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Subject: Draft DECISION OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED BY THE
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN UNION AND THE REPUBLIC
OF MOLDOVA ON THE CARRIAGE OF FREIGHT BY ROAD as regards
the continuation of the Agreement

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**DECISION No 1/2024 OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE
ESTABLISHED BY THE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN UNION AND THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA
ON THE CARRIAGE OF FREIGHT BY ROAD**

of ...

as regards the continuation of the Agreement

THE JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Moldova on the carriage of freight by road¹ and in particular Article 6(2) thereof,

¹ OJ EU L 181, 7.7.2022, p. 4.

Whereas:

- (1) By means of Decision No 2/2022 of the Joint Committee established by the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Moldova on the carriage of freight by road of 15 December 2022 regarding the continuation of the Agreement², the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Moldova on the Carriage of Freight by Road ('the Agreement') was extended until 30 June 2024.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 6(2) of the Agreement, the Joint Committee is to be convened at the latest three months before the expiry of the Agreement in order to assess and decide the need for the continuation of the Agreement.
- (3) The monitoring of the Agreement has shown that it has provided benefits in terms of trade for both the European Union and the Republic of Moldova, and that the increase of road transport services has also been beneficial to road transport operators of both parties.
- (4) Together with a comparable road transport agreement signed with Ukraine, the Agreement has also significantly contributed to the export of Ukrainian goods to the European Union via the Solidarity Lanes.
- (5) The prolongation of the Agreement should be understood as also contributing to the reconstruction of Ukraine beyond Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine. It is therefore appropriate to prolong the Agreement until 31 December 2025,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

² OJ EU L79, 17.3.2023, p. 185.

Article 1
Continuation of the Agreement

The Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Moldova on the Carriage of Freight by Road is hereby prolonged until 31 December 2025.

Article 2
Entry into force

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at ...

For the Joint Committee
The Co-chairs
