

- (14) The action plan provided for in this Decision is in accordance with the opinion of the NDICI-Global Europe Committee established under Article 45 of Regulation (EU) 2021/947,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1
The action plan

The annual financing decision, constituting the annual action plan for the implementation of the annual action plan in favour of the Republic of Malawi for 2024, as set out in the Annexes, is adopted.

The action plan shall include the following actions:

- (a) Eastern Backbone Power Transmission, set out in Annex 1;
- (b) Malawi State and Resilience Building Programme' set out in Annex 2;
- (c) Civil Society Partnership for Jobs' set out in Annex 3.

Article 2
Union contribution

The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the action plan for 2024 is set at EUR 93 000 000⁸, and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in budget line 14.020122 of the general budget of the Union: EUR 93 000 000.

The appropriations provided for in the first paragraph may also cover interest due for late payment.

Article 3
Methods of implementation and entrusted entities or persons

The implementation of the actions carried out by way of indirect management, as set out in the Annexes, may be entrusted to the entities or persons referred to or selected in accordance with the criteria laid down in point 4.4.1 of Annex 2.

Article 4
Flexibility clause

Increases or decreases of up to EUR 10 000 000 and not exceeding 20% of the maximum Union contribution set in the first paragraph of Article 2, or cumulated changes⁹ to the allocations of specific actions not exceeding 20% of that contribution, as well as extensions of the implementation period shall not be considered substantial for the purposes of Article 110(5) of the Financial Regulation, where these changes do not significantly affect the nature and objectives of the actions.

⁸This amount must include the appropriations corresponding to assigned revenue, if they are available at the time the financing decision is adopted. This amount must also include the total amount of annual instalments (see above).

⁹ These changes can come from assigned revenue made available after the adoption of the financing decision.