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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No $966/2012^1$, and in particular Article 58(2)(d) and Article 110 thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (Euratom) No 302/2005 of 8 February 2005 on the application of Euratom safeguards, and the tasks resulting from specific powers directly conferred on the Commission by the Euratom Treaty under Chapters III and VII and Article 174 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In order to ensure the implementation of the actions financed under the prerogatives of the Commission in the field of energy, as set out in the Annex, it is necessary to adopt an annual financing decision for 2021. Article 110 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 ('the Financial Regulation or FR') establishes detailed rules on financing decisions.
- (2) It is necessary to allow for the payment of interest due for late payment on the basis of Article 116(5) FR.
- (3) In order to allow for flexibility in the implementation of the support activities in the field of energy, it is appropriate to allow changes which should not be considered substantial for the purposes of Article 110(5) FR.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Actions financed under the prerogatives of the Commission in the field of energy

The annual financing decision for the implementation of the actions financed under the prerogatives of the Commission in the field of energy for 2021, as set out in the Annex, is adopted.

OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p.1.

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Article 2

Union contribution

The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the actions financed under the prerogatives of the Commission in the field of energy for 2021 is set at EUR 28 082 000, and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following item of the general budget of the Union:

 $02\ 20\ 04\ 02$ - Support activities for the European energy policy and internal energy market EUR 6 543 $\ 000$

12 20 04 01 - Nuclear safeguards EUR 18 539 000

12 20 04 02 - Nuclear safety and protection against radiation EUR 3 000 000

The appropriations provided for in the first paragraph may also cover interest due for late payment.

The implementation of this Decision is subject to the availability of the appropriations as provided for in the draft general budget of the Union for 2021, following the adoption of that budget by the budgetary authority or as provided for in the system of provisional twelfths.

Article 3

Flexibility clause

Cumulated changes to the allocations to specific actions not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution set in Article 2 of this Decision shall not be considered to be substantial within the meaning of Article 110(5) of the Financial Regulation, where those changes do not significantly affect the nature of the actions and the objective of the support activities in the field of energy. The increase of the maximum contribution set in Article 2 of this Decision shall not exceed 20%.

The authorising officer responsible may apply the changes referred to in the first paragraph. Those changes shall be applied in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.

Article 4

Adjustment clause

The maximum Union contribution set in the first paragraph of Article 2 may be adjusted to the amount of appropriations decided by the budgetary authority in the general budget of the Union for year 2021 if the change does not exceed 20%.

Done at Brussels, 9.2.2021

For the Commission Kadri SIMSON Member of the Commission