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Joint Proposal for a

COUNCIL REGULATION

amending Regulation (EU) No 692/2014 concerning restrictive measures in response to the illegal annexation of Crimea and Sevastopol

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

- (1) Council Regulation (EU) No 692/2014 concerning restrictive measures in response to the illegal annexation of Crimea and Sevastopol gives effect to restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision 2014/386/CFSP.
- (2) In order to ensure uniform conditions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EU) No 692/2014, a provision should be added to empower the Commission to amend the Annex containing the contact details of Member States' competent authorities and the address for notifications to the Commission.
- (3) Annex I of Council Regulation (EU) No 692/2014 should be replaced.
- (4) These amendments fall within the scope of the Treaty and therefore regulatory action at the Union level is necessary in order to implement them, in particular with a view to ensure uniform application in all Member States.
- (5) The High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and the Commission propose to amend Regulation (EU) No 692/2014 accordingly.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 215 thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2014/386/CFSP of 23 June 2014 concerning restrictive measures in response to the illegal annexation of Crimea and Sevastopol¹,

Having regard to the joint proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and of the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) On 23 June 2014, the Council adopted Decision 2014/386/CFSP and Regulation (EU) No 692/2014², concerning restrictive measures in response to the illegal annexation of Crimea and Sevastopol.
- (2) In order to ensure uniform conditions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EU) No 692/2014, the Commission should be empowered to amend the Annex containing the contact details of Member States' competent authorities and the address for notifications to the Commission.
- (3) Annex I of Council Regulation (EU) No 692/2014 should also be replaced.
- (4) These amendments fall within the scope of the Treaty and therefore regulatory action at the level of the Union is necessary in order to implement them, in particular with a view to ensure uniform application in all Member States.
- (5) Council Regulation (EU) No 692/2014 should therefore be amended accordingly.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EU) No 692/2014 is amended as follows:

- (1) in Article 1, point (e), 'the Annex' is replaced by 'Annex I';
- (2) in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Article 9, 'the Annex' is replaced by 'Annex I';
- (3) in Article 9, the following point is added:
'4. The Commission shall be empowered to amend Annex I on the basis of information supplied by Member States.'
- (4) Annex I is replaced by the Annex to this Regulation.

¹ OJ L 183, 24.6.2014, p. 70.

² OJ L 183, 24.6.2014, p. 9.

Article 2

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

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President