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#### MODEL DESCRIPTION OF MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL SYSTEMS

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## THE INFORMATION PROVIDED DESCRIBES THE SITUATION ON:

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE DESIGNATED AUTHORITIES

- 1.1. General information on the designated authorities
- 1.1.1. Short description of the choices made on the designation of the different authorities
- 1.1.2. Indication of whether these management and control systems are operational

If not, indication of the date when they will be operational

- 1.1.3. Indication of whether these management and control systems have been accredited by the Commission for other Community financial instruments (if applicable)
- 1.2. Organisation chart(s) of the entire body(-ies) within which the designated authorities are functioning
- 1.3. Responsible authority
- 1.3.1. The date and form of the formal designation of the responsible authority
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- 1.3.3. Specification of the functions carried out directly by the responsible authority and (if applicable and/or foreseen) by other bodies under the responsibility of the responsible authority (outsourcing of tasks, excluding the tasks entrusted to the delegated authority(ies) under point 1.4)
- 1.3.4. Organisation chart and specification of the functions of the units (including the indicative number of posts allocated)
- 1.3.5. Information whether the responsible authority can also act as executing body for the projects co-financed by the Fund
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- 1.4.1. The reasons for establishing any delegated authority
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1.4.4. Specification of the functions carried out directly by the delegated authority(ies) and (if applicable and/or foreseen) by other bodies under the responsibility of the delegated authority(ies) (outsourcing of tasks)

- 1.4.5. Organisation chart and specification of the functions of the units (including indicative number of posts allocated)
- 1.4.6. Information whether delegated authority(ies) can also act as executing body for the projects co-financed by the Fund
- 1.4.7. If the delegated authority(ies) is (are) the same for more than one of the four Funds, a description of the common functions and systems
- 1.5. Certifying authority
- 1.5.1. The date and form of the formal designation of the certifying authority
- 1.5.2. Legal status of the certifying authority
- 1.5.3. Specification of the functions carried out directly by the certifying authority and (if applicable and/or foreseen) by other bodies under the responsibility of the certifying authority (outsourcing of tasks)
- 1.5.4. Organisation chart and specification of the functions of the units (including indicative number of posts allocated)
- 1.5.5. If the certifying authority is the same for more than one of the four Funds, a description of the common functions and systems
- 1.6. Audit authority
- 1.6.1. The date and form of the formal designation of the audit authority
- 1.6.2. Legal status of the audit authority
- 1.6.3. Specification of the functions carried out directly by the audit authority and (if applicable and/or foreseen) by other bodies under the responsibility of the audit authority (outsourcing of tasks)
- 1.6.4. Organisation chart and specification of the functions of the units (including indicative number of posts allocated)
- 1.6.5. Staff qualifications for the audit authority and (if applicable and/or foreseen) of the other bodies expected to carry out audit work (outsourcing of tasks)
- 1.6.6. If the audit authority is the same for more than one of the four Funds, a description of the common functions and systems
- 1.6.7. If a responsible authority can also act as executing body for the projects co-financed by the Fund, a description of arrangements ensuring the independent position of the audit authority in accordance with article 8

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The checklist should be completed by indicating whether each target has been achieved or not and providing any relevant information. If the target has not been achieved, please provide an explanation and, if relevant, indicate the expected date for completion.

If procedures are formalised, a reference to the document should be included.

#### 2. FUNCTIONING OF DESIGNATED AUTHORITIES

2.1. Designation and supervision of the designated authorities

Short description	of the pro	cess of setting up each	of the designated authorities/The
description should	l include al	ll authorities]	

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	Rules governing the relations of the Member State with the designated authorities identify the respective responsibilities	Y/N	
2	Member State have provided guidance to the designated authorities to ensure sound financial management (through training and/or manuals)	Y/N	
3	Each authority will inform their staff of the mission statement of the organisation as well as their job description and expected results	Y/N	
4	Steps have been taken to ensure that the different authorities are adequately staffed in terms of numbers, seniority and experience in order to carry out their functions	Y/N	

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	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	Rules are defined to ensure a proper separation of functions between actors within the responsible authority for the signature of contracts/grant agreements	Y/N	
2	Rules are defined to ensure a proper separation of functions between actors within the responsible authority for the initiation, verification and approval of financial transactions	Y/N	
3	The audit authority will be functionally independent of the responsible authority and the certifying authority.	Y/N	
4	The certifying authority will not be involved in the selection, implementation and financial transactions related to Community resources	Y/N	

<b>2.3.</b> Monitoring of delegated authority(ies) — if applicable				
Short description of the process/ <i>This description should include the responsible</i>				
authority and the delegated authority(ies)]				

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	The tasks to be delegated are clearly defined	Y/N	
2	Procedures are established concerning the delegated tasks and	Y/N	

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	in the basic act/ implementing rules has been checked			 
3	Supervisory controls will take place to ensure that the tasks are carried out according to established procedures	Y/N		

<b>2.4.</b> Monitoring of other tasks not carried out by the authorities themselves — if applicable	
Shout description of the process [This description should include all sutherities]	

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	In case of bodies acting under the responsibility of the responsible authority (and not considered as delegated authorities), supervisory mechanisms are in place to ensure sound financial management	Y/N	
2	In case of outsourcing of audit activities and in case of bodies acting under the responsibility of the audit authority, supervisory mechanisms are in place to ensure a common audit methodology and consistency of the audit work	Y/N	
3	In case of outsourcing of certifying activities and in case of bodies acting under the responsibility of the certifying authority, supervisory mechanisms are in	Y/N	

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	certification		
4	In case of outsourcing to private bodies without a public- service mission, mechanisms are defined to ensure that the tasks which may be entrusted do not include the exercise of public authority or require the use of discretionary powers of judgment	Y/N	

## 3. OPERATIONAL AND FINANCIAL PROCESSES

<b>3.1.</b> Establishing multiannual programmes				
Short description of the process/This description should include the responsible				
authority and the delegated authority(ies)]				
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	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	Arrangements are foreseen to ensure the implementation of the principle of partnership in accordance with current national rules and practices	Y/N	
2	Procedures are defined to check that the multiannual programme is consistent with the strategic guidelines and complies with Community law, in particular with Community law aiming at ensuring the free movement of persons in conjunction with the directly related flanking measures with respect to external border	Y/N	

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The multiannual programme will be approved by a duly authorised person	Y/N	

#### 3.2. Establishing annual programmes

Short description of the process[This description should include the responsible
authority and the delegated authority(ies)]

Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
Procedures are	Y/N	
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	the revision of an		
	annual programme		
	in case of duly		
	substantiated		
	emergency situations		
	as described in		
	the basic act, if		
	applicable		
3	Procedures are	Y/N	
5	established to enable		
	the submission of		
	a revision of an		
	annual programme		
	when required under		
	Article 23(1) of this		
	decision		
4	Any modification	Y/N	
	to the financial		
	breakdown of an		
	annual programme		
	and the reasons for it		
	is documented		
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	(e.g. on nature and		
	timing of the calls		
	for proposals or the		
	scope of technical		
	assistance) and		
	the reason for it is		
	documented		

Short descrip	tion of the process <i>[This descr</i>	ription concerns the	e audit authority]
	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	Rules are defined to ensure a transparent and appropriate communication from the responsible authority to the audit authority on management procedures	Y/N	

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	and throughout the programming period		
2	Procedures are established to define annual audit plans (to be annexed each year to the audit strategy) and to send them to the Commission in time (if applicable)	Y/N	
3	The audit strategy and the annual audit plans are approved by a duly authorised person	Y/N	

**3.4.** Responsible authority acting as an executing body — if applicable

Short description of the reasons leading the responsible authority to implement projects directly and the specific arrangements foreseen to strengthen the management and control systems/*This description should include all authorities*]

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	The justification of the need for the responsible authority to implement projects will be documented and endorsed at the appropriate level	Y/N	
2	Specific arrangements are put in place to ensure that the nature and the objectives of the projects comply with the provisions defined for the Fund		
3	Specific arrangements are put in place in order to prevent conflict of interest for the projects implemented by the responsible authority	Y/N	
4	Specific arrangements are put in place to ensure the	Y/N	

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	the implementation of projects by the responsible authority	2000,730,20), 111112,200, (See	
5	Procedures are defined to ensure that the contractual terms governing these projects are clear and complete in particular with regard to the financing conditions, the payment terms, the eligibility rules and the obligations regarding operational and financial reporting	Y/N	
6	Specific arrangements are put in place in order to ensure that the main functions of the responsible authority as provided for in the basic act are not affected in relation to the projects implemented by the responsible authority	Y/N	
7	When the responsible authority acts as an executing body, the audit authority is located in another body than the responsible authority (if not, please describe the additional guarantees put in place to ensure the proper independence of the audit authority)	Y/N	
8	The audit strategy will cover the specific risks which may be related to the implementation	Y/N	

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**3.5.** Selection and implementation of the projects (Responsible authority acting as an awarding body)

Short description of the process/This description should include the responsible
authority and the delegated authority(ies)]

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
I	In the case of call for proposals (or tenders), rules are defined to ensure open competition and adequate publicity	Y/N	
2	Selection criteria will comply with the minimum criteria defined in the basic act	Y/N	
3	Procedures are defined for the receipt of proposals (or tenders)	Y/N	
4	Procedures are defined to ensure that the proposals (or tenders) are assessed against the predefined rules and criteria in a transparent and non-discriminatory manner	Y/N	
5	The award decisions and the contracts/ grant agreements will be approved by a duly authorised person	Y/N	
6	Procedures are defined to ensure adequate ex-post information on the results of the selection process to the applicants	Y/N	
7	Procedures are defined to ensure the monitoring of the implementation of	Y/N	

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**3.6.** Monitoring of the projects implemented by the final beneficiaries

Short description of the process[This description should include the responsible	e
authority and the delegated authority(ies)]	

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	Key operational and financial indicators will be established, monitored and communicated to the responsible authority for each project	Y/N	
2	On-the-spot verifications by the responsible authority are foreseen to allow monitoring (of both the operational and financial aspects) of the projects	Y/N	
3	The responsible authority will ensure that final beneficiaries make use of an appropriate accounting system in computerised form	Y/N	
4	The responsible authority will ensure that final beneficiaries implement the provisions on the visibility of the EU funding	Y/N	

#### 3.7. Financial management of the project

Short description of the process/*involves the responsible authority and the delegated authority*(*ies*)]

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	Financial transactions will be approved by duly authorised persons	Y/N	
2	Prior to making any payments/recoveries,	Y/N	

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	to ensure that the established financial procedures are respected	2000/430/EC), ANNEAES. (See	
5	Verifications will be performed on the complementarity with other Community financial programmes in order to avoid double funding	Y/N	

<b>3.8.</b> Irregularities, corrections and recoveries
Short description of the process[This description should include the responsible
authority, the delegated authority(ies) and the certifying authority]

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	Definitions of irregularities are established and comply with the Community requirements	Y/N	
2	Mechanisms are in place to ensure that irregularities can be detected in due time and immediate corrective measure are taken	Y/N	
3	Procedures are in place to ensure that the Commission is kept informed of irregularities detected, and if appropriate, of any corrective measures taken in accordance with the obligations set out in this decision	Y/N	
4	Procedures are in place to ensure a proper follow- up of recovery orders issued and, if	Y/N	

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5	In case recovery	Y/N	
5	orders cannot be	1/11	
	cashed in, causes		
	will be identified		
	to evaluate whether		
	Member States		
	should reimburse		
	the funds to the		
	Community Budget		
	or not		

**3.9.** Preparation and implementation of audit missions

Short description of the process/*This description should include the audit authority* and, as potential auditees, the responsible authority and the delegated authority(ies) and, as recipient of the conclusions, the certifying authority/

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	The audit practice is in line with internationally accepted standards	Y/N	
2	An audit manual is established for use by the auditors on the basis of the requirements defined in the basic act	Y/N	
3	Audits will be carried out to verify the effective functioning of the management and control systems	Y/N	
4	The checks to be carried on the eligible expenditure will be based on an appropriate sample, and will consist of at least 10 % of eligible expenses	Y/N	
5	The verifications on eligible expenses will verify at least the compliance, effectiveness and efficiency of the following elements: selection procedure,	Y/N	

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	the achievements, eligibility of	
	the expenses, valid supporting documents for the expenses, national co-financing, audit trail	
6	A follow-up of earlier recommendations will take place on a regular basis	Y/N
7	The projects implemented by the responsible authority will be subject to robust scrutiny	Y/N

3.10. Audit report on annual programmes and related declarations

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	Procedures are established to consolidate the conclusions of the systems audit and the audit of projects for each annual programme	Y/N	
2	Checks will be performed to assess the validity of the requests for payment	Y/N	
3	Further examination will be launched in case of systemic errors or errors over the materiality threshold are detected	Y/N	
4	The report and the related declarations will be approved by a duly authorised person	Y/N	

3.11. Certification of expenditure

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	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	Procedures are established to ensure that the necessary information is received from the responsible authority for the purpose of certification	Y/N	
2	Procedures are established to ensure that the audit report on each annual programme and the related declarations are received from the audit authority	Y/N	
3	Procedures are established to ensure that recoveries are taken into account for the final declaration of expenditure and to follow on-going legal proceedings or administrative appeals with suspensive effect regarding recoveries	Y/N	
4	Verifications will be performed to ensure the accuracy and completeness of the declaration of expenditure (in particular, on any interest generated by the pre-financing received from the Commission as well as its effective use as national contribution)	Y/N	
5	In case of local currency, the methods used for the calculation in Euro comply with the	Y/N	

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#### **3.12.** Evaluation of the programme

Short description of the process/involves the responsible authority and the delegated	!
authority(ies)]	

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	The guidance documents from the Commission on evaluations are disseminated widely and made available to all potential final beneficiaries and other interested parties	Y/N	
2	The key operational and financial indicators provided by the final beneficiaries to measure the achievements of the project will be recorded	Y/N	
3	The responsible authority (and/or delegated authorities) will ensure that the indicators provided are appropriate to measure the outcome and results of each project	Y/N	
4	Procedures are in place to ensure that the necessary evaluation will be carried out as required by the basic act	Y/N	

#### 4. INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

<b>4.1.</b> Documentation on the procedures				
Short description of the process[involves all authorities]				
	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments	

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2	The procedures are approved by a duly authorised person	Y/N	
3	The established procedures set out clear instructions concerning each of the main operations and explain the decision-making circuits concerning the performance of functions	Y/N	
4	Arrangements are in place to ensure that all relevant staff is informed of the established procedures	Y/N	
5	Where appropriate, these procedures include the use of check-lists summarising the key controls to be performed	Y/N	
6	Arrangements are in place to ensure the protection of personal data	Y/N	

## 4.2. Accounting and book keeping

Short description of the process[involves the responsible authority, the delegated authority(ies) and the certifying authority]

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	Arrangements are in place to ensure that accounting data is complete,	Y/N	

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	accounting system will allow:		
	<ul> <li>a full traceability of the Community resources at the level of the final beneficiaries and projects</li> <li>the identification</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>of any interest generated by the pre- financing received from the Commission</li> <li>— the identification of recovery orders issued and if applicable, whether they have been cashed</li> </ul>		
2	The accounting and financial reporting system complies with the national data protection legislation	Y/N	
3	The accounting and financial reporting system to be used will be in computerised form	Y/N	
4	A back-up system exists to guarantee the continuity of operations should the need arise	Y/N	
5	In case of local currency, the methods used for	Y/N	

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	rules defined by the		
	Commission		

<b>4.3.</b> Reporting to the Commission					
Short description of the process[involves all authorities]					
Key targets	Achieved?	Co			

	Key targets	Achieved?	Comments
1	Reporting obligations have been identified as well as the implications for resources	Y/N	
2	The established procedures allow proper, timely and complete input by the designated authorities	Y/N	
3	Reports are approved by a duly authorised person	Y/N	

<b>4.4.</b> Audit trail						
Short description of the process <i>[involves all authorities]</i>						
Where are the following documents kept?	Body/Unit in charge	How long for?				
Description of the management and control systems including manual(s) of procedures						
Audit strategy						
National multiannual programme and possible revisions						
National annual programmes and possible revisions						
European Commission Decisions on multiannual and annual programmes						
Calls for proposals/Calls for tender						
Applicant files/Contract files						
Administrative, technical and financial analysis of proposals/tenders received						

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Funding decisions or rejections	
Project funding agreements	
Financial commitment decisions for each of the projects	
Progress reports and final reports submitted by funding recipients	
Financial reports and payment applications submitted by funded Project	
Supporting documents for expenditure and revenue for funded Project	
Payments/recovery authorisations for funding (proof of verifications performed)	
Payments/recovery orders for funding	
Proof of payments/recovery of funding	
Documentation related to the sampling methodology for the audit activity	
Reports on audits carried out on projects	
Reports on audits carried out at national level on management and control systems	
Audit reports on annual programmes	
Audit opinions on the management and control systems	
Audit declarations on the validity of the requests for payment	
Requests for payment sent to	

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Commission	
Progress implementation reports sent to the European Commission	
Final implementation reports sent to the European Commission	
Proof of payment received from the European Commission	
Evaluation reports sent to the European Commission	

# 5. APPROVAL OF THE DESCRIPTION OF THE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL SYSTEMS

Authorit	Declaration	Date and signature
Responsible authority	I certify the accuracy and completeness of the information about the identification and internal control systems of the responsible authority	Name: Function: Date:
		signature
Certifying authority	I certify the accuracy and completeness of the information about the identification and internal control systems of the certifying authority	Name: Function: Date:
		signature
Audit authority	I certify the accuracy and completeness of the information about the identification and internal control systems of the audit authority and I can confirm that what has been described provides a reliable picture of all the management and control systems	Name: Function: Date:
		signature

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## MODEL MULTIANNUAL PROGRAMME

- # Initial version
- # Revised version (number, date dd/mm/year) following dialogue with the Commission

# Version revised in the light of evaluations and/or following implementation difficulties

# Version revised following the revision of the strategic guidelines

## MEMBER STATE:

## FUND:

## **RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY:**

## PERIOD COVERED:

## 1. SITUATION IN THE MEMBER STATE

A description of the baseline situation in the Member State in the policy field covered by the Fund's objectives

- 1.1. The national situation and the migratory flows affecting it
- 1.2. The measures undertaken by the Member State so far
- 1.3. The total national resources allocated

## 2. ANALYSIS OF REQUIREMENTS IN THE MEMBER STATE

- 2.1. The requirements in the Member State in relation to the baseline situation
- 2.2. The operational objectives of the Member State designed to meet its requirements

## 3. STRATEGY TO ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVES

A description of how the Fund contributes to meeting the requirements, which priorities have been chosen and why

- 3.1. Priority 1
- 3.2. Priority 2
- 3.3. Etc.

Breakdown when presenting the information on the priorities chosen

- (a) The objective(s) of the strategy and examples of key actions
- (b) Description of target(s) concerned and the indicator(s) used
- (c) If appropriate, an indication of which key actions are considered as implementing specific priorities under the chosen priority

## 4. COMPATIBILITY WITH OTHER INSTRUMENTS

An indication of how this strategy is compatible with other regional, national and Community instruments

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- 4.2. Priority 2
- 4.3. Etc.
- 5. FRAMEWORK FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STRATEGY
- 5.1. The publication of the programme
- 5.2. The approach chosen to implement the principle of partnership
- INDICATIVE FINANCING PLAN 6.
- 6.1 **Community Contribution**
- 6.1.1. Table

Multiannual programme — draft financial plan

		y contribut	tion					
	· State: [.	]						
Fund: [.	]							
(in EUR 1 000 — current prices)	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	TOTAL
Priority 1: []								0
Priority 2: []								0
Priority 3: []								0
Priority : []								0
a								0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

#### 6.1.2. Comments on the figures/trends

- 6.2 Overall financing plan
- 6.2.1. Table

Multian	Multiannual programme — Draft financial plan							
Table 20	Table 20verall financing plan							
Member	Member State: []							
Fund: [.	Fund: []							
(in EUR 1	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	TOTAL

cofinanci	ng							
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Communi	ty							
contributi	on							

## 6.2.2. Comments on the figures/trends

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## MODEL ANNUAL PROGRAMME

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- # Version revised for other reasons

MEMBER STATE:

FUND:

**RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY:** 

## YEAR COVERED:

- 1. GENERAL RULES FOR SELECTION OF PROJECTS TO BE FINANCED UNDER THE PROGRAMME
- 2. .....
- 3. ACTIONS TO BE SUPPORTED BY THE PROGRAMME UNDER THE PRIORITIES CHOSEN
- 3.1. Actions implementing priority 1
- 3.2. Actions implementing priority 2
- 3.3. Etc.

When presenting the actions under points 3.1. to etc, where relevant, provide a breakdown according to the description of categories of actions in the basic act

Aspects of the action presented when describing each action under points 3.1 to etc

- 1. Purpose and scope of the action
- 2. Expected grant recipients
- 3. Where appropriate, justification regarding project(s) implemented directly by the responsible authority acting as an executing body
- 4. Expected quantified results and indicators to be used
- 5. Visibility of EC funding
- 6. Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments, if appropriate
- 7. Financial information
- 4. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
- 4.1 Purpose of the technical assistance
- <sup>F1</sup>4.2 .....
- 4.3 Visibility of EC funding
- 5. DRAFT FINANCING PLAN

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Member State: [...]

Annual programme concerned: [...]

Fund: [...]

	Ref.	Ref.	Comm	uniPyublic	Private	Total	% EC	Share
	priority	specific	Contri		of total			
(all figures in EUR)		priority <sup>a</sup>	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d = a + b + c)	(e = a/ d)	(d/ total d)
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Action 2: []						0		
Action 3: []						0		
Action 4: []						0		
Action 5: []						0		
Action : []						0		
Action N: []						0		
Technical assistance						0		
Other operations	b					0		
Total			0	0	0	0	%	100 %
a If applic	able.	I		I				
<b>b</b> If applic	able.							

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#### MODEL PROGRESS REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ANNUAL PROGRAMME

MEMBER STATE:

FUND:

## **RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY:**

YEAR COVERED:

- A. Technical report
- 1. OPERATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION
- 1.1. Time table for the implementation of the programme
- [<sup>F2</sup>1.2. Description of the process concerning selection of projects (at the level of the Responsible Authority/Delegated authority or associated bodies) and their results]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F2 Substituted by Commission Decision of 2 March 2011 amending Decision 2008/456/EC laying down rules for the implementation of Decision No 574/2007/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the External Borders Fund for the period 2007 to 2013 as part of the General programme 'Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows' as regards Member States' management and control systems, the rules for administrative and financial management and the eligibility of expenditure on projects co-financed by the Fund (notified under document C(2011) 1160) (Only the Bulgarian, Czech, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish and Swedish texts are authentic) (2011/148/EU).
- 1.3. Progress made in implementing the actions of the programme under the priorities chosen
- 1.3.1 Actions implementing Priority 1
- 1.3.2 Actions implementing Priority 2

Etc.

- 1.4. Use of technical assistance
- 1.5. Problems encountered and measures taken
- 2. FINANCIAL IMPLEMENTATION

Progress report on the implementation of the annual programme

Table 1Financial report

Member State: [...] Annual programme concerned: [...]

a If applicable.

**b** If applicable.

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Action 1: []										
Action 2: []										
Action 3: []										
Action 4: []										
Action 5: []										
Action N: []										
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Other operation	ns <sup>a</sup>									
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									Yes/ No	Yes/ No

**b** If applicable.

## 3. REPORTING ON IRREGULARITIES

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Table 2Initial reporting on irregularity

Member State: [...]

Situation at: [day/month/year]

## Fund: [...]

Referenc	eAnnual	Project	Provisio		Date/	Method	Possibili	tyAmount
	program	ime	infringe	d of irregula	source rityf first informa	of detection tion	of fraud (Y/N)	concerned in EUR(Community contribution)

**a** Since the last progress/final report sent to the Commission.

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ss report	on the in	nplement	tation of	the annua	al progra	ımme			
Reportir	g of foll	ow-up of	f irregula	arities					
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## B. Request for the second pre-financing payment

I, the undersigned [name in capitals of the person in charge],

representing the responsible authority for managing and implementing the [name of the Fund] request payment of the following amount as the second pre-financing payment.

Eu	ro <sup>a</sup>	
a	Total amount requested to complement the first pre-financ	ng.

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This request for payment is admissible because:

- (a) a progress report on implementation of the annual programme has been submitted to the Commission or is attached;
- (b) a certified declaration of expenditure drawn up accounting for at least 60 % of the amount of the first pre-financing has been submitted or is attached;
- (c) the annual programme has been implemented according to the principle of sound financial management and there is a reasonable assurance that the underlying transactions are legal and regular;
- (d) there is no reasoned opinion by the Commission in respect of an infringement under Article 226 of the Treaty, as regards the actions for which the expenditure is declared in the request.

Payment should be made by the Commission to:

Authority responsible for receiving payments	
Bank	
Bank account No	
Account holder (if not the same as the authority responsible for receiving payments)	

Date	Name in capital letters, stamp, position and
	signature of competent authority

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## MODEL FINAL REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ANNUAL PROGRAMME

## MEMBER STATE:

FUND:

## **RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY:**

## YEAR COVERED:

- A. Technical report
- 1. OPERATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION
- 1.1. Time table on the implementation of the programme
- [<sup>F2</sup>1.2. Update from the progress report on the description of the organisation of the selection of projects (at the level of the Responsible Authority/Delegated authority or associated bodies) and their results, if appropriate]
- 1.3. The achievements in implementing the actions of the programme under the priorities chosen
- 1.3.1. Actions implementing priority 1
- 1.3.2. Actions implementing priority 2
- 1.3.3. Etc.

## Aspects of the action presented when describing each action under point 1.3 to etc.

- 1. Purpose and scope of the action
- 2. Changes from the programme as approved by the Commission (if appropriate)
- 3. Monitoring activities undertaken during and after the implementation
- 4. Actual results
- 5. Assessment of the actual results in comparison to the targets and indicators set in the programme
- 1.4. The results of the technical assistance
- 1.5. Problems encountered and measures taken on the implementation of the programme
- 1.6. Procedures applied when the responsible authority implemented project(s) directly acting as an executing body (if appropriate)
- 1.7. Coherence and complementarity with other instruments
- [<sup>F3</sup>1.8. Confirmation that no substantial changes to the Management and control system have taken place since the last revision notified to the Commission on ...]

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#### Textual Amendments

- F3 Inserted by Commission Decision of 2 March 2011 amending Decision 2008/456/EC laying down rules for the implementation of Decision No 574/2007/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the External Borders Fund for the period 2007 to 2013 as part of the General programme 'Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows' as regards Member States' management and control systems, the rules for administrative and financial management and the eligibility of expenditure on projects co-financed by the Fund (notified under document C(2011) 1160) (Only the Bulgarian, Czech, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish and Swedish texts are authentic) (2011/148/EU).
- 2. ASSESSMENT OF THE PROGRESS MADE IN IMPLEMENTING THE MULTIANNUAL PROGRAMME
- 3. MEASURES TAKEN TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE PROGRAMME
- 3.1. Measures taken to make the multiannual<sup>(1)</sup> and annual programme public
- 3.2. Implementation of the visibility principle
- [<sup>F2</sup>4. FINANCIAL IMPLEMENTATION

## FINAL REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ANNUAL PROGRAMME

## Table 1Detailed financial report

	A	nnual	progr		] e conce nonth/		[]								
(all figures in euro) Programm by MS (as in the Commission approved annual programm					ion	at the level of the MS			Actual figures accepted by the responsible authority(costs incurred by the beneficiaries and final EC contribution)						
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		prio		iliproş ri <b>ç</b> yst			io <b>el(ig</b> ) tr <b>ibust</b>			io <b>el(g)</b> ribst			r <b>ilhin</b> t	ib <b>by</b> i i <b>cs(;</b> )	er <b>Ricec</b> bvery to be e <b>ctn(4c)</b> e by the <u>RA(1)</u>
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<b>a</b> If	[] Fapplicat	ole.]													

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Situation	at:	[day/month/year]	

Total Action 1											
Actiomproject : 1: [] []											
project N: []											
Total Action: []											
Actiomproject N: 1: [] []											
project N: []											
Total Action N											
Technical assistance											
Other operations <sup>a</sup>											
TOTAL	0	0	0 %	0	0	0 %	0	0	0 %	0	
a If applicable.]											

# 4.1. [<sup>F4</sup>List of all pending recoveries six months after the eligibility deadline for expenditure]

1	1		the annual pro	gramme		
Table 2List	of pending re	covery order	S			
Member St	ate: []					
Fund: []						
Situation at	: [day/montl	n/year]				
Reference	Annual Programm	Project e	Total amount to be recovered	EC contributio to be recovered	Deduced nfrom the related financial report (Y/N)	Reasons for recovery

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Decision of 5 March 2008 laying down rules for the implementation of Decision No 574/2007/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the External Borders Fund for the period 2007 to 2013 as part of the General programme 'Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows' as regards Member States' management and control systems, the rules for administrative and financial management and the eligibility of expenditure on projects co-financed by the Fund (notified under document number C(2008) 789) (Only the Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish and Swedish texts are authentic) (2008/456/EC), ANNEXES. (See end of Document for details)
 Textual Amendments

- F4 Substituted by Commission Decision of 10 July 2009 amending Decision 2008/456/EC laying down rules for the implementation of Decision No 574/2007/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the External Borders Fund for the period 2007 to 2013 as part of the General programme 'Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows' as regards Member States' management and control systems, the rules for administrative and financial management and the eligibility of expenditure on projects co-financed by the Fund (notified under document number C(2009) 5373) (Only the Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish and Swedish texts are authentic) (2009/538/EC).
- 4.2. List of recovery orders **not** included in the financial reports of the previous annual programmes (if appropriate)

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Table 3List of recovery orders not already deducted from previous declarations of expenditure

Member St	ate: []										
Fund: []	Fund: []										
Situation at	t: [day/montl	n/year]									
Reference	Annual programme	Project	Total amount recovered	EC contributio recovered	Date of nrecovery	Reasons for recovery					

# 5. REPORTING ON IRREGULARITIES

Notificat	ion of new	v irregular	ities <sup>a</sup> ?	No		Yes (if Yes, fill in table 4)			
Final repo	ort on the i	implementa	ation of the	annual pr	ogramme				
Table 4In	itial report	ting on irre	gularity		-				
Member	State: [	.]							
Situation	at: [day/	month/yea	ır]						
Fund: [	•]								
Referenc	eAnnual	Project	Provision	1 Туре	Date/	Method	PossibilityAmount		
	program	ime	infringed	l of irregula	Source ri <b>ty</b> f first informat		of fraud(Y/ N)	concerned in EUR (Communit contributio	

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Table 5Reporting of follow-up of irregularities

Member State: [...]

Situation at: [day/month/year]

# Fund: [...]

Refere	nc <b>æ</b> nnua progra	U U	t ProvisioAmountFoll infringedoncern <b>e</b> p			EUR)	•		Cancellation of		
				(EC contril in EUR	actions oution)	Issued	Paid	Defaul interes	t Waive t	d EC contrib	oution

# [<sup>F2</sup>6. ANNEXES

Project eligible expenditure and income compliance with the non-profit rule and project summary description.

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Table 6 AProject eligible cost and sources of income Compliance with the principle of non-
profit as set out in item I.3.3 of Annex XI

Situation a	t: day/mon	th/year						
	Eligible	cost		Sources of income				
	Direct costs	Indirect costs	<ul> <li>Total eligible cost</li> <li>(c) = (a) + (b)</li> </ul>	Contribu from the EU	iti <b>Gi</b> ontribu from third parties	itidReceipts generated by the project	Total income(as set out in item I.3.3 of Annex XI) (h)= (e) + (f) + (g)	
	(a)	(b)		(e)	(f)	(g)		
Project reference								
Project reference								
Project reference								
etc.								

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	enian," Spanish a	nd Swedish texts	are authentic) (	2008/456/EC), .	<u>ANNEXES. (See</u>	end of Documen	t for details)
TOTAL ACTION 1							
Project reference							
Project reference							
Project reference							
etc.							
TOTAL ACTION 2							
Project reference							
Project reference							
Project reference							
etc.							
TOTAL ACTION N							
TECHNIC ASSISTAN							
TOTAL ANNUAL PROGRAM	ИME						]

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Final report on	the implementation of the annual programme
	Table 6 B Report per project
Situation at: (day/month/year)	
Project reference and title:	
Final beneficiary:	
Action (number):	
Priority (number):	
If applicable, Specific Priority	
Short technical summary	
If applicable, justification of Specific Priority	
Indicator-based objectives and results — achievements of the project	

B. Request for payment of the balance/Statement of reimbursement

I, the undersigned [name in capitals of the person in charge],

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EUR<sup>a</sup> +

**a** Total amount requested to complement the pre-financing payment(s).

[exact figure to two decimal places]

OR

declare for reimbursement the following amount:

EU	UR <sup>a</sup>	
a	Total amount to be reimbursed after the clearing of	the pre-financing payment(s).

[exact figure to two decimal places]

This amount results from the balance between the total amount of pre-financing payment(s) received for this annual programme and the actual expenditure declared.

This request for payment is admissible because:

- (a) a final report on implementation of the annual programme has been submitted to the Commission or is attached;
- (b) a certified declaration of expenditure has been submitted or is attached;
- (c) an annual audit report, an opinion on the functioning of the management and control system and a declaration on the validity of the payment request prepared by the audit authority have been submitted or are attached;
- (d) any interest generated by the pre-financing payments has been posted to the annual programme, being regarded as national contribution and has been taken into account in the declaration of expenditure;
- (e) the annual programme has been implemented according to the principle of sound financial management and there is a reasonable assurance that the underlying transactions are legal and regular;
- (f) there is no reasoned opinion by the Commission in respect of an infringement under Article 226 of the Treaty, as regards the actions for which the expenditure is declared in the request.

 Authority responsible for receiving payments

 Bank

 Bank account No

 Account holder (if not the same as the authority responsible for receiving payments)

Payment should be made by the Commission to:

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# MODEL AUDIT STRATEGY

MEMBER STATE:

FUND(S):

**RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY:** 

- 1. THE AUDIT UNIVERSE
- 1.1. Scope of the strategy (Funds covered)
- 1.2. Period covered by the strategy
- 1.3. Audit standards applied
- 2. RISK ASSESSMENT
- 2.1. Risk identification and assessment
- 2.2. Risk response and residual risk
- 3. OBJECTIVES AND PRIORITIES
- 3.1. Objectives of the audits
- 3.2. Priorities for the audits
- 4. AUDIT APPROACH
- 4.1. System audits
- 4.1.1. The responsible body/-ies for the audit work
- 4.1.2. The authorities to be audited
- 4.1.3. Horizontal issues to be covered by the system audits
- 4.1.4. Indicative multiannual plan for system audits (if possible)
- 4.2. Audits of projects
- 4.2.1. The responsible body/ies for the audit work
- 4.2.2. Description of the sampling methodology
- 5. AUDIT PLANS COVERING CALENDAR YEARS 2007 AND 2008
- 5.1. Year 2007<sup>(2)</sup>

# Year 2007

Funds	Authorit <b>les</b> ocesses concerne <b>d</b> oncerned			Scope o	of the audit		Planning	

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Funds	Program	m <b>Pne</b> iority	Project	Final	Total	Costs	Man-	Planning
	Year			benefic	ia <b>ch</b> igible costs of the project	to be audited	days	

# 5.2. Year 2008

Insert data using the model table defined for year 2007 Annex(es) to the audit strategy<sup>(3)</sup>: Annual plans

# MEMBER STATE:

FUND:

# **RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY:**

# CALENDAR YEAR COVERED:

- 1. CHANGES TO THE AUDIT STRATEGY, WHERE APPLICABLE
- 2. MAIN RESULTS OF AUDITS OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR
- 3. AUDIT PLAN YEAR 20XX

Insert data using the model table defined for year 2007

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# MODEL REPORT BY THE AUDIT AUTHORITY

MEMBER STATE:

FUND:

**RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY:** 

# ANNUAL PROGRAMME COVERED BY THE REPORT:

- A. Annual audit report
- 1. GENERAL INFORMATION
- 1.1. The bodies that have been involved in preparing the report
- 1.2. Identification and justification of major changes in the implementation of the audit plans related to the annual programme concerned
- 1.3. Summary table of the results of the audits

Audit report	
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Member State: [...]

Annual programme concerned: [...]

Situation at: [day/month/year]

# SYSTEM AUDITS CLOSED SINCE LAST REPORT

Fund(s	) Autho concer	ri <b>ffr9</b> ces: n <b>ed</b> ncer	ses ned	Scope of	of the audit	Man-d spent	lays	Date of report	f final

# AUDITS OF PROJECTS LINKED TO ANNUAL PROGRAMME 20xx

Fund(s) Project	Final beneficiary	Total eligible costs	Eligible costs audited	Financial correction	Error rate
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d = c/b)

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 Total annual programme
 (e)
 (f)
 Coverage rate: (= f/e)

# 2. SYSTEMS AUDITS

- 2.1. The bodies that carried out audits
- 2.2. A summary list of the audits carried out
- 2.3. The principal findings, recommendations and the conclusions drawn from the audit work for the management and control systems
- 2.4. Financial impact of the audit findings
- 2.5. Additional work, where appropriate
- 2.6. Indication whether any problems identified were considered to be systemic in nature and the measures taken, including a quantification of any financial corrections
- 2.7. Information on the follow-up of the audit recommendations
- 3. AUDITS ON PROJECTS
- 3.1. The bodies that carried out the audits
- 3.2. A summary list of audits carried out and the percentage of expenditure checked in relation to total eligible expenditure declared to the Commission
- 3.3. The principal findings, recommendations and conclusions of the audits with regard to the projects implemented
- 3.4. The conclusions drawn from the results of the audits with regard to the effectiveness of the management and control system
- 3.5. Financial impact of the audit findings
- 3.6. Additional work, where appropriate
- 3.7. Information on the follow-up of audit recommendations
- 3.8. Indication whether any problems identified were considered to be systemic in nature and the measures taken, including a quantification of any financial corrections
- 4. FOLLOW UP OF AUDIT ACTIVITY COVERED BY PREVIOUS REPORTS, IF APPROPRIATE
- 4.1. Information on the follow-up to previous system audit recommendations
- 4.2. Information on results of audits of actions of a systemic nature from previous annual programmes

[signature of the responsible person]

B. Opinion on the functioning of the management and control systems

To the European Commission

1. INTRODUCTION

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Decision of 5 March 2008 laying down rules for the implementation of Decision No 574/2007/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the External Borders Fund for the period 2007 to 2013 as part of the General programme 'Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows' as regards Member States' management and control systems, the rules for administrative and financial management and the eligibility of expenditure on projects co-financed by the Fund (notified under document number C(2008) 789) (Only the Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian,

I, the undersigned representing the financial audit authority designated by Mender State, have examined the function of solution and the systems for the systems for the grame of the Fund regarding the actions implemented under the annual programme for the year [20XX], in order to issue an opinion on whether the systems functioned effectively so as to provide reasonable assurance that declarations of expenditure presented to the Commission are correct and, as a consequence, reasonable assurance that the underlying transactions are legal and regular.

# 2. SCOPE OF THE EXAMINATION

The examination was carried out in accordance with the audit strategy in respect of this Fund during the period [dd/mm/year] to [dd/mm/year] and reported in the annual audit report under section A.

# Either

There were no limitations on the scope of the examination.

# or

The scope of the examination was limited by the following factors:

- (a) [...]
- (b) [...]
- (c) etc.

(Indicate any limitation on the scope of the examination, for example any systemic problems, weaknesses in the management and control system, lack of supporting documentation, cases under legal proceedings, etc., and estimate the amounts of expenditure and the Community contribution affected. If the audit authority does not consider that the limitations have an impact on the expenditure declared, this should be stated.)

# 3. OPINION

Either (unqualified opinion)

Based on the examination referred to above, it is my opinion that, for the abovementioned annual programme, the management and control systems established for the [name of the Fund] complied with the applicable requirements of the basic act No 574/2007/EC [and Commission Decision (EC) No [2008/456/EC] and functioned effectively so as to provide reasonable assurance that declarations of expenditure presented to the Commission are correct and, as a consequence, reasonable assurance that the underlying transactions are legal and regular. Or (qualified opinion)

Based on the examination referred to above, it is my opinion that, for the abovementioned annual programme, the management and control systems established for the [name of the Fund] complied with the applicable requirements of the basic act No 574/2007/EC [and Commission Decision (EC) No 2008/456/EC] and functioned effectively so as to provide reasonable assurance that declarations of expenditure presented to the Commission are correct and, as a consequence, reasonable assurance that the underlying transactions are legal and regular, except in the following respects:

- (a) [...]
- (b) [...]
- (c) etc.

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My reasons-force under ingert hamber (2008) 759) (only the Bugarlan, Czew, Danish, Duich, English, Estonian, My reasons-force considering that this (thas a) aspect (s) with expected and the systems did on of comply invite the requirements and/orisdid for operate invision (thas a) aspect (s) with 555 of the systems did on of comply invite the correctness of the declarations of expenditure presented to the Commission are as follows:

- (a) [...]
- (b) [...]
- (c) etc.

I estimate the impact of the qualification(s) to be [...] % of the total expenditure declared. The Community contribution affected is thus [...] Or (adverse opinion)

Based on the examination referred to above, it is my opinion that, for the abovementioned annual programme, the management and control system established for the [name of the Fund] did not comply with the requirements of Articles [...] of the basic act No 574/2007/EC [and Commission Decision (EC) No 2008/456/EC] and did not function effectively so as to provide reasonable assurance that declarations of expenditure presented to the Commission are correct and, as a consequence, does not provide reasonable assurance that the underlying transactions are legal and regular.

This adverse opinion is based on:

- (a) [...]
- (b) [...]
- (c) etc.

Date

Signature

[signature of the responsible person]

C. Validation of the payment request

To the European Commission

1. INTRODUCTION

I, the undersigned, representing the (name of the audit authority designated by Member State), have, for the annual programme [20xx] of the [name of the Fund], examined the results of the audit work carried out on this annual programme [and have carried out the additional work I judged necessary as set out in the report].

I have planned and performed this work with a view to assessing whether the request for payment of the balance of the Community contribution to the annual programme [20xx] is valid and the underlying transactions covered by the declarations of expenditure regarding this annual programme are legal and regular.

2. SCOPE OF THE EXAMINATION

Either

There were no limitations on the scope of the examination.

or

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(a) [...]

(b) [...]

(c) etc.

3. OPINION

Either (unqualified opinion)

Based on the examination referred to above, it is my opinion that the declarations of expenditure present fairly, in all material respects, the expenditure paid under the annual programme and that the request for payment of the balance of the Community contribution to this annual programme is valid.

Or (qualified opinion)

Based on the examination referred to above, it is my opinion that the declarations of expenditure present fairly, in all material respects, the expenditure paid under the annual programme and that the request for payment of the balance of the Community contribution to this annual programme is valid, except with regard to the following points:

- (a) [...]
- (b) [...]
- (c) etc.

I estimate the impact of these qualifications to be ... of the total expenditure declared. The Community contribution affected is thus....

Or (adverse opinion)

Based on the examination referred to above, it is my opinion that the declarations of expenditure do not present fairly, in all material respects, the expenditure paid under the annual programme and that, as a consequence, the request for payment of the balance of the Community contribution to this annual programme is not valid.

Date

Signature

[signature of the responsible person]

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# [<sup>F2</sup>MODEL CERTIFICATION FOR SECOND PRE-FINANCING]

MEMBER STATE:

FUND:

**CERTIFYING AUTHORITY:** 

## ANNUAL PROGRAMME COVERED BY THE CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned, [name of the person in charge]

representing the certifying authority designated for the [name of the Fund]

hereby certify that all expenditure included in the progress report on the implementation of the annual programme amounts to:

EUR <sup>a</sup>		
	E1	

**a** Total amount of [<sup>F1</sup>eligible] expenditure paid by final beneficiaries or used for the technical assistance.

[exact figure to two decimal places]

I also certify that actions are progressing in pursuance with the objectives laid down in the Commission Decision adopting the annual programme and in accordance with the basic act and its implementing rules, and in particular, that:

- 1. the declaration of expenditure is accurate, results from reliable accounting systems and is based on verifiable supporting documents;
- 2. [<sup>F2</sup>the expenditure declared has been incurred in respect of actions selected for funding in accordance with the criteria applicable to the annual programme;]
- 3. for the purpose of certification, I have received adequate information from the Responsible Authority on the procedures and verifications carried out in relation to expenditure included in statements of expenditure;
- 4. the declaration of expenditure and the request for the second pre-financing payment take account, where applicable, of any amounts recovered and of any interest received under the annual programme.

This declaration of expenditure is based on accounts provisionally closed on [dd/mm/20yy].

In accordance with Article 45 of the basic act, the supporting documents are and will continue to be available for at least five years following the closure of the annual programme by the Commission.

Name in capital letters, stamp, position and signature of certifying authority

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# [<sup>F2</sup>MODEL CERTIFICATION FOR FINAL PAYMENT]

MEMBER STATE:

FUND:

**CERTIFYING AUTHORITY:** 

# ANNUAL PROGRAMME COVERED BY THE CERTIFICATION:

I, the undersigned, [name of the person in charge]

representing the certifying authority designated for the [name of the Fund]

hereby certify that all expenditure included in the final report on the implementation of the annual programme amounts to:

EU	JR <sup>a</sup>				
a	a Total amount of eligible expenditure paid by final beneficiaries or used for the technical assistance.				

[exact figure to two decimal places]

I also certify that actions are progressing in pursuance with the objectives laid down in the Commission Decision adopting the annual programme and in accordance with the basic act, and in particular that:

- 1. the declaration of expenditure is accurate, results from reliable accounting systems and is based on verifiable supporting documents;
- 2. the expenditure declared complies with the applicable Community and national rules and has been incurred in respect of actions selected for funding in accordance with the criteria applicable to the annual programme and the applicable Community and national rules, in particular with public procurement rules;
- 3. I have a reasonable assurance that the underlying transactions are legal and regular;
- 4. for the purpose of certification, I have received adequate information from the Responsible Authority on the procedures and verifications carried out in relation to expenditure included in statements of expenditure;
- 5. the results of all audits carried out by or under the responsibility of the audit authority have been duly taken into account;
- 6. the declaration of expenditure and the request for the balance payment take account, where applicable, of any amounts recovered and of any interest received under the annual programme.

This declaration of expenditure is based on accounts closed on [dd/mm/20yy].

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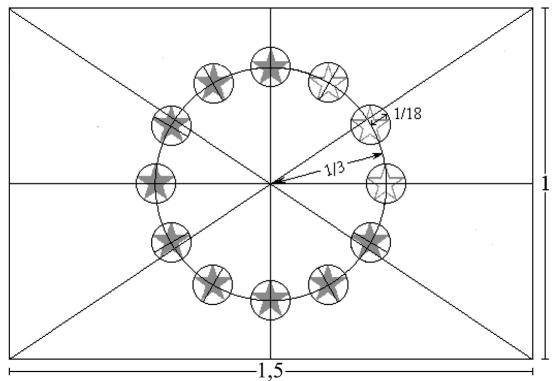
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# INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING THE EMBLEM AND DEFINITION OF THE STANDARD COLOURS

#### Symbolic description

Against a background of blue sky, 12 golden stars form a circle representing the union of the peoples of Europe. The number of stars is fixed, twelve being the symbol of perfection and unity. Heraldic description

On an azure field a circle of 12 golden mullets, their points not touching. Geometric description



The emblem has the form of a blue rectangular flag of which the fly is one and a half times the length of the hoist. 12 gold stars situated at equal intervals form an invisible circle whose centre is the point of intersection of the diagonals of the rectangle. The radius of the circle is equal to one third of the height of the hoist. Each of the stars has five points which are situated on the circumference of an invisible circle whose radius is equal to one eighteenth of the height of the hoist. All the stars are upright, i.e. with one point vertical and two points in a straight line at right angles to the mast. The circle is arranged so that the stars appear in the position of the hours on the face of a clock. Their number is invariable. Regulation colours

The emblem is in the following colours: PANTONE REFLEX BLUE for the surface of the rectangle; PANTONE YELLOW for the stars. Four-colour process

If the four-colour process is used, recreate the two standard colours by using the four colours of the four-colour process.

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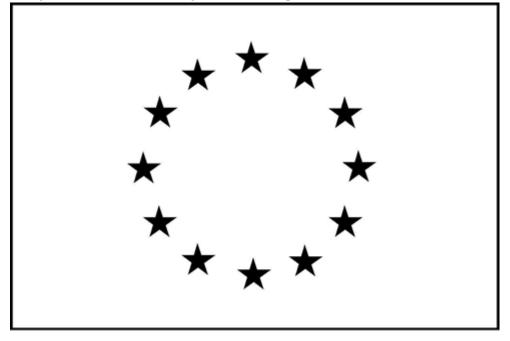
PAN FONE FEILEX BLUE is obtained by mixing 100 % 'Process Cyan' and 80 % 'Process Magenta'.

Internet

In the web-palette PANTONE REFLEX BLUE corresponds to colour RGB:0/0/153 (hexadecimal: 000099) and PANTONE YELLOW to colour RGB:255/204/0 (hexadecimal: FFCC00).

Monochrome reproduction process

Using black, outline the rectangle in black and print the stars in black on white.



Using blue (Reflex Blue), use 100 % with the stars reproduced in negative white.

Reproduction on a coloured background

If there is no alternative to a coloured background, put a white border around the rectangle, the width of the border being 1/25th of the height of the rectangle.



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# RUSERS SOM OF PERSON OF PROVIDENCE EXTERNAL BORDER'S FUND

## I. General Principles

- I.1. Basic Principles
- 1. In accordance with the basic act, for it to be eligible, expenditure must be:
- (a) within the scope of the Fund and within its objectives, as described in Articles 1 and 3 of the basic act;
- (b) within the eligible actions listed in Articles 4 and 6 of the basic act;
- (c) needed to carry out the activities covered by the project, forming part of the multiannual and annual programmes, as approved by the Commission;
- (d) reasonable and comply with the principles of sound financial management, in particular, value for money and cost-effectiveness;
- (e) incurred by the final beneficiary and/or the partners in the project, who shall be established and registered in a Member State, except in the case of international public sector organisations set up by intergovernmental agreements, and specialised agencies set up by such organisations, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the International Federation of National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies. With regard to Article 39 of this Decision, the rules applicable to the final beneficiary shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the partners in the project;
- (f) incurred in accordance with the specific provisions in the grant agreement.
- 2. In the case of multiannual actions within the meaning of Article 16(6) of the basic act, only the part of the action co-financed by an annual programme is considered to be a project for the application of these eligibility rules.
- 3. Projects supported by the Fund shall not be financed by other sources covered by the Community budget. Projects supported by the Fund shall be co-financed by public or private sources.
- I.2. Budget of a project

The budget of a project shall be presented as follows:

Expe	enditure	Income	Income		
+ +	Direct costs <i>(DC)</i> Indirect costs <i>(fixed percentage of DC, defined in the grant</i>	+	Contribution from the EC (defined as the lowest of the three amounts indicated in Article 12 of this Decision)		
	agreement)	+	Contribution from the final beneficiary and the partners in the project		
		+	Contribution from third parties		
		+	Receipts generated by the project		

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The budget shall be balanced: Total Eligible Cost shall be equal to Total Income.

# I.3. Income and Non-Profit Principle

- 1. Projects supported by the Fund must be of a non-profit-making nature. If, at the end of the project, the sources of income, including receipts, exceed expenditure, the contribution to the project from the Fund shall be reduced accordingly. All sources of income for the project must be recorded in the final beneficiary's accounts or tax documents, and must be identifiable and controllable.
- 2. Project income shall come from all financial contributions granted to the project by the Fund, from public or private sources, including the final beneficiary's own contribution, and from any receipts generated by the project. 'Receipts' for the purpose of this rule covers revenue received by a project during the eligibility period as described in point I.4, from sales, rentals, services, enrolment/fees or other equivalent income.
- 3. The Community contribution resulting from the application of the principle of nonprofit, as referred to under Article 12(c) of this Decision, will be the 'total eligible cost' minus the 'contribution from third parties' and 'receipts generated by the project'.
- I.4. *Eligibility Period*
- Costs relating to a project must be incurred and the respective payments (except for depreciation) made after 1 January of the year referred to in the financing decision approving the annual programmes of the Member States. The eligibility period is until 30 June of the year N<sup>(4)</sup> + 2, meaning that the costs relating to a project must be incurred before this date.
- 2. An exception to the eligibility period provided for in paragraph 1 is made for technical assistance for Member States (refer to point IV.3).
- I.5. *Record of expenditure*
- 1. Expenditure shall correspond to payments made by the final beneficiary. These must be in the form of financial (cash) transactions, with the exception of depreciation.
- 2. As a rule, expenditure shall be justified by official invoices. Where this cannot be done, expenditure shall be supported by accounting documents or supporting documents of equivalent evidential value.
- 3. Expenditure must be identifiable and verifiable. In particular,
- (a) it must be recorded in the accounting records of the final beneficiary;
- (b) it must be determined in accordance with the applicable accounting standards of the country where the final beneficiary is established and with the usual cost accounting practices of the final beneficiary; and
- (c) it must be declared in accordance with the requirements of applicable tax and social legislation.

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- 4. Slovak, Stavanth, Spanskyant Breath alxidered like and expenditure incurred by the partners in relation to the project concerned.
- 5. The storage and processing of records provided for in paragraphs 2 to 4 must comply with the national data protection legislation.

## I.6. *Territorial scope*

- Expenditure for actions described in Articles 4 and 6 of the basic act must be incurred in the territory of the Member States, by the final beneficiaries defined in point I.1.1. (e), with the exception of:
- expenditure implementing actions relating to the general objective defined in Article 3(1)(d) of the basic act; expenditures for those actions may be incurred in the territory of the Member States and in third countries,
- actions relating to the surveillance of external borders; those actions may take place both within and beyond the territory of Member States.
- 2. Partners in the project registered and established in third countries may participate in projects only on a no-cost basis, except in the case of international public sector organisations set up by intergovernmental agreements, and specialised agencies set up by such organisations, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the International Federation of National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.

# II. Categories of eligible costs (at project level)

# II.1. Direct eligible costs

The direct eligible costs of the project are costs that, with due regard to the general conditions of eligibility set out in part I, are identifiable as specific costs directly linked to the implementation of the project. Direct costs shall be included in the estimated overall budget of the project.

The following direct costs are eligible:

# II.1.1. Staff costs

- 1. The cost of staff assigned to the project, comprising actual salaries plus social security charges and other statutory costs is eligible, provided that this corresponds to the beneficiary's usual policy on remuneration.
- 2. For international organisations, the eligible staff cost may include provisions to cover statutory obligations and entitlements relating to remuneration.
- 3. The corresponding staff costs of staff of public bodies are eligible to the extent that they relate to the cost of activities which the relevant public body would not carry out if the project concerned were not undertaken; this staff shall be seconded or assigned to the implementation of the project by a written decision of the final beneficiary.
- 4. Staff costs shall be detailed in the forward budget, indicating functions and number of staff.

# II.1.2. *Travel and subsistence costs*

1. Travel and subsistence costs are eligible as direct costs for staff or other persons who participate in the activities of the project and whose travel is necessary for the implementation of the project.

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   Slovak, Storavar, Sports and Swaish texto be out their basis of store activate cest is incurre boochem poursement rates shall be based on the cheapest form of public transport and flights shall, as a rule, be permitted only for journeys over 800 km (return trip), or where the geographical destination justifies travelling by air. Where a private car is used, reimbursement is normally made either on the basis of the cost of public transport, or on the basis of mileage rates in accordance with published official rules in the Member State concerned or used by the final beneficiary.
- 3. Subsistence costs shall be eligible on the basis of real costs or a daily allowance. Where an organisation has its own daily rates (subsistence allowances), they shall be applied within ceilings established by the Member State in accordance with national legislation and practice. Subsistence allowances are normally understood to cover local transport (including taxis), accommodation, meals, local telephone calls and sundries.
- II.1.3. Equipment

# II.1.3.1. General rules

Costs pertaining to the acquisition of equipment (based on any of the following: rental, leasing, purchase based on the full or partial cost, or depreciation of purchased assets) are only eligible if they are essential to the implementation of the project. Equipment shall have the technical properties needed for the project and comply with applicable norms and standards.

# II.1.3.2. Renting and leasing

Expenditure in relation to renting and leasing operations is eligible for co-financing subject to the rules established in the Member State, national legislation and practice and the duration of the rental or lease for the purpose of the project.

# II.1.3.3. Purchasing

- 1. Costs pertaining to the acquisition of equipment (systems, operating equipment, means of transport, inter alia, as referred to in Article 5(1)(c) to (f) of the basic act) are eligible in accordance with national rules. Such costs are eligible for co-financing on the basis of the full or partial cost of the purchase if:
- (a) they are directly linked to the realisation of the project;
- (b) incurred in accordance with national procurement rules established in the Member State;
- (c) the equipment has the technical characteristics necessary for the project and complies with applicable norms and standards;
- (d) the equipment will continue to be used for the same objectives pursued by the project, after the day of purchase and for a minimum duration of:
  - three years or more for Information and Communication Technology (ICT) equipment,
  - five years or more for other types of equipment such as operating equipment and means of transport, except for the ones indicated below,
  - ten years for helicopters, vessels and aircrafts.
- 2. Alternatively, costs for the abovementioned equipment may be eligible on the basis of depreciation in accordance with national rules. In that case conditions in (a), (b)

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- (a) Where equipment is purchased before or during the lifetime of the project, the portion of equipment depreciation is eligible on the basis of the duration of use for the project and the rate of actual use for the project.
- (b) Equipment that was purchased before the lifetime of the project, but which is used for the purpose of the project, is eligible on the basis of depreciation. However these costs are ineligible if the equipment was originally purchased through a Community grant.
- (c) Purchase costs of equipment shall correspond to normal market costs and the value of the items concerned is written off in accordance with the tax and accounting rules applicable to the final beneficiary.
- II.1.4. *Real estate*

## II.1.4.1. General rules

In the case of either purchase of real estate, construction or renovation of real estate, or rental of real estate, it shall have the technical properties needed for the project and comply with the applicable norms and standards.

#### II.1.4.2. Purchase, construction or renovation

- 1. Where the acquisition of real estate is essential for implementation of the project and is clearly linked with its objectives, the purchase of real estate, i.e. buildings already constructed, or construction of real estate, is eligible for co-financing on the basis of the full or partial cost, or on the basis of depreciation, under the conditions set out below, without prejudice to the application of stricter national rules:
- (a) a certificate is obtained from an independent qualified valuer or duly authorised official body establishing that the price does not exceed the market value, either attesting that the real estate is in conformity with national regulations or specifying the points which are not in conformity that the final beneficiary plans to rectify as part of the project;
- (b) the real estate has not been purchased through a Community grant at any time prior to the implementation of the project;
- (c) the real estate is to be used solely for the purpose stated in the project for a period of at least 10 years after the end date of the project unless the Commission specifically authorises otherwise in the case of co-financing of the full or partial costs; in the case of co-financing on the basis of depreciation this period is reduced to 5 years;
- (d) the purchase of the real estate respects the principles of value for money and costeffectiveness and is being considered as proportionate to the aim to be achieved through the implementation of the project;
- (e) in the case of co-financing on the basis of depreciation, only the portion of the depreciation of these assets corresponding to the duration of use for the project and the rate of actual use for the project is eligible; depreciation shall be calculated according to national accounting rules.
- 2. Expenses for renovation of real estate are eligible for co-financing on the basis of the full or partial cost or on the basis of depreciation. In the case of renovation costs only conditions (c) and (e) in paragraph 1 apply.

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Rental of real estate is eligible for co-financing where there is a clear link between the rental and the objectives of the project concerned, under the conditions set out below and without prejudice to the application of stricter national rules:

- (a) the real estate has not been purchased through a Community grant;
- (b) the real estate is to be used solely for implementation of the project. If not, only the portion of the costs corresponding to the use for the project is eligible.

# II.1.5. Consumables, supplies and general services

The costs of consumables, supplies and general services are eligible provided that they are identifiable and directly necessary for the implementation of the project.

- II.1.6. *Subcontracting*
- 1. As a general rule, final beneficiaries must have the capacity to manage the projects themselves. The amount corresponding to tasks to be subcontracted under the project will have to be clearly indicated in the grant agreement.
- 2. Expenditure relating to the following subcontracts is not eligible for co-financing by the Fund:
- (a) subcontracting of tasks relating to the overall management of the project;
- (b) subcontracting that adds to the cost of the project without adding proportionate value to it;
- (c) subcontracting with intermediaries or consultants where payment is defined as a percentage of the total cost of the project, unless such payment is justified by the final beneficiary by reference to the actual value of the work or services provided.
- 3. For all subcontracts, subcontractors shall undertake to provide all audit and control bodies with all the necessary information relating to subcontracted activities.

# II.1.7. Costs deriving directly from the requirements linked to Union co-financing

Costs needed to meet the requirements linked to Union co-financing, such as publicity, transparency, evaluation of the project, external audit, bank guarantees, translation costs, etc., are eligible as direct costs.

# II.1.8. *Expert fees*

Legal consultancy fees, notarial fees and costs of technical and financial experts are eligible.

- II.2. *Indirect eligible costs*
- 1. The eligible indirect costs for the action are those costs which, with due regard for the conditions of eligibility described in point I.1.1, are not identifiable as specific costs directly linked to performance of the project.
- 2. By way of derogation from point I.1.1(e) and point I.5, the indirect costs incurred in carrying out the action may be eligible for flat rate funding fixed at not more than 2,5 % of the total eligible direct costs.
- 3. Organisations receiving an operating grant from the Union budget cannot include indirect costs in their forward budget.

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The following costs are not eligible:

- (a) VAT, except where the final beneficiary can show that he is unable to recover it;
- (b) return on capital, debt and debt service charges, debit interest, foreign exchange commissions and exchange losses, provisions for losses or potential future liabilities, interest owed, doubtful debts, fines, financial penalties, litigation costs, and excessive or reckless expenditure;
- (c) entertainment costs exclusively for project staff; reasonable hospitality costs at social events justified by the project, such as an event at the end of the project or meetings of the project steering group, are permitted;
- (d) costs declared by the final beneficiary and covered by another project or work programme receiving a Community grant;
- (e) purchase of land;
- (f) contributions in kind.

# IV. Technical assistance at the initiative of Member States

- 1. All the costs necessary for the implementation of the Fund by the responsible authority, delegated authority, audit authority, certifying authority or other bodies assisting in the tasks listed in paragraph 2 are eligible under technical assistance within the limits specified in Article 18 of the basic act.
- 2. This includes the following measures:
- (a) expenditure relating to the preparation, selection, appraisal, management and monitoring of actions;
- (b) expenditure relating to audits and on-the-spot checks of actions or projects;
- (c) expenditure relating to evaluations of actions or projects;
- (d) expenditure relating to information, dissemination and transparency in relation to actions;
- (e) expenditure on the acquisition, installation and maintenance of computerised systems for the management, monitoring and evaluation of the Funds;
- (f) expenditure on meetings of monitoring committees and sub-committees relating to the implementation of actions; this expenditure may also include the costs of experts and other participants in these committees, including third-country participants, where their presence is essential to the effective implementation of actions;
- (g) expenditure for the reinforcement of the administrative capacity for the implementation of the Fund.
- 3. Activities linked to technical assistance must be performed and the corresponding payments made after 1 January of the year referred to in the financing decision approving the annual programmes of the Member States. The eligibility period lasts until the deadline for the submission of the final report on the implementation of the annual programme.

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- 4. Slovak, Storyan, Schuster Berger, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, established in the Member State.
- 5. Member States may implement technical assistance measures for this Fund together with technical assistance measures for some or all of the four Funds. However, in that case only the portion of the costs used to implement the common measure corresponding to this Fund shall be eligible for financing under this Fund, and Member States shall ensure that:
- (a) the portion of costs for common measures is charged to the corresponding Fund in a reasonable and verifiable manner; and
- (b) there is no double financing of costs.

## V. Special Transit Scheme

In accordance with Article 40(1), the rules in the basic act and this Decision regarding the implementation of annual programmes shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the support for the implementation of the Special Transit Scheme. However, with regard to the eligibility rules contained in this Annex, the following specific rules shall apply in the case of the Special Transit Scheme:

- (a) the eligibility period for expenditure shall be in accordance with Article 40(3) of this Decision;
- (b) by virtue of Article 6(2)(c) of the basic act, staff costs of public bodies are eligible expenditure provided that they are based on real additional costs related to the implementation of the Special Transit Scheme (STS) and are allocated to the operation according to a duly justified and equitable method; the expenditure must be certified on the basis of documents which permit the identification of real costs paid by the public body concerned in relation to the STS, arising beyond its statutory responsibilities or day-to-day tasks.]

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- (2) If applicable.
- (3) To be submitted after the audit strategy, in accordance with Article 25(2).
- (4) [<sup>F2</sup>Where 'N' is the year referred to in the financing decision approving the annual programmes of the Member States.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

F2 Substituted by Commission Decision of 2 March 2011 amending Decision 2008/456/EC laying down rules for the implementation of Decision No 574/2007/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the External Borders Fund for the period 2007 to 2013 as part of the General programme 'Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows' as regards Member States' management and control systems, the rules for administrative and financial management and the eligibility of expenditure on projects co-financed by the Fund (notified under document C(2011) 1160) (Only the Bulgarian, Czech, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish and Swedish texts are authentic) (2011/148/EU).

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