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PROPOSAL

| From: | Secretary-General of the European Commission, signed by Ms Martine DEPREZ, Director |
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| date of receipt: | 15 July 2025 |
| То: | Ms Thérèse BLANCHET, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union |
| Subject: | ANNEX to the proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in 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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<u>Decision No 1/2025 of the Joint Committee</u> established by the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of <u>Moldova on the Carriage of Freight by Road</u>,

<u>of ...</u>

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 signed on 29 June 2022 and which entered into force on 21 August 2023^2 , and in particular Article 6(2) thereto,

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 Agreement, the Agreement³ was extended to 30 June 2024. By means of Decision No 1/2024 of 15 March 2024 of the Joint Committee⁴, the Agreement was further extended until 31 December 2025.
- (2) As set out in 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, including its duration.
- (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.
- (6) It is therefore appropriate to prolong the Agreement until 30 June 2027.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

¹ OJ L 181, 7.7.2022, p. 4.

² OJ L 226, 14.9.2023, p. 1.

³ 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 Agreement (OJ L 79, 17.3.2023, p. 185).

⁴ 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 26 March 2024 regarding the continuation of the Agreement (OJ L 2024/1266, 30.4.2024

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 30 June 2027.

Article 2

Entry into force

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

For the Joint Committee The Co-chairs