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ANNEX 1

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to the

Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION

on the conclusion of the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Union and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria setting out the terms and conditions for participation of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria in the Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area (PRIMA)

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The European Union (hereinafter 'the Union'), of the one part, and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria (hereinafter 'Algeria'), of the other part, (hereinafter 'the Parties')

Whereas the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, of the other part, which entered into force on 1 September 2005, provides for the scientific, technical and technological cooperation;

Whereas the Agreement between the European Union and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria on scientific and technological cooperation, which entered into force on 11 June 2013, establishes a formal framework for cooperation of the Parties in scientific and technological research;

Whereas Decision (EU) 2017/1324 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the participation of the Union in the Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area (PRIMA) jointly undertaken by several Member States regulates the terms and conditions for the participation of the EU Member States and Countries Associated to Horizon 2020 who are Participating States of the initiative, in particular their financial obligations and participation in the governing structures of the initiative;

Whereas according to the terms of Decision (EU) 2017/1324 Algeria is to become a Participating State in PRIMA subject to the conclusion of an international agreement for scientific and technological cooperation with the Union setting out the terms and conditions of Algeria's participation in PRIMA;

Whereas Algeria expressed its wish to join PRIMA as a Participating State and on an equal footing with the EU Member States and Countries Associated to Horizon 2020 participating in PRIMA;

Whereas an international agreement between the Union and Algeria is needed to regulate the rights and obligations of Algeria as PRIMA Participating State;

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Object and purpose

The purpose of this Agreement is to set out the terms and conditions for participation of

Algeria in the Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area (PRIMA).

Article 2

Terms and conditions of participation of Algeria in PRIMA

The terms and conditions for the participation of Algeria in PRIMA shall be those set out in Decision (EU) 2017/1324 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the participation of the Union in the Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area (PRIMA) jointly undertaken by several Member States. The Parties shall comply with the obligations established by that Decision and take appropriate measures, in particular by providing all necessary assistance in order to ensure the application of its Articles 10(2) and 11(3) and (4). The detailed arrangements for assistance shall be agreed between the Parties, such arrangements being essential to their cooperation under this Agreement.

Article 3

Territorial application

This Agreement shall apply, on the one hand, to the territories in which the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and the Treaty on the European Union are applied and, on the other, to the territory of Algeria.

Article 4

Signature and provisional application

This agreement shall be applied provisionally from the date of its signing.

Article 5

Entry into force and duration

- 1. This Agreement shall be approved by the Parties in accordance with their own procedures.
- 2. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which both Parties notified each other through diplomatic channels that the procedures referred to in the first paragraph have been completed.
- 3. This Agreement shall remain in force for as long as Decision (EU) 2017/1324 is in force, unless terminated by either Party in accordance with Article 6.

Article 6

Termination

1. Either Party may terminate this Agreement at any time by a written notice informing the other Party of the intent to terminate it.

The termination shall take effect six months after the date at which the written notice reaches its addressee.

- 2. Projects and activities in progress at the time of termination of this Agreement shall continue until their completion under the conditions laid down in this Agreement.
- 3. Parties shall settle by common consent any other consequences of termination.

Article 7

Dispute settlement

The dispute settlement procedure provided for in Article 100 of the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, of the other part shall apply to all disputes related to the application or interpretation of this Agreement.

This Agreement shall be drawn up in duplicate in Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish, Swedish and Arabic languages, each text being equally authentic.

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