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## PROPOSAL

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Proposal for a

**COUNCIL DECISION**

**on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Protocol on the implementation of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe and the European Community**

## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

### 1. CONTEXT OF THE PROPOSAL

- **Reasons for and objectives of the proposal**

The Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe and the European Community<sup>1</sup> (hereinafter ‘the Agreement’) entered into force on 29 August 2011<sup>2</sup> and has since been renewed automatically. The previous Protocol to the Agreement, which entered into force on 23 May 2014, expired on 22 May 2018.

On the basis of the relevant negotiating directives<sup>3</sup>, the Commission conducted negotiations with the Government of the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe (hereinafter ‘São Tomé and Príncipe’) with a view to concluding a new Protocol to the Agreement. Following these negotiations, a new Protocol was initialled on 17 April 2019. The Protocol covers a period of five years from the date of its provisional application, i.e. from the date on which it is signed, as stated in Article 15 thereof.

- **Consistency with existing policy provisions in the policy area**

In accordance with the priorities of the Fisheries Policy reform<sup>4</sup>, the new Protocol provides fishing opportunities for Union vessels in São Tomé and Príncipe waters, on the basis of the best available scientific advice and following the recommendations of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT). This new Protocol takes into account the results of an evaluation of the previous Protocol (2014-2018) and of a forward-looking assessment of whether a new Protocol should be concluded. Both were carried out by external experts. The Protocol will also enable the European Union and São Tomé and Príncipe to work more closely on promoting sound exploitation of fisheries resources in São Tomé and Príncipe waters and to support efforts by São Tomé and Príncipe to develop its blue economy, in the interests of both parties.

The Protocol provides for fishing opportunities in the following categories:

- 28 freezer tuna seiners,
- 6 surface longliners.

- **Consistency with other Union policies**

The negotiation of a new protocol to the Fisheries Partnership Agreement with São Tomé and Príncipe forms part of the EU’s external action in relation to countries in the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Group of States and takes into account, in particular, Union objectives on respecting democratic principles and human rights.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 205, 7.8.2007, p. 36.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 31, 31.1.2013, p. 1.

<sup>3</sup> Adopted at the Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council on 18 December 2017.

<sup>4</sup> OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 22.

## **2. LEGAL BASIS, SUBSIDIARITY AND PROPORTIONALITY**

- **Legal basis**

The legal basis chosen is the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Article 43(2) of which establishes the Common Fisheries Policy and Article 218(5) the signing stage and the possibility of agreements between the Union and third countries applying provisionally.

- **Subsidiarity (for non-exclusive competence)**

The proposal falls under the exclusive competence of the European Union.

- **Proportionality**

The proposal is proportionate to the objective of establishing a legal, environmental, economic and social governance framework for fishing activities carried out by European Union vessels in third-country waters, as set out in Article 31 of the Regulation establishing the Common Fisheries Policy. It complies with those provisions as well as with those on financial assistance to third countries laid down in Article 32 of that Regulation.

## **3. RESULTS OF EX-POST EVALUATIONS, STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATIONS AND IMPACT ASSESSMENTS**

- **Ex-post evaluations/fitness checks of existing legislation**

In 2017, the Commission carried out an ex-post evaluation of the current Protocol to the Fisheries Partnership Agreement with São Tomé and Príncipe, along with an ex-ante evaluation of a possible renewal of the Protocol. The conclusions of the evaluation are presented in a separate working document<sup>5</sup>.

The evaluation report concluded that the EU's tuna fishing sector has a strong interest in fishing in São Tomé and Príncipe and that a renewal of the Protocol would help strengthen monitoring, control and surveillance and contribute to improved governance of the fisheries in the region. The importance of the EEZ in the Gulf of Guinea contributes to the relevance of the envisaged new Protocol, both for the EU's tuna fishing sector and for the partner country.

- **Stakeholder consultation**

The Member States, industry representatives and international civil society organisations, as well as São Tomé and Príncipe's fisheries administration and civil society representatives, were consulted as part of the evaluation. Consultations also took place in the framework of the Long Distance Advisory Council.

- **Collection and use of expertise**

The Commission used an independent consultant for the ex-post and ex-ante evaluations, in accordance with the provisions of Article 31(10) of the Regulation establishing the Common Fisheries Policy.

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<sup>5</sup> SWD(2017) 434 final, 1.12.2017.

#### **4. BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS**

The annual financial contribution from the European Union is EUR 840 000, based on:

a) a reference tonnage of 8 000 tonnes per year, for which an amount linked to access has been set at EUR 400 000 per year for the entire duration of the Protocol.

b) support for the development of São Tomé and Príncipe's sectoral fisheries policy amounting to EUR 440 000 per year for the entire duration of the Protocol. This support meets the objectives of São Tomé and Príncipe's national policy on the sustainable management of its continental and maritime fishery resources for the entire duration of the Protocol.

The annual amount for commitment and payment appropriations is established during the annual budgetary procedure, including for the reserve line for protocols not having entered into force at the beginning of the year<sup>6</sup>.

#### **5. OTHER ELEMENTS**

- **Implementation plans and monitoring, evaluation and reporting arrangements**

The monitoring arrangements are provided for in the Protocol.

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<sup>6</sup> In accordance with the Interinstitutional Agreement on cooperation in budgetary matters (2013/C 373/01).

Proposal for a

## COUNCIL DECISION

### **on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Protocol on the implementation of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe and the European Community**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 43(2) in conjunction with Article 218(5) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) On 23 July 2007, the Council adopted Regulation (EC) No 894/2007<sup>7</sup> on the conclusion of a Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe and the European Community (hereinafter ‘the Agreement’)<sup>8</sup>. The Agreement entered into force on 29 August 2011 and remains in force.
- (2) The previous Protocol on the implementation of the Agreement expired on 22 May 2018.
- (3) On 18 December 2017, the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations with the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe with a view to concluding a new Protocol on the implementation of the Agreement (hereinafter ‘the Protocol’). The negotiations were concluded successfully and the Protocol was initialled on 17 April 2019.
- (4) The objective of the Protocol is to enable the European Union and São Tomé and Príncipe to work more closely on promoting a sustainable fisheries policy and sound exploitation of fisheries resources in São Tomé and Príncipe waters and to support efforts by São Tomé and Príncipe to develop its fisheries sector.
- (5) The Protocol should therefore be signed on behalf of the Union, subject to its conclusion at a later date.
- (6) In order to ensure an expeditious start to fishing activities by Union vessels, the Protocol should be applied provisionally,

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<sup>7</sup> Council Regulation (EC) No 894/2007 on the conclusion of a Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe and the European Community (OJ L 205, 7.8.2007, p. 35).

<sup>8</sup> OJ L 205, 7.8.2007, p. 36.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The signing of the Protocol on the implementation of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe and the European Community (hereinafter ‘the Protocol’) is hereby authorised on behalf of the Union, subject to the conclusion of the said Protocol.

The text of the Protocol to be signed is attached to this Decision.

*Article 2*

The General Secretariat of the Council shall establish the instrument of full powers to sign the Protocol, subject to its conclusion, for the person(s) indicated by the negotiator of the Protocol.

*Article 3*

The Protocol should be applied provisionally as from the date of its signature, in accordance with Article 15 thereof, pending its entry into force.

*Article 4*

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels,

*For the Council  
The President*

## LEGISLATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### 1. FRAMEWORK OF THE PROPOSAL/INITIATIVE

1.1. Title of the proposal/initiative

1.2. Policy area(s) concerned

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*1.4.2. Specific objective(s)*

*1.4.3. Expected result(s) and impact*

*1.4.4. Performance indicators*

1.5. Grounds for the proposal/initiative

*1.5.1. Requirement(s) to be met in the short or long term, including a detailed timeline for implementing the initiative*

*1.5.2. Added value of Union involvement (it may result from different factors, e.g. coordination gains, legal certainty, greater effectiveness or complementarity). For the purposes of this point, 'added value of Union involvement' is the value resulting from Union intervention which is additional to the value that would have been otherwise created by Member States alone.*

*1.5.3. Lessons learnt from similar experiences in the past*

*1.5.4. Compatibility with the multiannual financial framework and possible synergies with other appropriate instruments*

*1.5.5. Assessment of the different available financing options, including scope for redeployment*

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## LEGISLATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### 1. FRAMEWORK OF THE PROPOSAL/INITIATIVE

#### 1.1. Title of the proposal/initiative

Proposal for a Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the Union, and provisional application of the Protocol on the implementation of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe and the European Community.

#### 1.2. Policy area(s) concerned

11 – Maritime affairs and fisheries

11.03 – Compulsory contributions to regional fisheries management organisations (RFMOs) and other international organisations and sustainable fisheries agreements (SFAs)

11.03.01 – Establishing a governance framework for fishing activities carried out by Union fishing vessels in third-country waters.

#### 1.3. The proposal/initiative relates to:

a new action

a new action following a pilot project/preparatory action<sup>9</sup>

the extension of an existing action

a merger or redirection of one or more actions towards another/a new action

#### 1.4. Objective(s)

##### 1.4.1. General objective(s)

The negotiation and conclusion of Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements (SFPAs) with third countries meet the general objective of giving EU fishing vessels access to the fishing zones of third countries and developing a partnership with those countries with a view to strengthening the sustainable exploitation of fishery resources outside EU waters.

SFPAs also ensure consistency between the principles governing the Common Fisheries Policy and commitments made under other European policies (sustainable use of third-country resources, combating illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing, integration of partner countries into the global economy and better political and financial governance of fisheries).

<sup>9</sup> As referred to in Article 58(2)(a) or (b) of the Financial Regulation.

#### 1.4.2. *Specific objective(s)*

##### Specific objective No

To contribute to sustainable fishing in non-EU waters, maintain a European presence in distant-water fisheries and protect the interests of the European fisheries sector and consumers by negotiating and concluding SFPAs with coastal states, consistent with other European policies.

#### 1.4.3. *Expected result(s) and impact*

*Specify the effects that the proposal/initiative should have on the targeted beneficiaries/groups.*

The conclusion of the Protocol enables the establishment of a strategic fisheries partnership between the European Union and São Tomé and Príncipe. The conclusion of the Protocol will create fishing opportunities for Union vessels in São Tomé and Príncipe waters.

The Protocol will also contribute to better management and conservation of fishery resources, through financial support (sectoral support) for the implementation of programmes adopted at national level by the partner country, in particular as regards monitoring and combating illegal fishing, and support for the small-scale fisheries sector.

Finally, the Protocol will contribute to São Tomé and Príncipe's blue economy, promoting growth linked to maritime activity and the sustainable exploitation of its marine resources.

#### 1.4.4. *Performance indicators*

*Specify the indicators for monitoring progress and achievements.*

Fishing opportunity utilisation rates (annual uptake of fishing authorisations as a percentage of availability under the Protocol).

Catch data (gathering and analysis) and the commercial value of the Agreement.

Contribution to employment and to added value in the Union and to stabilising the Union market (in aggregate with other SFPAs).

Contribution to improving research, surveillance and control of fishing activity by the partner country and the development of its fisheries sector, in particular its small-scale fisheries sector.

### **1.5. Grounds for the proposal/initiative**

#### 1.5.1. *Requirement(s) to be met in the short or long term, including a detailed timeline for implementing the initiative*

It is intended that the new Protocol will apply provisionally from the date of its signature so as to minimise any interruption of fishing operations which are ongoing under the current Protocol.

The new Protocol will provide a framework for the fishing activities of the Union fleet in the fishing zone of São Tomé and Príncipe and will authorise EU vessel owners to apply for fishing authorisations to fish in that zone. In addition, the new Protocol enhances cooperation between the EU and São Tomé and Príncipe, with a view to promoting the development of a sustainable fisheries policy. It provides, in particular, for vessels to be monitored via VMS and for the electronic transmission of catch data. The sectoral support available under the Protocol will help São Tomé and Príncipe with its national fisheries strategy, including combating IUU fishing.

- 1.5.2. *Added value of Union involvement (it may result from different factors, e.g. coordination gains, legal certainty, greater effectiveness or complementarity). For the purposes of this point, 'added value of Union involvement' is the value resulting from Union intervention which is additional to the value that would have been otherwise created by Member States alone.*

If the Union did not conclude a new Protocol, this would impede the fishing activity of Union vessels as the Agreement contains a clause excluding fishing activities not taking place in the framework defined by a protocol to the Agreement. Consequently, the added value for the EU's long-distance fleet is very clear. The Protocol also provides a framework for enhanced cooperation between the Union and São Tomé and Príncipe.

- 1.5.3. *Lessons learnt from similar experiences in the past*

The analysis of past catches in the São Tomé and Príncipe fishing zone and of recent catches under similar protocols in the region, as well as the available assessments and scientific advice, have led the parties to set a reference tonnage for tuna and tuna-like species of 8 000 tonnes a year with fishing opportunities for 28 freezer tuna seiners and 6 surface longliners. Sectoral support has been set at a relatively high level to take into account needs with respect to building the capacity of São Tomé and Príncipe's fisheries authorities, the priorities of the national fisheries strategy and plans for supporting the blue economy of this coastal State.

- 1.5.4. *Compatibility with the multiannual financial framework and possible synergies with other appropriate instruments*

Funds provided as financial compensation for access under the FPA constitute fungible revenue in the national budget of São Tomé and Príncipe. However, funds intended for sectoral support are allocated (generally by introduction in the annual budget law) to the Ministry responsible for fisheries, as a condition for the conclusion and monitoring of FPAs. These financial resources are compatible with other sources of funding from other providers of international funding for carrying out projects and/or programmes at national level in the fisheries sector.

- 1.5.5. *Assessment of the different available financing options, including scope for redeployment*

## 1.6. Duration and financial impact of the proposal/initiative

### limited duration

- In force from 2019 to 2024
- Financial impact from 2019 to 2024 for commitment appropriations and from 2019 to 2024 for payment appropriations.

### unlimited duration

- Implementation with a start-up period from YYYY to YYYY,
- followed by full-scale operation.

## 1.7. Management mode(s) planned<sup>10</sup>

### Direct management by the Commission

- by its departments, including by its staff in the Union delegations;
- by the executive agencies

### Shared management with the Member States

### Indirect management by entrusting budget implementation tasks to:

- third countries or the bodies they have designated;
  - international organisations and their agencies (to be specified);
  - the EIB and the European Investment Fund;
  - bodies referred to in Articles 70 and 71 of the Financial Regulation;
  - public law bodies;
  - bodies governed by private law with a public service mission to the extent that they provide adequate financial guarantees;
  - bodies governed by the private law of a Member State that are entrusted with the implementation of a public-private partnership and that provide adequate financial guarantees;
  - persons entrusted with the implementation of specific actions in the CFSP pursuant to Title V of the TEU, and identified in the relevant basic act.
- *If more than one management mode is indicated, please provide details in the 'Comments' section.*

## Comments

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<sup>10</sup> Details of management modes and references to the Financial Regulation may be found on the BudgWeb site:  
<https://myintracomm.ec.europa.eu/budgweb/FR/man/budgmanag/Pages/budgmanag.aspx>. Diff.

## **2. MANAGEMENT MEASURES**

### **2.1. Monitoring and reporting rules**

*Specify frequency and conditions.*

The Commission (DG MARE, in cooperation with its fisheries attaché responsible for the region) will ensure regular monitoring of the implementation of the Protocol, as regards the use by operators of fishing opportunities, catch data and compliance with conditions for sectoral support.

The FPA provides for at least one annual meeting of the Joint Committee, at which the Commission and São Tomé and Príncipe will review the implementation of the Agreement and Protocol and, if necessary, adjust the programming and, if applicable, the financial contribution.

### **2.2. Management and control system(s)**

#### **2.2.1. *Justification of the management mode(s), the funding implementation mechanism(s), the payment modalities and the control strategy proposed***

Payments will be implemented in a decoupled manner as regards the contribution for access and the contribution for sectoral support.

The payments for access will be made annually on the anniversary date of the Protocol, except in the first year, when the payment will be made in the three months after the start of provisional application. Vessel access will be controlled by the issuing of fishing authorisations.

The support will be paid for the first time in the three months following agreement on an annual and multiannual implementation programme, then on the basis of the results obtained. The implementation rate, as established on the basis of reports or documentary evidence provided by the partner country and technical inspections carried out by the fisheries attaché, will be monitored.

#### **2.2.2. *Information concerning the risks identified and the internal control system(s) set up to mitigate them***

The identified risk is the under-use of fishing opportunities by EU vessel owners and the under-use or delayed use by São Tomé and Príncipe of funds intended to finance the sectoral fisheries policy.

Extensive dialogue is planned on the programming and implementation of the sectoral policy laid down in the Agreement and the Protocol. Joint analysis of results, as referred to in Article 5 of the Protocol, also forms part of these control methods.

In addition, the Agreement and the Protocol contain specific clauses for their suspension, under certain conditions and in given circumstances.

2.2.3. *Estimation and justification of the cost-effectiveness of the controls (ratio of ‘control costs ÷ value of the related funds managed’), and assessment of the expected levels of risk of error (at payment and at closure)*

Payments relating to access costs under Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements (SFPAs) are subject to checks aimed at ensuring their compliance with the provisions of international agreements. Checks relating to sectoral support are aimed at monitoring the implementation of the support. Monitoring is carried out by Commission staff in delegations and during Joint Committees. A multiannual programming matrix is used to evaluate progress. If progress is insufficient, the payment of the next tranche is suspended or possibly reduced. The overall cost of the checks on SFPAs is estimated to be around 1.8% (of the contributions in 2018). The procedures for checks on SFPAs are based largely on essential regulatory requirements. If no shortcomings that could have a significant impact on the legality and regularity of the financial transactions are detected, the checks are considered effective. The average error rate is estimated at 0.0%.

**2.3. Measures to prevent fraud and irregularities**

*Specify existing or envisaged prevention and protection measures, e.g. from the Anti-Fraud Strategy.*

The Commission undertakes to establish a political dialogue and regular coordination with São Tomé and Príncipe with a view to improving the management of the Agreement and the Protocol and strengthening the Union’s contribution to sustainable resources management. Any payment which the Commission makes under an FPA is subject to the Commission’s standard rules and budgetary and financial procedures. In particular, the bank accounts of the third countries into which the financial contribution is paid are fully identified. Article 3(10) of the Protocol provides that the financial contribution for access is to be paid to the Public Treasury of São Tomé and Príncipe, and the part intended for development of the sector into a dedicated public Fisheries Development Fund account.

### 3. ESTIMATED FINANCIAL IMPACT OF THE PROPOSAL/INITIATIVE

#### 3.1. Heading(s) of the multiannual financial framework and expenditure budget line(s) affected

- Existing budget lines

*In the order of multiannual financial framework headings and budget lines.*

Heading of multiannual financial framework	Budget line	Type of expenditure	Contribution			
	No	Diff./Non-diff. <sup>11</sup>	from EFTA countries <sup>12</sup>	from candidate countries <sup>13</sup>	from third countries	within the meaning of Article 21(2)(b) of the Financial Regulation
	11.03.01 Establishing a governance framework for fishing activities carried out by European Union fishing vessels in third-country waters (SFAs)	Diff.	NO	NO	NO	NO

- New budget lines requested

*In the order of multiannual financial framework headings and budget lines.*

Heading of multiannual financial framework	Budget line	Type of expenditure	Contribution			
	No	Diff./Non-diff.	from EFTA countries	from candidate countries	from third countries	within the meaning of Article 21(2)(b) of the Financial Regulation
	[XX.YY.YY.YY]		YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO

<sup>11</sup> Diff. = Differentiated appropriations / Non-diff. = Non-differentiated appropriations.

<sup>12</sup> EFTA: European Free Trade Association.

<sup>13</sup> Candidate countries and, where applicable, potential candidate countries from the Western Balkans.

### 3.2. Estimated financial impact of the proposal on appropriations

#### 3.2.1. Summary of estimated impact on operational appropriations

- The proposal/initiative does not require the use of operational appropriations
- The proposal/initiative requires the use of operational appropriations, as explained below:

EUR million (to three decimal places)

<b>Heading of multiannual financial framework</b>	No 2	Sustainable growth: natural resources
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DG: MARE			Year 2019	Year 2020	Year 2021	Year 2022	Year 2022	TOTAL
• Operational appropriations								
Budget line <sup>14</sup> 11.03.01	Commitments	(1a)	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	4.2
	Payments	(2a)	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	4.2
Budget line	Commitments	(1b)						
	Payments	(2b)						
Appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope of specific programmes <sup>15</sup>								
Budget line		(3)						
<b>TOTAL appropriations</b>	Commitments	=1a+1b+3	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	4.2

<sup>14</sup> According to the official budget nomenclature.

<sup>15</sup> Technical and/or administrative assistance and expenditure in support of the implementation of EU programmes and/or actions (former 'BA' lines), indirect research, direct research.

<b>for DG MARE</b>	Payments	=2a+2b +3	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	<b>4.2</b>

• TOTAL operational appropriations	Commitments	(4)	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	<b>4.2</b>
	Payments	(5)	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	<b>4.2</b>
•TOTAL appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope for specific programmes		(6)						
<b>TOTAL appropriations under HEADING 2</b> of the multiannual financial framework	Commitments	=4+ 6	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	<b>4.2</b>
	Payments	=5+ 6	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	<b>4.2</b>

**If more than one operational heading is affected by the proposal/initiative, repeat the section above:**

•TOTAL operational appropriations (all operational headings)	Commitments	(4)	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	<b>4.2</b>
	Payments	(5)	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	<b>4.2</b>
TOTAL appropriations of an administrative nature financed from the envelope for specific programmes (all operational headings)		(6)						
<b>TOTAL appropriations under HEADINGS 1 to 4</b> of the multiannual financial framework (Reference amount)	Commitments	=4+ 6	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	<b>4.2</b>
	Payments	=5+ 6	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	<b>4.2</b>

**Heading of multiannual financial framework**

**5**

‘Administrative expenditure’

This section should be filled in using the ‘budget data of an administrative nature’ to be introduced first in the [Annex to the Legislative Financial Statement](#) (Annex V to the internal rules), which is uploaded to DECIDE for inter-service consultation purposes.

EUR million (to three decimal places)

		Year 2019	Year 2020	Year 2021	Year 2022	Year 2023	TOTAL
DG: MARE							
• Human resources							
• Other administrative expenditure							
<b>TOTAL DG MARE</b>	Appropriations						

<b>TOTAL appropriations under HEADING 5 of the multiannual financial framework</b>	(Total commitments = Total payments)						
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EUR million (to three decimal places)

		Year 2019	Year 2020	Year 2021	Year 2022	Year 2023	TOTAL
<b>TOTAL appropriations under HEADINGS 1 to 5 of the multiannual financial framework</b>	Commitments	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	<b>4.2</b>
	Payments	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	0.840	<b>4.2</b>

3.2.2. Estimated output funded with operational appropriations

Commitment appropriations in EUR million (to three decimal places)

Indicate objectives and outputs ↓			Year 2019	Year 2020	Year 2021	Year 2022	Year 2023	TOTAL				
	Type <sup>16</sup>	Average cost	Number	Cost	Number	Cost	Number	Cost	Number	Cost	Total number	Total cost
SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE No 1 <sup>17</sup> ...												
- Access	Annual			0.400		0.400		0.400		0.400		2.000
- Sectoral	Annual			0.440		0.440		0.440		0.440		2.200
- Output												
Subtotal for specific objective No 1												
<b>TOTALS</b>				0.840		0.840		0.840		0.840		4.200

<sup>16</sup> Outputs are products and services to be supplied (e.g. number of student exchanges financed, number of km of roads built, etc.).

<sup>17</sup> As described in point 1.4.2. 'Specific objective(s)...'

### 3.2.3. Summary of estimated impact on administrative appropriations

- The proposal/initiative does not require the use of appropriations of an administrative nature.
- The proposal/initiative requires the use of appropriations of an administrative nature, as explained below:

EUR million (to three decimal places)

	Year N <sup>18</sup>	Year N+1	Year N+2	Year N+3	Enter as many years as necessary to show the duration of the impact (see point 1.6)	TOTAL
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<b>HEADING 5 of the multiannual financial framework</b>								
Human resources								
Other administrative expenditure								
<b>Subtotal HEADING 5 of the multiannual financial framework</b>								

<b>Outside HEADING 5<sup>19</sup> of the multiannual financial framework</b>								
Human resources								
Other expenditure of an administrative nature								
<b>Subtotal outside HEADING 5 of the multiannual financial framework</b>								

<b>TOTAL</b>								
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The appropriations required for human resources and other expenditure of an administrative nature will be met by appropriations from the DG that are already assigned to management of the action and/or have been redeployed within the DG, together if necessary with any additional allocation which may be granted to the managing DG under the annual allocation procedure and in the light of budgetary constraints.

<sup>18</sup> Year N is the year in which implementation of the proposal/initiative starts. Please replace 'N' by the expected first year of implementation (for instance: 2021). The same for the following years.

<sup>19</sup> Technical and/or administrative assistance and expenditure in support of the implementation of EU programmes and/or actions (former 'BA' lines), indirect research, direct research.

### 3.2.3.1. Estimated requirements of human resources

- The proposal/initiative does not require the use of human resources.
- The proposal/initiative requires the use of human resources, as explained below:

*Estimate to be expressed in full time equivalent units*

	Year N	Year N+1	Year N+2	Year N+3	Enter as many years as necessary to show the duration of the impact (see point 1.6)		
<b>• Establishment plan posts (officials and temporary staff)</b>							
XX 01 01 01 (Headquarters and Commission's Representation Offices)							
XX 01 01 02 (Delegations)							
XX 01 05 01/11/21 (Indirect research)							
10 01 05 01/11 (Direct research)							
<b>• External staff (in Full Time Equivalent unit: FTE)<sup>20</sup></b>							
XX 01 02 01 (AC, END, INT from the 'global envelope')							
XX 01 02 02 (AC, AL, END, INT and JPD in the delegations)							
<b>XX 01 04 yy<sup>21</sup></b>	- at Headquarters						
	- in Delegations						
XX 01 05 02/12/22 (AC, END, INT - Indirect research)							
10 01 05 02/12 (AC, END, INT - Direct research)							
Other budget lines (specify)							
<b>TOTAL</b>							

**XX** is the policy area or budget title concerned.

Human resources requirements will be met by staff from the DG who are already assigned to management of the action and/or have been redeployed within the DG, together if necessary with any additional allocation which may be granted to the managing DG under the annual allocation procedure and in the light of budgetary constraints.

Description of tasks to be carried out:

Officials and temporary staff	
External staff	

<sup>20</sup> AC = Contract Staff; AL = Local Staff; END = Seconded National Expert; INT = agency staff; JPD = Junior Professionals in Delegations.

<sup>21</sup> Sub-ceiling for external staff covered by operational appropriations (former 'BA' lines).

### 3.2.4. *Compatibility with the current multiannual financial framework*

The proposal/initiative:

- can be fully financed through redeployment within the relevant heading of the multiannual financial framework (MFF).

This concerns the use of the reserve line (Chapter 40).

- requires use of the unallocated margin under the relevant heading of the MFF and/or use of the special instruments as defined in the MFF Regulation.

Explain what is required, specifying the headings and budget lines concerned, the corresponding amounts, and the instruments proposed to be used.

- requires a revision of the MFF.

Explain what is required, specifying the headings and budget lines concerned and the corresponding amounts.

### 3.2.5. *Third-party contributions*

The proposal/initiative:

- does not provide for co-financing by third parties
- provides for the co-financing by third parties estimated below:

Appropriations in EUR million (to three decimal places)

	Year N <sup>22</sup>	Year N+1	Year N+2	Year N+3	Enter as many years as necessary to show the duration of the impact (see point 1.6)			Total
Specify the co-financing body								
TOTAL appropriations co-financed								

<sup>22</sup> Year N is the year in which implementation of the proposal/initiative starts. Please replace ‘N’ by the expected first year of implementation (for instance: 2021). The same for the following years.

### 3.3. Estimated impact on revenue

**X The proposal/initiative has no financial impact on revenue.**

- The proposal/initiative has the following financial impact:
  - on own resources
  - on other revenue
  - please indicate if the revenue is assigned to expenditure lines

EUR million (to three decimal places)

Budget revenue line:	Appropriations available for the current financial year	Impact of the proposal/initiative <sup>23</sup>							
		Year N	Year N+1	Year N+2	Year N+3	Enter as many years as necessary to show the duration of the impact (see point 1.6)			
Article .....									

For assigned revenue, specify the budget expenditure line(s) affected.

Other remarks (e.g. method/formula used for calculating the impact on revenue or any other information).

<sup>23</sup> As regards traditional own resources (customs duties, sugar levies), the amounts indicated must be net amounts, i.e. gross amounts after deduction of 20% for collection costs.