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Subject: COUNCIL DECISION on the financial contributions to be paid by the

parties to the European Development Fund to finance that fund, specifying the ceiling for 2025, the annual amount for 2024, the amount of the first instalment for 2024 and an indicative, non-binding forecast for the expected annual amounts of contributions for the years 2026 and 2027

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to the Internal Agreement between the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the European Union, meeting within the Council, on the financing of European Union aid under the multiannual financial framework for the period 2014 to 2020, 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 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union applies¹, and in particular Article 7(2) in conjunction with Article 14(3) thereof,

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OJ L 210, 6.8.2013, p. 1.

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2018/1877 of 26 November 2018 on the financial regulation applicable to the 11th European Development Fund, and repealing Regulation (EU) 2015/323¹, and in particular Article 19(2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

OJ L 307, 3.12.2018, p. 1.

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Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Article 46 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1877, the European Investment Bank (EIB) is to send to the Commission its updated estimates of commitments and payments under the instruments it manages.
- (2) In accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 19(2) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1877, the Commission is to present a proposal by 15 October 2023 specifying the ceiling for the amount of the contributions to be paid by the parties to the European Development Fund (EDF) for 2025, the annual amount of the contributions for 2024, the amount of the first instalment of the contributions for 2024 and an indicative, non-binding forecast for the expected annual amounts of contributions for the years 2026 and 2027.
- (3) Pursuant to Article 20(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1877, calls for contributions are to first use up the amounts provided for in previous EDFs. Therefore a call for funds pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2018/1877 for the Commission and for the EIB should be made.

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- Pursuant to Article 152 of the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of **(4)** Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community¹ ('the withdrawal agreement'), the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the 'United Kingdom') is to remain party to the EDF until the closure of the 11th EDF and all previous unclosed EDFs. However, pursuant to Article 153 of the withdrawal agreement, the United Kingdom's share in decommitted funds from projects under the 11th EDF, where those funds have been decommitted after 31 December 2020, or under previous EDFs is not to be reused.
- Council Decision (EU) 2022/2242² sets the ceiling for the annual amount of the (5) contributions to be paid by the parties to the EDF for 2024 at EUR 1 300 000 000 for the Commission and at EUR 300 000 000 for the EIB.
- (6) In order to allow for the prompt application of the measures it provides for, this Decision should enter into force on the date of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

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¹ OJ L 29, 31.1.2020, p. 7.

² Council Decision (EU) 2022/2242 of 14 November 2022 on the financial contributions to be paid by the parties to the European Development Fund to finance that fund, specifying the ceiling for 2024, the annual amount for 2023, the amount of the first instalment for 2023 and an indicative and non-binding forecast for the expected annual amounts of contributions for the years 2025 and 2026 (OJ L 294, 15.11.2022, p. 17).

Article 1

The ceiling for the annual amount of the contributions to be paid by the parties to the European Development Fund (EDF) for 2025 is hereby set at EUR 809 000 000. It shall be divided into EUR 800 000 000 for the Commission and EUR 9 000 000 for the European Investment Bank (EIB).

Article 2

The annual amount of the contributions to be paid by the parties to the EDF for 2024 is hereby set at EUR 1 500 000 000. It shall be divided into EUR 1 200 000 000 for the Commission and EUR 300 000 000 for the EIB.

Article 3

The individual EDF contributions shall be paid by the parties to the EDF to the Commission and the EIB as the first instalment for 2024, in accordance with the Annex.

Article 4

An amount of EUR 7 800 000 from uncommitted or decommitted funds from projects under the 9th EDF shall be refunded by a reduction of payment against the first instalment for 2024 set out in Article 3.

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Article 5

The indicative, non-binding forecast for the expected annual amount of contributions for 2026 is hereby set at EUR 600 000 000 for the Commission and at EUR 0 for the EIB. The indicative, non-binding forecast for the expected annual amount of contributions for 2027 is hereby set at EUR 500 000 000 for the Commission and at EUR 0 for the EIB.

Article 6

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council The President

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<u>ANNEX</u>

First instalment for 2024 (EUR) to be paid to the Commission and the EIB

			Commission					EIB	Commission +EIB
MEMBER STATES & UNITED KINGDOM	9th EDF key (%)	11th EDF key (%)		11th EDF	Refund from the 9th EDF	11th EDF minus refund from the 9th EDF		11th EDF	Total amount for the first instalment for 2024
BELGIUM	3,92	3,24927		17 870 985	305 760	17 565 225		3 249 270	20 814 495
BULGARIA		0,21853		1 201 915	0	1 201 915		218 530	1 420 445
CZECHIA		0,79745		4 385 975	0	4 385 975		797 450	5 183 425
DENMARK	2,14	1,98045		10 892 475	166 920	10 725 555		1 980 450	12 706 005
GERMANY	23,36	20,57980		113 188 900	1 822 080	111 366 820		20 579 800	131 946 620
ESTONIA		0,08635		474 925	0	474 925		86 350	561 275
IRELAND	0,62	0,94006		5 170 330	48 360	5 121 970		940 060	6 062 030
GREECE	1,25	1,50735		8 290 425	97 500	8 192 925		1 507 350	9 700 275
SPAIN	5,84	7,93248		43 628 640	455 520	43 173 120		7 932 480	51 105 600
FRANCE	24,30	17,81269		97 969 795	1 895 400	96 074 395		17 812 690	113 887 085
CROATIA		0,22518		1 238 490	0	1 238 490		225 180	1 463 670
ITALY	12,54	12,53009		68 915 495	978 120	67 937 375		12 530 090	80 467 465
CYPRUS		0,11162		613 910	0	613 910		111 620	725 530
LATVIA		0,11612		638 660	0	638 660		116 120	754 780
LITHUANIA		0,18077		994 235	0	994 235		180 770	1 175 005
LUXEMBOURG	0,29	0,25509		1 402 995	22 620	1 380 375		255 090	1 635 465
HUNGARY		0,61456		3 380 080	0	3 380 080		614 560	3 994 640
MALTA		0,03801		209 055	0	209 055		38 010	247 065
NETHERLANDS	5,22	4,77678		26 272 290	407 160	25 865 130		4 776 780	30 641 910
AUSTRIA	2,65	2,39757		13 186 635	206 700	12 979 935		2 397 570	15 377 505
POLAND		2,00734		11 040 370	0	11 040 370		2 007 340	13 047 710
PORTUGAL	0,97	1,19679		6 582 345	75 660	6 506 685		1 196 790	7 703 475
ROMANIA		0,71815		3 949 825	0	3 949 825		718 150	4 667 975
SLOVENIA		0,22452		1 234 860	0	1 234 860		224 520	1 459 380
SLOVAKIA		0,37616		2 068 880	0	2 068 880		376 160	2 445 040
FINLAND	1,48	1,50909		8 299 995	115 440	8 184 555		1 509 090	9 693 645
SWEDEN	2,73	2,93911		16 165 105	212 940	15 952 165		2 939 110	18 891 275
UNITED KINGDOM*	12,69	14,67862		80 732 410	989 820	79 742 590		14 678 620	94 421 210
TOTAL EU-27 & UK	100,00	100,00		550 000 000	7 800 000	542 200 000		100 000 000	642 200 000

^{*} Further to Article 153 of the Withdrawal Agreement, the UK formally requested in March 2023 that the Commission refund in 2023 its outstanding share of the 10th and 11th EDF reserves by netting-out its outstanding contribution to the EDF. That net-out will be reflected in the respective payment instructions.