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Subject: COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community as regards the amendment of the Annex to the Financial Rules and Auditing Procedures applicable to the Transport Community, adopted pursuant to Decision No. 2022/02 of the Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2025/...

of ...

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and Auditing Procedures applicable to the Transport Community,
adopted pursuant to Decision No. 2022/02
of the Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 91 and Article 100(2), in conjunction with Article 218(9), thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) The Treaty establishing the Transport Community¹ (the ‘TCT’) was approved on behalf of the Union by means of Council Decision (EU) 2019/392². It entered into force on 1 May 2019.
- (2) The Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community established by the TCT (the ‘Steering Committee’) was set up in order to ensure the administration and the proper implementation of the TCT.
- (3) Pursuant to Article 30 of the TCT, the Steering Committee is competent to lay down rules of the Permanent Secretariat of the Transport Community (the ‘Permanent Secretariat’). Under Article 35 of the TCT, the Steering Committee is empowered to adopt the budget of the Transport Community and the related financial governing rules.
- (4) The Steering Committee, during its meeting to be held on 4 December 2025, is to adopt a decision amending the rules that apply to the Permanent Secretariat when procuring goods, works or services on its own account, as laid down in the Annex to the Financial Rules and Auditing Procedures applicable to the Transport Community, adopted pursuant to Decision No. 2022/02 of the Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community of 15 December 2022 on the revised procedure for the implementation of the budget and the presenting and auditing of accounts, applicable to the Transport Community (‘Decision No. 2022/02 of the Steering Committee’).

¹ OJ L 278, 27.10.2017, p. 3, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2017/1937/oj.

² Council Decision (EU) 2019/392 of 4 March 2019 on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Treaty establishing the Transport Community (OJ L 71, 13.3.2019, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2019/392/oj>).

- (5) It is appropriate to establish the position to be taken on the Union's behalf within the Steering Committee as the decision of that Committee will have legal effects.
- (6) The Union should support the adoption of the draft Decision attached to this Decision, as it will simplify the current rules governing the procurement by the Permanent Secretariat of certain simple and low-value goods and services, which is necessary for the continued proper functioning of the Permanent Secretariat.
- (7) The position of the Union within the Steering Committee should therefore be based on the attached draft Decision,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community established by the Treaty establishing the Transport Community (the ‘Steering Committee’) regarding the amendment of the Annex to the Financial Rules and Auditing Procedures applicable to the Transport Community, adopted pursuant to Decision No. 2022/02 of the Steering Committee, shall be based on the draft Decision of the Steering Committee attached to this Decision.

Article 2

Minor technical changes to the position set out in Article 1 may be agreed upon by the representatives of the Union in the Steering Committee without a further decision of the Council.

Article 3

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

Done at ..., ...

For the Council

The President
