	5,285,000
NETHERLANDS	5.22	4.85	5,220,000	89,725,000	94,945,000
AUSTRIA	2.65	2.41	2,650,000	44,585,000	47,235,000
PORTUGAL	0.97	1.15	970,000	21,275,000	22,245,000
FINLAND	1.48	1.47	1,480,000	27,195,000	28,675,000
SWEDEN	2.73	2.74	2,730,000	50,690,000	53,420,000
UNITED KINGDOM	12.69	14.82	12,690,000	274,170,000	286,860,000
BULGARIA		0.14		2,590,000	2,590,000
CZECH REPUBLIC		0.51		9,435,000	9,435,000
ESTONIA		0.05		925,000	925,000
CYPRUS		0.09		1,665,000	1,665,000
LATVIA		0.07		1,295,000	1,295,000
LITHUANIA		0.12		2,220,000	2,220,000
HUNGARY		0.55		10,175,000	10,175,000
MALTA		0.03		555,000	555,000
POLAND		1.30		24,050,000	24,050,000
ROMANIA		0.37		6,845,000	6,845,000
SLOVENIA		0.18		3,330,000	3,330,000
SLOVAKIA		0.21		3,885,000	3,885,000
TOTAL EUR-27	100.00	100.00	100,000,000	1,850,000,000	1,950,000,000