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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 274 thereof,

Whereas,

- (1) The aim of the Galileo programme is to establish the first global satellite radio-navigation and positioning infrastructure specifically designed for civilian purposes. The aim of the EGNOS programme is to improve the quality of signals from existing global navigation satellite systems.
- (2) On 23 June 2008, the Commission adopted a provisional GNSS Work Programme on the basis of a political agreement between the three institutions on the future GNSS Regulation. Adoption of the provisional GNSS Work Programme allowed the procurement of Galileo Full Operational Capability to be launched without delay.
- (3) On 24 July 2008, the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the further implementation of the European satellite radio-navigation programmes (EGNOS and Galileo)<sup>1</sup> (hereafter referred to as the GNSS Regulation) entered into force.
- (4) The Commission, assisted by the European GNSS Committee set up under Article 19 of the GNSS Regulation, is responsible for the management of the programmes, ensuring overall control of costs and schedules.
- (5) It shall adopt measures to define a strategic framework including inter alia the main actions, the estimated budget and the related timetable, and establish a work programme, to be reviewed on an annual basis.
- (6) The annual work programme for the implementation of EGNOS and Galileo shall be adopted in accordance with the management procedure referred to in Article 4 of Council Decision 1999/468/EC.

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<sup>1</sup> Regulation (EC) No 683/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 on the further implementation of the European satellite navigation programmes (EGNOS and Galileo), OJ L 196, 24.7.2008, p. 1

- (7) This decision constitutes a financing decision within the meaning of Article 75 of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002<sup>2</sup>, Article 90 of Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002<sup>3</sup> and Article 15 of the Internal Rules<sup>4</sup>.
- (8) According to the GNSS Regulation, the amount allocated to implement the activities specified in the GNSS Regulation will be EUR 3,405 million at current prices for the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013. The annual appropriation for 2008 is EUR 890 million<sup>5</sup>.
- (9) The European Space Agency, on the basis of a delegation agreement to be concluded between it and the European Commission, will carry out tasks and implement budget relating to the implementation of the Galileo programme, in particular its deployment phase.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

The GNSS Work programme 2008 set out in Annex is hereby adopted. The total amount covered by this decision is EUR 890,000,000.<sup>6</sup>

This Decision serves as a financing decision for 2008 for the following budget lines:

06.02.10 - Galileo Programme

06.01.04.12 Galileo Programme – Administrative expenditure

Done at Brussels, 12.12.2008

*For the Commission*  
*Antonia TAJANI*  
*Member of the Commission*

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<sup>2</sup> Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities (OJ L 248, 16.09.2002 p. 1), as last amended by Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1995/2006 of 13 December 2006 (OJ L 390, 30.12.2006, p. 1), and by Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1525/2007 of 17 December 2007 (OJ L 343, 27.12.2007, p. 9)

<sup>3</sup> Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002 of 23 December 2002 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 on the Financial Regulation (OJ L 357, 31.12.2002, p.1), as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 478/2007 of 23 April 2007 (OJ L 111, 28.4.2007, p. 13)

<sup>4</sup> Internal Rules on the implementation of the general budget of the European Communities (Commission Section) for 2008 (C/2008/773), adopted on 5 March 2008.

<sup>5</sup> This amount will be increased by additional credits coming from surpluses of 20 million euros under Chapter 0602 of the budget. Such a transfer would, however, be without effect on the overall budgetary allocation foreseen by the GNSS Regulation.

<sup>6</sup> See footnote above.