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ANNEX II

Annual work programme of Pillar III under the Ukraine Facility for 2025 (part 3)

Financing of the EU contribution for the year 2025 to the Enlarged Partial Agreement on the Register of Damage Caused by the Aggression of the Russian Federation Against Ukraine

On the basis of the objectives set out in Regulation (EU) 2024/792, and in particular Article 34(3) thereof, the work programme of the Ukraine Facility Pillar III for 2025 (part 3) contains the action to be financed and the budget breakdown for 2025 as follows:

1. AMOUNT

Total estimated cost: EUR 864 360.36

Total amount of EU budget contribution: EUR 864 360.36

2. LEGAL BASIS

Regulation (EU) 2024/792 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 February 2024 establishing the Ukraine Facility.

3. BUDGET LINE

BGUE-B2024 16.06.03.01 (Union accession assistance and other measures) EUR 864 360.36

4. **BENEFICIAR(Y)/(IES) OF THE ACTION**

The action shall be carried out for the benefit of Ukraine. The final beneficiaries of the action are the people of Ukraine.

5. **OBJECTIVES PURSUED**

This action aims to ensure compliance with the financial obligations stemming from the participation of the European Union as a Participant to the Enlarged Partial Agreement on the Register of Damage Caused by the Aggression of the Russian Federation Against Ukraine. More specifically, this action covers the amount due by the EU as a financial contribution for the year 2025.

On 14 November 2022, the UN General Assembly adopted a resolution recognising the need to establish an international mechanism for the reparation of damage, loss or injury arising from the internationally wrongful acts of the Russian Federation against Ukraine.

On 12 May 2023, the Committee of Ministries of the Council of Europe adopted the Resolution establishing the Enlarged Partial Agreement on the Register of Damage Caused by the Aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine. The EU initially joined the Register of Damages as an Associate Member. In July 2024, the Council of the European Union adopted the Decision changing the status of the Union from an Associate Member to a full-fledged Participant.

The Register of Damage serves as a documentary record of evidence and claims information regarding the damage, loss or injury caused to all natural and legal persons concerned, as well as the State of Ukraine, since 24 February 2022 in the territory of Ukraine by Russian Federation's internationally wrongful acts in or against Ukraine.

On 11 October 2024, the Conference of Participants of the Register of Damage adopted the annual budget for 2025; the EU contribution for the financial year 2025 was set in the call for contribution dated 31st December 2024 to amount to EUR 864 360.36, with 1st July 2025 as deadline for payment.

6. METHOD OF IMPLEMENTATION

This measure shall be implemented under direct management by the European Commission in accordance with Article 245 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 as a payment of the EU's membership fee as a Participant to the Enlarged Partial Agreement on the Register of Damage Caused by the Aggression of the Russian Federation Against Ukraine.

The Commission authorises that the costs incurred may be recognised as eligible from 31 December 2024, prior to the adoption of this Financing Decision, because the abovementioned financial contribution will cover the entire financial year 2025.

7. **EXPECTED RESULTS**

Timely payment of EU contribution for the financial year 2025.