

funds by indirect management as provided for in Article 157(3) of the Financial Regulation. To that end, and before a contribution agreement can be signed, such persons and entities are to be subject to an assessment of their systems and procedures in accordance with Article 157(4) of the Financial Regulation⁸ and, if necessary, to appropriate supervisory measures in accordance with Article 157(5) of the Financial Regulation.

- (14) The action plan provided for in this Decision is in accordance with the opinion of the 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 Jamaica for year 2024, as set out in the Annexes, is adopted.

The action plan shall include the following actions:

- (a) “Support to the Sustainable Urban Development of Kingston” set out in Annex I;
- (b) “Inclusive Safety: Supporting Jamaica’s Strategy for Citizen Security, School Safety and Gender Based Violence Reduction” set out in Annex II.

Article 2 **Union contribution**

The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the action plan for 2024 is set at EUR 16 000 000, and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in budget line 14.020141 of the general budget of the Union.

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

Article 3 **Flexibility clause**

Increases or decreases of up to EUR 10 million 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 those changes do not significantly affect the nature and objectives of the actions.

The authorising officer responsible may apply the changes referred to in the first paragraph. Those changes shall be applied in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.

⁸ Except for the cases referred to in Article 157(7) of the Financial Regulation, where the Commission may decide, not to require an ex-ante assessment.

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