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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 508/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund[(1)] and in particular Articles 18(3), 72(3), 97(2) and 107(3) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EU) 2020/560 of the European Parliament and of the Council[(2)] has amended Regulation (EU) No 508/2014 to introduce specific measures to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak in the fishery and aquaculture sector.

(2) In order to allow the implementation of Regulation (EU) 2020/560, the model for operational programmes under the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund ('the EMFF') and the structure of the compensation plans for operators in the outermost regions set out in Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 771/2014[(3)] should be adjusted, taking into consideration the requirements of the new measures.

(3) The implementation of Regulation (EU) 2020/560 also requires adjustments to the technical specifications and rules for the presentation of cumulative data on operation and information to be sent by Member States set out in Commission Implementing Regulations (EU) No 1242/2014[(4)] and (EU) No 1243/2014[(5)]. These adjustments should allow a reliable monitoring and reporting of operations related to the mitigation of the COVID-19 outbreak. Pursuant to Article 97(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) No 508/2014, the annual deadline for providing the cumulative data on operations is 31 March. This means that Member States should submit this information in the amended format as of 2021, so as to ensure consistent and harmonised reporting.

(4) Commission Implementing Regulations (EU) No 771/2014, (EU) No 1242/2014 and (EU) No 1243/2014 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(5) In order to allow for the prompt application of the measures provided for in this Regulation due to the urgency in providing the requisite support, this Regulation should enter into force on the day following that of its publication.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1027. (See end of Document for details)

(6) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee for the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Amendments to Implementing Regulation (EU) No 771/2014

Implementing Regulation (EU) No 771/2014 is amended as follows:

(1) Section 4.5 of Annex I is replaced by the text set out in Annex I to this Regulation;

(2) Section 8.2 of Annex I is replaced by the text set out in Annex I to this Regulation;

(3) Annex II is amended in accordance with Annex I to this Regulation.

Article 2

Amendments to Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1242/2014

Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1242/2014 is amended as follows:

(1) Annex I is amended in accordance with Annex II to this Regulation;

(2) in Annex V, row I.9 of table 1 is replaced by the text set out in Annex II to this Regulation.

Article 3

Amendments to Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1243/2014

Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1243/2014 is amended as follows:

(1) Annex I is amended in accordance with Annex III to this Regulation;

(2) in Annex II, row I.9 is replaced by the text set out in Annex III to this Regulation.

Article 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 July 2020.

For the Commission

The President

Ursula VON DER LEYEN

***Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1027. (See end of Document for details)*

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ANNEX I

1. Annex I to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 771/2014 is amended as follows:

(1) Section 4.5 is replaced by the following:

4.5. **Description of the method for the calculation of compensation according to relevant criteria identified for each of the activities deployed under Article 40(1), 53, 54, 55, 67 and 69(3) of Regulation (EU) No 508/2014**

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(2) Section 8.2 is replaced by the following:

8.2. **EMFF contribution and co-financing rate for the Union Priorities, Technical Assistance and other support (in euro)**

		Total support			**Main allocation (total funding minus performance reserve)**		**Performance reserve**		**Performance reserve amount as proportion of total Union support**
Union Priorities	**Measures under the Union Priority**	**(a) EMFF contribution (performance reserve included)**	**(b) National counterpart (performance reserve included)**	**EMFF co-financing rate**	**EMFF contribution**	**National counterpart**	**EMFF Performance reserve**	**National counterpart**	
		a	**b**	**c = a/(a + b) × 100**	**d = a – f**	**e = b – g**	**f**	**g = b × (f/a)**	**h = f/a × 100**
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	Article 33(1)(d) and	*<8.2 type"="Ninput"="M>*	*<8.2 type"="Ninput"="M>*	max 75 %, min 20 %			0	0	

a The national counterpart is divided pro rata between the main allocation and the performance reserve.

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	Article 44(4a)								
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	the support to monitoring, control and enforcement, enhancing institutional	<8.2 type="Input">	<8.2 type="Input">	90 %	<8.2 type="Input">		<8.2 type="Input">	<8.2 type="Input">	<8.2 type="Input">

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