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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 2 December 2021, establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans), and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF), and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD), and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1305/2013, and (EU) No 1307/2013<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 119(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) On 31 August 2022, the Commission adopted the Implementing Decision C(2022) 6019<sup>2</sup> pursuant to Article 118(4) and (6) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, approving the 2023-2027 CAP Strategic Plan of Portugal for Union support financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD).
- (2) On 20 October 2023, Portugal submitted to the Commission a first request for amendment of the 2023-2027 CAP Strategic Plan, pursuant to Article 119 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.
- (3) In accordance with Article 119(3) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, the Commission has assessed the request for amendment of the 2023-2027 CAP Strategic Plan of Portugal and made observations on 5 December 2023.
- (4) Portugal provided the Commission with all necessary additional information and submitted a revised version of the request for amendment and a revised version of the amended 2023-2027 CAP Strategic Plan on 21 December 2023.
- (5) Portugal has duly substantiated and justified the request for amendment of the 2023-2027 CAP Strategic Plan in accordance with Article 119(2) of Regulation (EU)

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 435, 6.12.2021, p. 1.

<sup>2</sup> Commission Implementing Decision of 31.8.2022 approving the 2023-2027 CAP Strategic Plan of Portugal for Union support financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund and the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development.

2021/2115 and provided all necessary information in accordance with Article 2 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/370<sup>3</sup>.

- (6) Portugal has set the date of effect for the amendments of the CAP Strategic Plan related to EAGF for the day after the date of notification to Portugal of this Commission implementing decision approving the amendment. The proposed date has been determined in accordance with Article 119(8), third subparagraph, of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.
- (7) The Commission has concluded that the proposed amendments of the CAP Strategic Plan of Portugal comply with the requirements set out in Article 119(4) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 and with Article 2 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/370.
- (8) The amendments of the CAP Strategic Plan requested by Portugal and the date of effect of the amendment related to EAGF should therefore be approved.
- (9) On 21 July 2023, Portugal notified to the Commission modifications to elements of its CAP Strategic Plan concerning rural development as provided for in Article 119(9) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115. The request for amendments to the CAP Strategic Plan of Portugal includes these modifications. Pursuant to Article 86(3) of that Regulation, expenditure that becomes eligible as a result of this notification is to be eligible as of the date of such notification.
- (10) This Decision does not cover information on the control systems and penalties set up by Portugal, and the information included in Annexes I to IV to the 2023-2027 CAP Strategic Plan of Portugal. It also does not cover State aid within the meaning of Articles 107, 108 and 109 of the Treaty falling outside the scope of Article 42 of the Treaty, which has not been approved by the Commission according to the relevant State aid procedures,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### *Article 1*

The amendments of the 2023-2027 CAP Strategic Plan submitted by Portugal on 21 December 2023 are hereby approved.

#### *Article 2*

The overview table of allocations, including the adjusted allocations, as referred to in Article 112(2) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 and set out in the CAP Strategic Plan, as amended following the approval laid down in Article 1 of this Decision, is set out in Annex I to this Decision.

The total EAFRD contribution for each EAFRD type of intervention, as amended following the approval laid down in Article 1 of this Decision, is set out in Annex II to this Decision.

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<sup>3</sup> Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/370 of 13 December 2022 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to procedures, time limits for submission by Member States of requests for amendments of CAP Strategic Plans, and further cases for which the maximum number of amendments of CAP Strategic Plans does not apply (OJ L 51, 20.2.2023, p. 25).

The financial ceilings calculated in accordance with Articles 92(2), 93(3), 95(3), 95(4), 95(5), 97(10), 97(11) and 98(2) respectively of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, as amended following the approval laid down in Article 1 of this Decision, are set out in Annex III to this Decision.

A table of the additional national financing, as referred to in Article 146 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, as amended following the approval laid down in Article 1 of this Decision, is set out in Annex IV to this Decision.

### *Article 3*

The date of effect of the amendment of the 2023-2027 CAP Strategic Plan related to EAGF proposed by Portugal for the day after the date of notification to Portugal of this Commission implementing decision approving the amendment is hereby approved.

### *Article 4*

Expenditure that becomes eligible as a result of the amendments of the 2023-2027 CAP Strategic Plan of Portugal related to EAGF shall be eligible for a contribution from the EAGF from the date of effect of the amendment referred to in Article 3.

Expenditure that becomes eligible as a result of the amendment of the 2023-2027 CAP Strategic Plan of Portugal related to EAFRD shall be eligible for a contribution from the EAFRD from 20 October 2023.

Expenditure that becomes eligible as a result of the modifications notified, pursuant to Article 119(9) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, on 21 July 2023 shall be eligible for a contribution from the EAFRD from that date.

### *Article 5*

This Decision is addressed to the Portuguese Republic.

Done at Brussels, 2.2.2024

*For the Commission*  
*Janusz WOJCIECHOWSKI*  
*Member of the Commission*

