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II

(Non-legislative acts)

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2015/575

of 17 December 2014

on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part, on a Framework Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Tunisia on the general principles for the participation of the Republic of Tunisia in Union programmes

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 212, in conjunction with Article 218(5) and (7) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) On 18 June 2007 the Council authorised the Commission to negotiate a Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part ⁽¹⁾, on a Framework Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Tunisia on the general principles for the participation of the Republic of Tunisia in Union programmes ('the Protocol').
- (2) The negotiations have been concluded.
- (3) The objective of the Protocol is to lay down the financial and technical rules enabling the Republic of Tunisia to participate in certain Union programmes. The horizontal framework established by the Protocol constitutes an economic, financial and technical cooperation measure which allows for access to assistance, in particular financial assistance, to be provided by the Union pursuant to those Union programmes. That framework applies only to those Union programmes for which the relevant constitutive legal acts provide for the possibility of the participation of the Republic of Tunisia. The signing and provisional application of the Protocol therefore does not entail the exercise of powers under the various sectoral policies pursued by the programmes, which are exercised when establishing the programmes.
- (4) The Protocol should be signed on behalf of the Union and should be applied on a provisional basis, pending the completion of the procedures for its conclusion,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The signing on behalf of the Union of the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part, on a Framework Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Tunisia on the general principles for the participation of the Republic of Tunisia in Union programmes is hereby authorised, subject to the conclusion of the said Protocol.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 97, 30.3.1998, p. 2.

The text of the Protocol is attached to this Decision.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the person(s) empowered to sign the Protocol on behalf of the Union.

Article 3

The Protocol shall be applied on a provisional basis from its signature, pending the completion of the procedures for its conclusion.

Article 4

The Commission is authorised to determine, on behalf of the Union, the specific terms and conditions applicable to the participation of the Republic of Tunisia in any particular Union programme, including the financial contribution to be paid. The Commission shall keep the relevant Council working party informed.

Article 5

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

Done at Brussels, 17 December 2014.

For the Council
The President
G. L. GALLETTI

PROTOCOL

to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part, on a Framework Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Tunisia on the general principles for the participation of the Republic of Tunisia in Union programmes

THE EUROPEAN UNION, hereinafter referred to as 'the Union',

of the one part, and

THE REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA, hereinafter referred to as 'Tunisia',

of the other part,

hereinafter jointly referred to as 'the Parties',

Whereas:

- (1) Tunisia has concluded a Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part ⁽¹⁾ (hereinafter referred to as 'the Agreement'), which entered into force on 1 March 1998.
- (2) The Brussels European Council of 17 and 18 June 2004 welcomed the European Commission's proposals for a European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP) and endorsed the Council conclusions of 14 June 2004.
- (3) The Council has since adopted conclusions in favour of this policy on numerous occasions.
- (4) On 5 March 2007 the Council expressed support for the general and comprehensive approach outlined in the European Commission's communication of 4 December 2006, to enable European Neighbourhood Policy partner countries to participate in Community agencies and Community programmes on their merits and where legal bases so allow.
- (5) Tunisia has expressed its wish to participate in a number of Union programmes.
- (6) The specific terms and conditions, including the financial contribution and reporting and evaluation procedures, applicable to Tunisia's participation in any particular Union programme should be determined by agreement between the European Commission, acting on behalf of the Union, and Tunisia,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Tunisia shall be allowed to participate in all current and future Union programmes which are opened to the participation of Tunisia, in accordance with the relevant provisions adopting those programmes.

Article 2

Tunisia shall contribute financially to the general budget of the European Union corresponding to the specific Union programmes in which Tunisia participates.

Article 3

Tunisia's representatives shall be allowed to take part, as observers and for those items which concern Tunisia, in the management committees responsible for monitoring the Union programmes to which Tunisia contributes financially.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 97, 30.3.1998, p. 2.

Article 4

Projects and initiatives submitted by participants from Tunisia shall, as far as possible, be subject to the same conditions, rules and procedures pertaining to the Union programmes concerned as applied to Member States.

Article 5

1. The specific terms and conditions regarding the participation of Tunisia in each particular Union programme, in particular the financial contribution to be paid as well as reporting and evaluation procedures, shall be determined in a Memorandum of Understanding between the European Commission and the competent authorities of Tunisia on the basis of the criteria established by the programmes concerned.

2. If Tunisia applies for external assistance of the Union to participate in a given Union programme on the basis of Article 3 of Regulation (EU) No 232/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾ or pursuant to any similar regulation providing for Union external assistance to Tunisia that may be adopted in the future, the conditions governing the use by Tunisia of the Union assistance shall be determined in a financing agreement.

Article 6

1. Each agreement concluded pursuant to Article 5 shall stipulate, in accordance with Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽²⁾, that financial control or audits or other verifications, including administrative investigations, are carried out by, or under the authority of, the European Commission, the European Anti-Fraud Office and the European Court of Auditors.

2. Detailed provisions shall be made for financial controls and audits, administrative measures, penalties and recoveries that accord the European Commission, the European Anti-Fraud Office and the European Court of Auditors powers equivalent to their powers with regard to beneficiaries or contractors established in the Union.

Article 7

1. This Protocol shall apply for the period during which the Agreement is in force.

2. This Protocol shall be signed and approved by the Parties in accordance with their respective procedures.

3. Either Party may renounce this Protocol by written notification to the other Contracting Party. This Protocol shall cease to apply six months after the date of such notification.

4. The termination of the Protocol due to the renunciation by either of the Parties shall not affect the checks and controls to be carried out, where necessary, under the Articles 5 and 6.

Article 8

No later than three years after the date of entry into force of this Protocol and every three years thereafter, both Parties may review the implementation of this Protocol on the basis of the actual participation of Tunisia in Union programmes.

Article 9

This Protocol shall apply, on the one hand, to the territory in which the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union is applied under the conditions laid down in that Treaty, on the one hand, and to the territory of Tunisia, on the other.

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) No 232/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing a European Neighbourhood Instrument (OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 27).

⁽²⁾ Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 10

1. Pending its entry into force, the Parties agree to provisionally apply this Protocol from the date of its signing, subject to completion of the procedures necessary for that purpose.
2. This Protocol shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the date on which the Parties notify each other through diplomatic channels of the completion of the procedures necessary for its entry into force.

Article 11

This Protocol shall form an integral part of the Agreement.

Article 12

This Protocol is drawn up in duplicate in the Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish, Swedish and Arabic languages, each of these texts being equally authentic.

Съставено в Брюксел на седемнадесети март две хиляди и петнадесета година.

Hecho en Bruselas, el diecisiete de marzo de dos mil quince.

V Bruselu dne sedmnáctého března dva tisíce patnáct.

Udfærdiget i Bruxelles den syttende marts to tusind og femten.

Geschehen zu Brüssel am siebzehnten März zweitausendfünfzehn.

Kahe tuhande viieteistkümnenda aasta märtsikuu seitsmeteistkümnendal päeval Brüsselis.

Έγινε στις Βρυξέλλες, στις δέκα επτά Μαρτίου δύο χιλιάδες δεκαπέντε.

Done at Brussels on the seventeenth day of March in the year two thousand and fifteen.

Fait à Bruxelles, le dix-sept mars deux mille quinze.

Sastavljeno u Bruxellesu sedamnaestog ožujka dvije tisuće petnaeste.

Fatto a Bruxelles, addì diciassette marzo duemilaquindici.

Briselē, divi tūkstoši piecpadsmitā gada septiņpadsmitajā martā.

Priimta du tūkstančiai penkioliktą metų kovo septynioliktą dieną Briuselyje.

Kelt Brüsszelben, a kétezer-tizenötödik év március havának tizenhetedik napján.

Magħmul fi Brussell, fis-sbatax-il jum ta' Marzu tas-sena elfejn u ħmistax.

Gedaan te Brussel, de zeventiende maart tweeduizend vijftien.

Sporządzono w Brukseli dnia siedemnastego marca roku dwa tysiące piętnastego.

Feito em Bruxelas, em dezassete de março de dois mil e quinze.

Întocmit la Bruxelles la șaptesprezece martie două mii cincisprezece.

V Bruseli sedemnásteho marca dvetisícpätnásť.

V Bruslju, dne sedemnajstega marca leta dva tisoč petnajst.

Tehty Brysselissä seitsemäntenätoista päivänä maaliskuuta vuonna kaksituhattaviisitoista.

Som skedde i Bryssel den sjuttonde mars tjugohundrafemton.

حرر ببروكسال في السابع عشر من مارس سنة خمسة عشر وألفين

За Европейския съюз
 Por la Unión Europea
 Za Evropskou unii
 For Den Europæiske Union
 Für die Europäische Union
 Euroopa Liidu nimel
 Για την Ευρωπαϊκή Ένωση
 For the European Union
 Pour l'Union européenne
 Za Europsku uniju
 Per l'Unione europea
 Eiropas Savienības vārdā –
 Europos Sąjungos vardu
 Az Európai Unió részéről
 Għall-Unjoni Ewropea
 Voor de Europese Unie
 W imieniu Unii Europejskiej
 Pela União Europeia
 Pentru Uniunea Europeană
 Za Európsku úniu
 Za Evropsko unijo
 Euroopan unionin puolesta
 För Europeiska unionen



عن الاتحاد الأوروبي

За Република Тунис
 Por la República de Túnez
 Za Tuniskou republiku
 For Den Tunesiske Republik
 Für die Tunesische Republik
 Tuneesia Vabariigi nimel
 Για τη Δημοκρατία της Τυνησίας
 For the Republic of Tunisia
 Pour la République tunisienne
 Za Republiku Tunis
 Per la Repubblica tunisina
 Tunisijas Republikas vārdā –
 Tuniso Respublikos vardu
 A Tunéziai Köztársaság részéről
 Għar-Repubblika tat-Tuneżija
 Voor de Republiek Tunesië
 W imieniu Republiki Tunezyjskiej
 Pela República da Tunísia
 Pentru Republica Tunisiană
 Za Tuniskú republiku
 Za republiko tunizijo
 Tunisian tasavallan puolesta
 För Republiken Tunisien



عن الجمهورية التونسية

REGULATIONS

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2015/576

of 10 April 2015

amending for the 229th time Council Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 imposing certain specific restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities associated with the Al-Qaeda network

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 of 27 May 2002 imposing certain specific restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities associated with the Al-Qaeda network ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 7(1)(a) and Article 7a(1) and (5) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 lists the persons, groups and entities covered by the freezing of funds and economic resources under that Regulation.
- (2) On 31 March 2015, the Sanctions Committee of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) decided to remove one natural person from its list of persons, groups and entities to whom the freezing of funds and economic resources should apply. On 7 April 2015 the Sanctions Committee of the United Nations Security Council approved the addition of one natural person to its list of persons, groups and entities to whom the freezing of funds and economic resources should apply.
- (3) Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 should therefore be updated accordingly.
- (4) In order to ensure that the measures provided for in this Regulation are effective, it should enter into force immediately,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day 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, 10 April 2015.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Head of the Service for Foreign Policy Instruments*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 139, 29.5.2002, p. 9.

ANNEX

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 is amended as follows:

- (1) the following entry shall be added under the heading 'Natural persons':

'Maulana **Fazlullah** (alias (a) Mullah Fazlullah; (b) Fazal Hayat; (c) Mullah Radio). Date of birth: 1974. Place of birth: Kuza Bandai village, Swat Valley, Khyber Pakhtunkhawa Province, Pakistan. Address: Afghanistan/Pakistan border region. Other information: Commander of Tehrik-e Taliban Pakistan (TTP) since 7.11.2013. Date of designation referred to in Article 2a(4)(b): 7.4.2015.';

- (2) the following entry under the heading 'Natural persons' is deleted:

'Abd Al-Rahman Muhammad Jaffar Ali (alias (a) Abd al-Rahman Muhammad Jaffir; (b) Abd al-Rahman Muhammad Jafir Ali; (c) Abd al-Rahman Jaffir Ali; (d) Abdul Rahman Mohamed Jaffer Ali; (e) Abdulrahman Mohammad Jaffar; (f) Ali Al-Khal; (g) Abu Muhammad Al-Khal). Date of birth: 15.1.1968. Place of birth: Muharraq, Bahrain. Nationality: Bahraini. Other information: (a) Bahrain-based financier and facilitator for Al-Qaeda. (b) In January 2008, convicted by the Bahraini High Criminal Court for financing terrorism, undergoing terrorist training, facilitating the travel of others to receive terrorist training abroad, and for membership in a terrorist organisation. Released after Court verdict and completion of his sentence. (c) Located in Bahrain (May 2008).'

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2015/577**of 10 April 2015****establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 of 7 June 2011 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 in respect of the fruit and vegetables and processed fruit and vegetables sectors ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 136(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations, the criteria whereby the Commission fixes the standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in Annex XVI, Part A thereto.
- (2) The standard import value is calculated each working day, in accordance with Article 136(1) of Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011, taking into account variable daily data. Therefore this Regulation should enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The standard import values referred to in Article 136 of Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 are fixed in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day 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, 10 April 2015.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Jerzy PLEWA
Director-General for Agriculture and Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 157, 15.6.2011, p. 1.

ANNEX

Standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

(EUR/100 kg)		
CN code	Third country code ⁽¹⁾	Standard import value
0702 00 00	AL	102,3
	MA	98,1
	TR	122,2
	ZZ	107,5
0707 00 05	MA	176,1
	MK	97,3
	TR	138,1
	ZZ	137,2
0709 93 10	MA	90,4
	TR	166,8
	ZZ	128,6
0805 10 20	CL	64,9
	EG	47,9
	IL	75,4
	MA	55,0
	TN	63,3
	TR	69,3
	ZZ	62,6
	ZZ	62,6
0805 50 10	MA	54,2
	TR	45,7
	ZZ	50,0
0808 10 80	BR	100,5
	CL	92,1
	CN	100,9
	MK	28,2
	US	265,7
	ZA	126,1
	ZZ	118,9
	ZZ	118,9
0808 30 90	AR	113,2
	CL	149,8
	CN	106,3
	ZA	144,2
	ZZ	128,4
	ZZ	128,4

⁽¹⁾ Nomenclature of countries laid down by Commission Regulation (EU) No 1106/2012 of 27 November 2012 implementing Regulation (EC) No 471/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on Community statistics relating to external trade with non-member countries, as regards the update of the nomenclature of countries and territories (OJ L 328, 28.11.2012, p. 7). Code 'ZZ' stands for 'of other origin'.

DECISIONS

DECISION (EU, Euratom) 2015/578 OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES

of 1 April 2015

appointing Judges and Advocates-General to the Court of Justice

THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 19 thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Articles 253 and 255 thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 106a(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The terms of office of 14 Judges and four Advocates-General at the Court of Justice are due to expire on 6 October 2015. In addition, Council Decision 2013/336/EU ⁽¹⁾ increased the number of Advocates-General of the Court of Justice to 11, with effect from 7 October 2015. Appointments should therefore be made for the period from 7 October 2015 to 6 October 2021.
- (2) It has been proposed that the terms of office of Mr Lars BAY LARSEN, Mr François BILTGEN, Mr Endre JUHÁSZ, Ms Küllike JÜRIMÄE, Mr Siniša RODIN, Mr Allan ROSAS, Mr Marek SAFJAN and Mr Daniel ŠVÁBY as Judges of the Court of Justice should be renewed. It has been proposed that the terms of office of Ms Juliane KOKOTT and Ms Eleanor SHARPSTON as Advocates-General of the Court of Justice should be renewed. In addition, Mr Henrik Saugmandsgaard ØE has been nominated for the post of Advocate-General of the Court of Justice.
- (3) The panel provided for by Article 255 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union has given an opinion on the suitability of Mr Lars BAY LARSEN, Mr François BILTGEN, Mr Endre JUHÁSZ, Ms Küllike JÜRIMÄE, Mr Siniša RODIN, Mr Allan ROSAS, Mr Marek SAFJAN and Mr Daniel ŠVÁBY to perform the duties of Judges of the Court of Justice, and on the suitability of Ms Juliane KOKOTT, Ms Eleanor SHARPSTON and Mr Henrik Saugmandsgaard ØE to perform the duties of Advocates-General of the Court of Justice,

HAVE ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following are hereby appointed Judges to the Court of Justice for the period from 7 October 2015 to 6 October 2021:

- Mr Lars BAY LARSEN,
- Mr François BILTGEN,
- Mr Endre JUHÁSZ,
- Ms Küllike JÜRIMÄE,
- Mr Siniša RODIN,
- Mr Allan ROSAS,
- Mr Marek SAFJAN,
- Mr Daniel ŠVÁBY.

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision 2013/336/EU of 25 June 2013 increasing the number of Advocates-General of the Court of Justice of the European Union (OJ L 179, 29.6.2013, p. 92).

Article 2

The following are hereby appointed Advocates-General to the Court of Justice for the period from 7 October 2015 to 6 October 2021:

- Ms Juliane KOKOTT,
- Mr Henrik Saugmandsgaard ØE,
- Ms Eleanor SHARPSTON.

Article 3

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

Done at Brussels, 1 April 2015.

The President
I. JUHANSONE

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2015/579**of 9 April 2015****fixing the financial contribution from the Union for expenditure incurred by Italy in 2012 for the financing of the emergency measures to combat avian influenza***(notified under document C(2015) 2235)***(Only the Italian text is authentic)**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 652/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 laying down provisions for the management of expenditure relating to the food chain, animal health and animal welfare, and relating to plant health and plant reproductive material, amending Council Directives 98/56/EC, 2000/29/EC and 2008/90/EC, Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 882/2004 and (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Decisions 66/399/EEC, 76/894/EEC and 2009/470/EC ⁽¹⁾ and in particular Article 36(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 349/2005 ⁽²⁾ lays down the rules for the payment of a financial contribution from the Union towards emergency measures to eradicate certain animal diseases, including avian influenza. Article 7 of that Regulation lays down the documents to be submitted by the Member State requesting the financial contribution from the Union and the deadlines for submitting such documents.
- (2) Commission Implementing Decision 2013/775/EU ⁽³⁾ provides for a financial contribution from the Union to be granted to Italy towards the costs incurred by that Member State in taking measures to combat avian influenza in 2012 pursuant to Council Decision 2009/470/EC ⁽⁴⁾. Accordingly, a first tranche of EUR 40 000,00 for 2012 was paid to that Member State as part of the financial contribution from the Union. Implementing Decision 2013/775/EU further provides that the amount of the financial contribution from the Union is to be fixed in a subsequent decision to be adopted in accordance with the procedure referred therein.
- (3) Regulation (EU) No 652/2014 provides for payments to be made to Member States in those circumstances. In that respect, it provides for the adoption of implementing acts, setting out the financial contribution. That Regulation also repealed Decision 2009/470/EC and references to that Decision are to be construed as references to Regulation (EU) No 652/2014.
- (4) Through Implementing Decision 2013/775/EU, the requirements of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽⁵⁾, in particular Article 84 thereof, have been complied with.
- (5) On 19 August 2014, Italy submitted an official request for reimbursement to the Commission accompanied by a financial report, supporting documents and an epidemiological report on each holding where the animals have been slaughtered and destroyed. The request for reimbursement amounts to EUR 1 431 549,96 for 2012. However, following an examination of the documents submitted by that Member State, the amount EUR 68 238,40 is considered to be ineligible for reimbursement in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 349/2005.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 189, 27.6.2014, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Commission Regulation (EC) No 349/2005 of 28 February 2005 laying down rules on the Community financing of emergency measures and of the campaign to combat certain animal diseases under Council Decision 90/424/EEC (OJ L 55, 1.3.2005, p. 12).

⁽³⁾ Commission Implementing Decision 2013/775/EU of 17 December 2013 on a financial contribution from the Union towards emergency measures to combat avian influenza in Germany, Italy and the Netherlands in 2012 and 2013 and in Denmark and Spain in 2013 (OJ L 343, 19.12.2013, p. 44).

⁽⁴⁾ Council Decision 2009/470/EC of 25 May 2009 on expenditure in the veterinary field (OJ L 155, 18.6.2009, p. 30).

⁽⁵⁾ Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

- (6) Hence the final contribution for 2012 can respectively be fixed at EUR 1 363 311,56 being the difference between the requested amount for reimbursement and the ineligible amount. After deduction of the first tranche mentioned in recital 2, the balance to be paid to Italy for 2012 can be fixed at EUR 1 323 311,56.
- (7) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. The financial contribution from the Union towards the expenditure incurred by Italy in 2012 for the financing of emergency measures to combat avian influenza is hereby fixed at EUR 1 363 311,56.
2. The balance of the financial contribution from the Union remaining to be paid to Italy is hereby fixed at EUR 1 323 311,56.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Italian Republic.

Done at Brussels, 9 April 2015.

For the Commission
Vytenis ANDRIUKAITIS
Member of the Commission

