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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) No 2021/697 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2021 establishing the European Defence Fund and repealing Regulation (EU) No 2018/10922, and in particular Article 24 thereof.

Whereas:

- (1) The Annex to Commission Implementing Decision C(2021) 4910 final of 30 June 2021 on the financing of the European Defence Fund established by Regulation (EU) No 2021/697 of the European Parliament and the Council and the adoption of the work programme for 2021 envisages by way of derogation that specific actions may in substantiated cases be carried out under indirect management by bodies as referred to in point (c) of Article 62 (1) of the Financial Regulation.
- (2) The Annex to Commission Implementing Decision C(2021) 4897 final of 30 June 2021 on the financing of the European Defence Fund and the adoption of the work programme for 2022 - Part I envisages by way of derogation that specific actions may in substantiated cases be carried out under indirect management by bodies as referred to in point (c) of Article 62 (1) of the Financial Regulation.
- (3) In accordance with Article 8 (2) of Regulation (EU) No 2021/697, the following criteria have been taken into account to substantiate the change of management mode for specific actions: organisational and/or overall complexity of the action as well as sensitivity of the action; experience of the entrusted entity with regard to the specific action; and better effectiveness and efficiency of implementation in indirect management.
- (4) The measures provided for in these Decisions are in accordance with the opinion of the EDF Programme Committee established by Article 34 of the Regulation 2021/697.
- (5) Commission Implementing Decision C(2021) 4910 final and Commission Implementing Decision C(2021) 4897 final should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Annex to the Commission Implementing Decision C(2021) 4910 final is amended as follows:

(1) In Chapter 3 , the second paragraph is replaced by the following:

*‘As per article 8(1) of the EDF Regulation, unless otherwise provided for in this work programme, the actions shall be implemented in direct management by the Commission.’*

(2) In Chapter 3.3.1.2 EDF-2021-SENS-R-RADAR: Advanced radar technologies, the following paragraph is added to the end:

**‘Management mode:** *Action(s) implemented in indirect management by the European Defence Agency (EDA)’*

(3) In Chapter 3.8.1.1 EDF-2021-MATCOMP-R-PHE: Materials and structures for enhanced protection in hostile environments the following paragraph is added to the end:

**‘Management mode:** *Action(s) implemented in indirect management by the European Defence Agency (EDA)’*

(4) In Chapter 3.10.1 EDF-2021-AIRDEF-D: Protection against high-velocity aerial threats the following indent is inserted after the last indent:

**‘• Management mode:** *Action(s) implemented in indirect management by the Organisation Conjointe de Coopération en Matière d’Armement / Organisation for Joint Armament Co-operation (OCCAR)’*

(5) In Chapter 3.13.2 EDF-2021-NAVAL-D: Offshore patrol vessel the following indent is inserted after the last indent:

**‘• Management mode:** *Action(s) implemented in indirect management by the Organisation Conjointe de Coopération en Matière d’Armement / Organisation for Joint Armament Co-operation (OCCAR)’*

*Article 2*

Annex to the Commission Implementing Decision C(2021) 4897 final is amended as follows:

(1) In Chapter 3, the second paragraph is replaced by the following:

*‘As per article 8(1) of the EDF Regulation, unless otherwise provided for in this work programme, the actions shall be implemented in direct management by the Commission.’*

(2) In Chapter 3.2.1 EDF-2021-AIRDEF-D: Protection against high-velocity aerial threats the following indent is inserted after the last indent:

**‘• Management mode:** *Action(s) implemented in indirect management by the Organisation Conjointe de Coopération en Matière d’Armement / Organisation for Joint Armament Co-operation (OCCAR)’*

Done at Brussels, 4.10.2022

*For the Commission*  
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*Member of the Commission*