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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 282 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 17 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission, in its communication on policy for the accommodation of Commission services in Brussels and Luxembourg<sup>2</sup>, expresses:
  - its support for the Belgian authorities' plans to redevelop the "Quartier européen" (point 1);
  - its desire to help improve the urban environment by fostering mixed usage (point 6.1.2);
  - its desire to design appropriate mechanisms for selling properties (point 4.2).
- (2) The selling price of the plot of land has been determined by an independent expert.
- (3) Information notice 2008/S 86-116143 was published in the Official Journal of the European Union.
- (4) The price proposed by the sole candidate (the company Return.be) is higher than the minimum price stated in the information notice,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

#### *Article 1 - Transfer and authorisation*

The Commission, on behalf of the European Community, shall transfer its rights over the plot of 198.33 square metres, recorded as number 28 in the land register, to the company Return.be.

It authorises the Director of the Office for Infrastructure and Logistics in Brussels (OIB) to perform this transfer and to take all steps necessary for that purpose.

#### *Article 2 - Price*

The price, excluding costs and duty, is set at 430 500 euros.

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<sup>1</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, 16.9.2002, p. 1).

<sup>2</sup> COM(2007) 501 of 5.9.2007.

*Article 3 - Revenue*

The net proceeds of the sale shall be entered in the general budget of the Communities as miscellaneous revenue.

Done at Brussels, 9.12.2008.

*For the Commission*  
*Siim Kallas*  
*Vice-President of the Commission*