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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 966/2012¹, and in particular Article 110 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2021/1139 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 July 2021 establishing the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund and amending Regulation (EU) 2017/1004², and in particular Article 9 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Decision C(2021)9148 of 16 December 2021³ constitutes the work programme for the implementation of the operational technical assistance in the framework of the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund for the period 2022-2027.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 62(1)(c) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046, indirect management along with direct management, may be used for the implementation of the work programme.
- (3) Pursuant to Article 35(2)(d),(e) and (4) of *Regulation* (EU) 2021/1060⁴ the technical assistance at the initiative of the Commission can be used to finance monitoring measures as well as evaluations concerning the current and future operation of the European Maritime Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund, as well as the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund. Article 57 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 also explicitly refers to the Commission's obligation to carry out ex post evaluations to examine, inter alia, the effectiveness and efficiency of the European Structural and Investment Funds (including the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund).

¹ OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1.

² OJ L 247, 13.7.2021, p. 1.

³ Commission Implementing Decision C(2021)9148 on the financing of the operational technical assistance in the framework of the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund and the adoption of the work programme for 2022-2027.

⁴ Regulation (EU) 2021/1060 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2021 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund Plus, the Cohesion Fund, the Just Transition Fund and the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund and financial rules for those and for the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, the Internal Security Fund and the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy (OJ L 231, 30.6.2021, p. 159).

- (4) Therefore, the Annex of Decision C(2021)9148 should be amended to reflect the fact that these evaluations and monitoring measures will be funded under the operational technical assistance,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

The Annex of Implementing Decision C(2021)9148 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 30.11.2022

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