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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

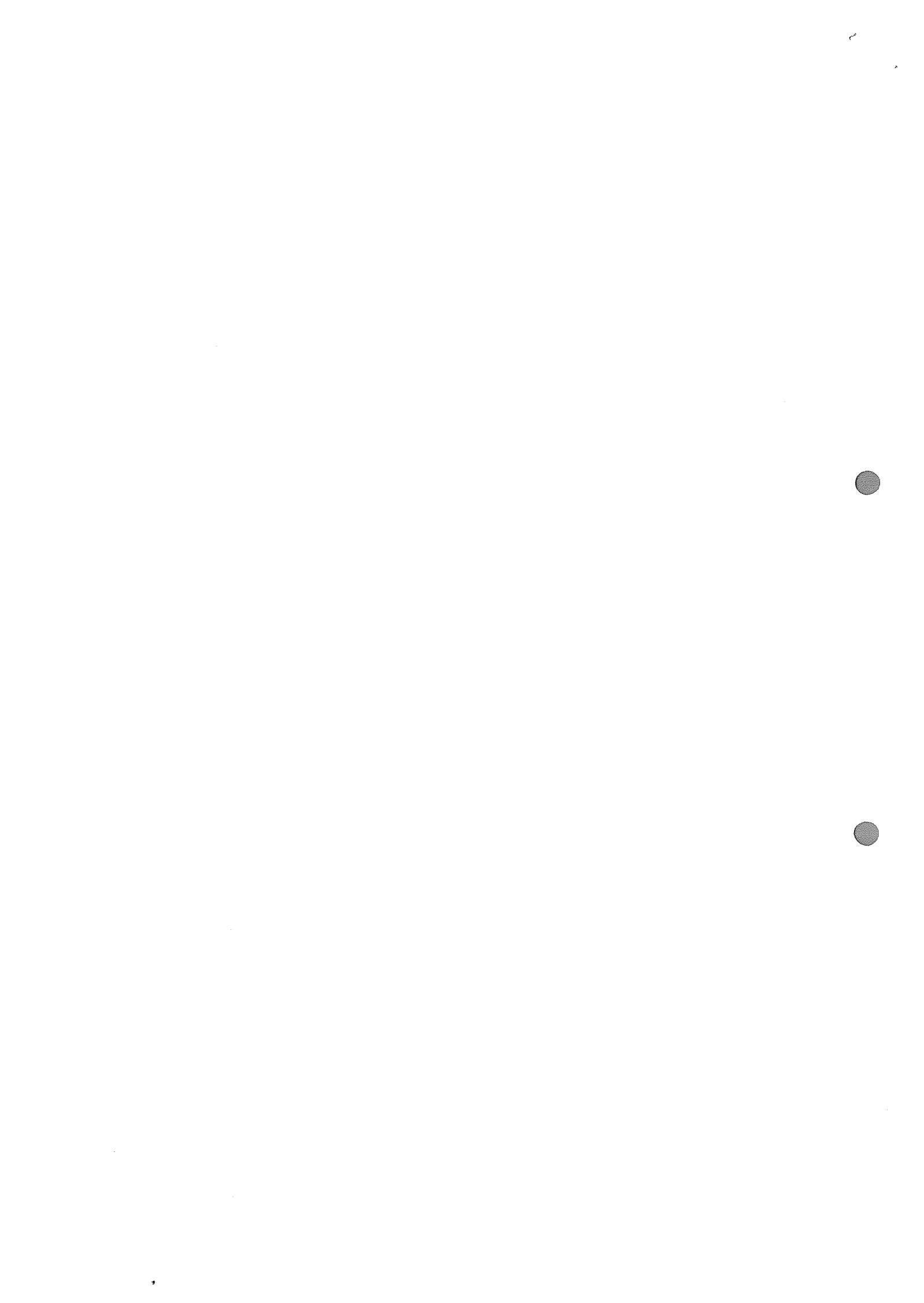
Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 389/2006 of 27 February 2006 establishing an instrument of financial support for encouraging the economic development of the Turkish Cypriot community¹, and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Following the accession of Cyprus, the application of the *acquis* is suspended pursuant to Article 1(1) of Protocol N°10 of the Act of Accession 2003 in the areas of the Republic of Cyprus in which the Government of the Republic of Cyprus does not exercise effective control (hereinafter referred to as ‘the areas’).
- (2) Pursuant to Article 3(1) of Protocol N°10, nothing in the Protocol precludes measures with a view to promoting the economic development of the areas.
- (3) Council Regulation (EC) No 389/2006 lays down the rules and conditions for the granting of assistance for encouraging the economic development of the Turkish Cypriot community.
- (4) Commission Decision C(2006)5000 of 27 October 2006 establishing a financial assistance programme to encourage the economic development of the Turkish Cypriot community – Part I, Commission Decision C(2006)6533 of 15 December 2006 establishing a financial assistance programme to encourage the economic development of the Turkish Cypriot community – Part II and Commission Decision C(2011)4443 of 27 June 2011 were adopted pursuant to the aims of Council Regulation (EC) No 389/2006.

¹ OJ L 65, 7.3.2006, p.5.



- (5) Due to the characteristics of the actions proposed, the implementation arrangements should be modified to extend execution of contracts end dates, to introduce a final date for completion/execution of the programme and to reallocate budget.
- (6) The Committee referred to in Article 3(2) of Regulation 389/2006 will be informed of this Decision.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Annex to Decision C(2006)5000 of 27 October 2006 is hereby amended as follows:

1. Section 1, Identification:

Contracting end date shall read: 31 October 2009 with the exception of contracts for audit and evaluation according to Art 166 (2) of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities.

Execution of contracts end date shall read: 30 June 2014 with the exception of contracts for audits and evaluations.

The following is added: *Final date for programme completion/execution is 30 June 2017.*

2. Section 9b), Contracting and Execution Deadline:

The first paragraph is replaced by: *All contracts, with the exception of contracts for audit and evaluation must be concluded by 31 October 2009. The execution of contracts end date is 30 June 2014, with the exception of contracts for audit and evaluation. The final date for programme completion / execution is 30 June 2017.*

3. Section 10, Monitoring and evaluation:

A new paragraph is added: *Evaluation contracts concluded by the Commission may be financed from the allocation for any project component which is to be evaluated.*

4. Section 11, Audit and Anti-fraud measures:

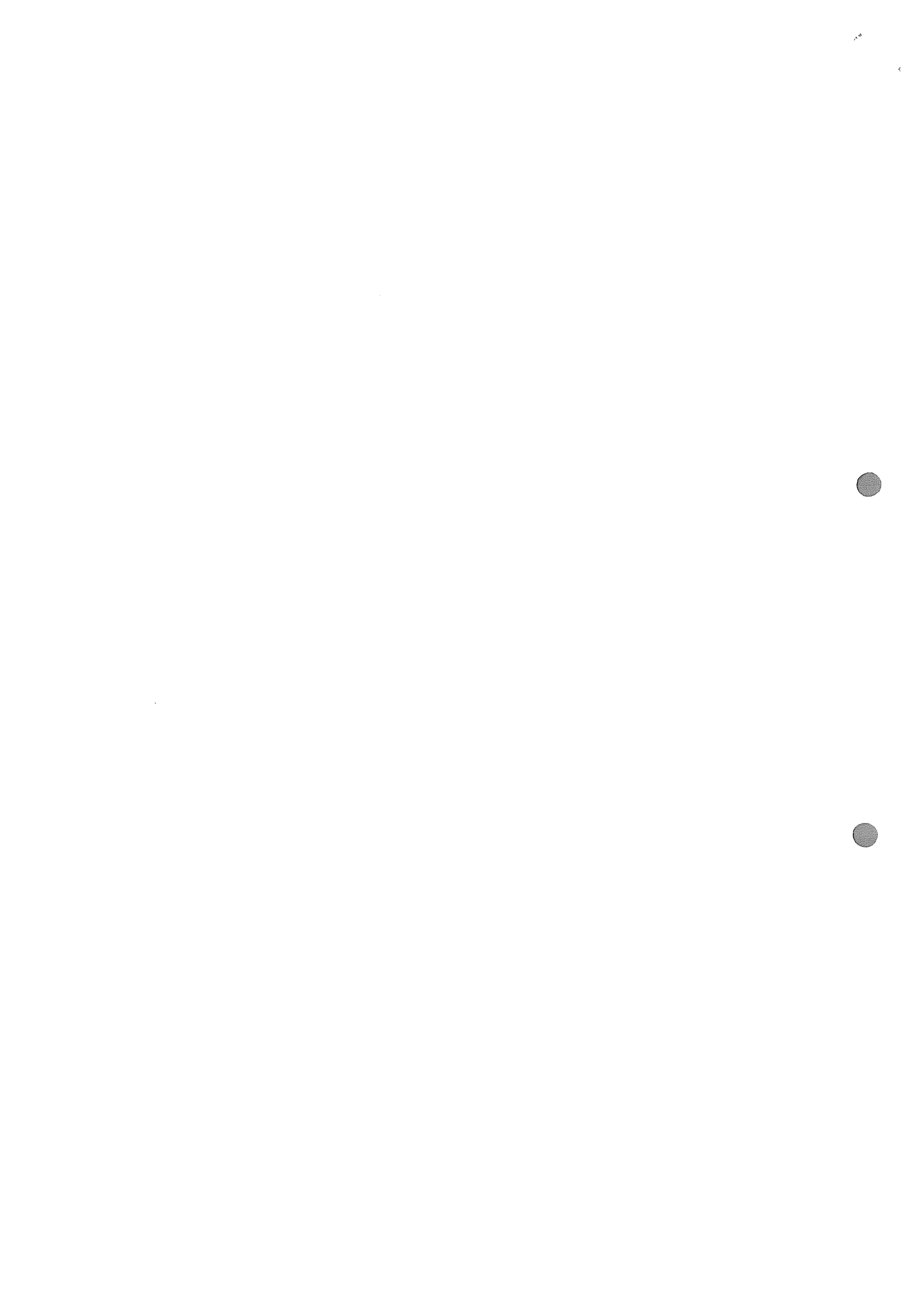
A new paragraph is added: *Audit contracts concluded by the Commission may be financed from the allocation for any project component which is to be audited.*

Article 2

The Annex to Decision C(2006)6533 of 15 December 2006 is hereby amended as follows:

1. Section 1, Identification:

Contracting end date shall read: 18 December 2009 with the exception of contracts for audit and evaluation according to Art 166 (2) of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002



of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities..

Execution of contracts end date shall read: 30 June 2014 with the exception of contracts for audits and evaluations.

The following is added: *Final date for programme completion/execution is 30 June 2017.*

2. Section 6), Objectives and Description,

Section 2006/018-488.06.01. Unallocated Technical Assistance Programme Reserve Facility shall be modified as follows:

The title of the section shall read: *Unallocated Technical Assistance Facility.*

The text of the section shall read: *An Unallocated Technical Assistance Facility would be used to undertake technical assistance activities not specifically foreseen under individual projects but which would be needed to support activities undertaken elsewhere in the programme in particular to ensure long term sustainability.*

3. Section 9b), Contracting and Execution Deadline

The first paragraph shall read: *All contracts, with the exception of contracts for audit and evaluation must be concluded by 18 December 2009. The execution of contracts end date is 30 June 2014, with the exception of contracts for audit and evaluation. The final date for programme completion / execution is 30 June 2017.*

4. Section 8, Budget table:

The budget table shall be replaced with the table below.

Objectives and projects	Costs (€ million)
Objective 1: Developing and restructuring of infrastructure	
Sub-Objective 1 – Protecting the environment	
Project 2006/018-488.01.01 – Sector programme for upgrading the quality and management of water supply and sanitation services	71 600 000
Project 2006/018-488.01.02 – Support to the Turkish Cypriot community as regards management and protection of potential Natura 2000 sites in the northern part of Cyprus	5 000 000
Sub-Objective 2 – Improving management of the energy sector	
Project 2006/018-488.01.03. Development and restructuring of the energy infrastructure – Part II	8 750 000
Sub-Objective 3 - Improving traffic safety	
Project 2006/018-488.01.04 - Traffic safety improvement programme	2 800 000
Sub-Objective 4 – Telecommunications infrastructure	
Project 2006/018-488.01.05 - Development and restructuring of telecommunications infrastructure	14 000 000
Sub-Total	102 150 000
Objective 2: Promoting social and economic development	
Project 2006/018-488.02.01 - Rural Development Sector Programme	29 700 000



Project 2006/018-488.02.02 - Upgrading of local and urban infrastructure – Part II	8 000 000
Project 2006/018-488.02.03 - Human Resources Development Sector Programme	7 800 000
Project 2006/018-488.02.04 - Micro and Small Enterprises Loan programme	9 000 000
Project 2006/018-488.02.05 - Sustainable economic development and ICT sector programme	6 200 000
Sub-total	60 700 000
Objective 3: Fostering reconciliation, confidence building measures and support to civil society	
Project 2006/018-488.03.01 - Reconciliation, confidence building measures and support to civil society	9 000 000
Project 2006/018-488.03.02 - De-mining assistance programme	6 500 000
Project 2006/018-488.03.03 - Support to the development of new trends in history teaching for reconciliation and stability in Cyprus	1 000 000
Sub-total	16 500 000
Objective 4: Bringing the Turkish Cypriot community closer to the European Union	
Project 2006/018-488.04.01 - Community scholarship programme	5 000 000
Project 2006/018-488.04.02 - Promotion of people-to-people contacts	3 000 000
Sub-total	8 000 000
Objective 5: Preparing the Turkish Cypriot community to introduce and implement the <i>acquis communautaire</i>	
Project 2006/018-488.05.01 - Technical Assistance to support legal transposition as well as implementation of the <i>acquis</i> through the TA IEX instrument – Part II (<i>Component A – Assistance through TA IEX</i>); <i>Component B – small scale equipment facility</i>)	6 500 000
Project 2006/018-488.05.02 Capacity building in the environment sector	2 460 000
Sub-total	8 960 000
Objective 6: Unallocated Technical Assistance Facility	
Project 2006/018-488.06.01 Unallocated Technical Assistance Facility	1 240 000
Sub-total	1 240 000
Total	197 550 000

5. Section 10, Monitoring and evaluation:

A new paragraph is added: *Evaluation contracts concluded by the Commission may be financed from the Objective 6: Unallocated Technical Assistance Facility or from the allocation for any project component which is to be evaluated.*

6. Section 11, Audit and Anti-fraud measures:

A new paragraph is added: *Audit contracts concluded by the Commission may be financed from Objective 6: Unallocated Technical Assistance Facility or from the allocation for any project component which is to be audited.*



Article 3

The Annex to Decision C(2011)4443 of 27 June 2011 is hereby amended as follows:

1. Section1, Identification:

The following is added: *Execution of contracts end date: six years following the date of budgetary commitment with the exception of contracts for audit and evaluation.*

Final date for programme completion/execution shall read: nine years following the date of budgetary commitment.

Done at Brussels, 3.10.2012

For the Commission
Štefan FÜLE
Member of the Commission

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For the Secretary - General

Jordi AYET PUIGARNAU
Director of the Registry

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