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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing rules for direct payments to farmers under support schemes within the framework of the common agricultural policy and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 637/2008 and Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009[(1)], and in particular Articles 22(1), 36(4), 42(2), 47(3), 49(2), 51(4) and 53(7) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) For each Member State implementing the basic payment scheme provided for in Chapter 1 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, the annual national ceiling referred to in Article 22(1) of that Regulation for 2018 has to be set by the Commission by deducting from the annual national ceiling set out in Annex II to that Regulation the ceilings fixed in accordance with Articles 42, 47, 49, 51 and 53 of that Regulation. In accordance with Article 22(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 any increases applied by Member States pursuant to that provision are to be taken into account.

(2) For each Member State implementing the single area payment scheme provided for in Chapter 1 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, the annual national ceiling referred to in Article 36(4) of that Regulation for 2018 has to be set by the Commission by deducting from the annual national ceiling set out in Annex II to that Regulation the ceilings fixed in accordance with Articles 42, 47, 49, 51 and 53 of that Regulation. In accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 36(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, when setting the annual national ceiling for the single area payment scheme, any increases applied by Member States pursuant to that provision are to be taken into account by the Commission.

(3) For each Member State granting the redistributive payment provided for in Chapter 2 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, the annual national ceiling referred to in Article 42(2) of that Regulation for 2018 has to be set by the Commission on the basis of the percentage notified by those Member States pursuant to Article 42(1) of that Regulation.

(4) In relation to the payment for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment provided for in Chapter 3 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 in 2018, the annual national ceilings referred to in Article 47(3) of that Regulation for

2018 have to be calculated in accordance with Article 47(1) of that Regulation and amounting to 30 % of the national ceiling of the relevant Member State as set out in Annex II to that Regulation.

(5) For Member States granting the payment for areas with natural constraints provided for in Chapter 4 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, the annual national ceilings referred to in Article 49(2) of that Regulation for 2018 have to be set by the Commission on the basis of the percentage notified by the relevant Member States pursuant to Article 49(1) of that Regulation.

(6) In relation to the payment for young farmers provided for in Chapter 5 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, the annual national ceilings referred to in Article 51(4) of that Regulation for 2018 have to be set by the Commission on the basis of the percentage notified by Member States pursuant to Article 51(1) of that Regulation and have not to be higher than 2 % of the annual ceiling set out in Annex II.

(7) Where the total amount of the payment for young farmers applied for in 2018 in a Member State exceeds the ceiling set pursuant to Article 51(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 for that Member State, the difference has to be financed by the Member State in accordance with Article 51(2) of that Regulation whilst respecting the maximum amount laid down in Article 51(1) of that Regulation. For the sake of clarity, it is appropriate to set this maximum amount for each Member State.

(8) For each Member State granting voluntary coupled support provided for in Chapter 1 of Title IV of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 in 2018, the Commission has to set the annual national ceilings referred to in Article 53(7) of that Regulation for 2018 on the basis of the percentage notified by the relevant Member State pursuant to Article 54(1) of that Regulation.

(9) Concerning the year 2018, the implementation of direct support schemes provided for in Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 started on 1 January 2018. For the sake of consistency between the applicability of that Regulation for the claim year 2018 and the applicability of the corresponding budgetary ceilings, this Regulation should apply from the same date.

(10) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee for Direct Payments,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The annual national ceilings for 2018 for the basic payment scheme referred to in Article 22(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 are set out in point I of the Annex to this Regulation.

The annual national ceilings for 2018 for the single area payment scheme referred to in Article 36(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 are set out in point II of the Annex to this Regulation.

***Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/891. (See end of Document for details)*

The annual national ceilings for 2018 for the redistributive payment referred to in Article 42(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 are set out in point III of the Annex to this Regulation.

The annual national ceilings for 2018 for the payment for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment referred to in Article 47(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 are set out in point IV of the Annex to this Regulation.

The annual national ceilings for 2018 for the payment for areas with natural constraints referred to in Article 49(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 are set out in point V of the Annex to this Regulation.

The annual national ceilings for 2018 for the payment for young farmers referred to in Article 51(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 are set out in point VI of the Annex to this Regulation.

The maximum amounts for 2018 for the payment for young farmers referred to in Article 51(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 are set out in point VII of the Annex to this Regulation.

The annual national ceilings for 2018 for voluntary coupled support referred to in Article 53(7) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 are set out in point VIII of the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 January 2018.

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

Done at Brussels, 21 June 2018.

For the Commission

The President

Jean-Claude JUNCKER

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ANNEX

I. Annual national ceilings for the basic payment scheme referred to in Article 22(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013

(thousand EUR)

Calendar year	2018
Belgium	214 405
Denmark	546 808
Germany	3 005 470
Ireland	825 895
Greece	1 103 650
Spain	2 835 995
France	3 036 371
Croatia	126 001
Italy	2 217 396
Luxembourg	22 760
Malta	649
Netherlands	475 161
Austria	470 387
Portugal	273 500
Slovenia	74 288
Finland	262 554
Sweden	402 464
United Kingdom	2 102 726

II. Annual national ceilings for the single area payment scheme referred to in Article 36(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013

(thousand EUR)

Calendar year	2018
Bulgaria	379 916
Czech Republic	472 217
Estonia	87 170
Cyprus	30 340
Latvia	137 210
Lithuania	184 186

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Hungary	733 283
Poland	1 568 075
Romania	989 564
Slovakia	260 865

III. **Annual national ceilings for the redistributive payment referred to in Article 42(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013**

(thousand EUR)

Calendar year	**2018**
Belgium	46 780
Bulgaria	55 872
Germany	337 423
France	690 084
Croatia	27 939
Lithuania	71 298
Poland	293 930
Portugal	23 050
Romania	99 436
United Kingdom	64 991

IV. **Annual national ceilings for the payment for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment as referred to in Article 47(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013**

(thousand EUR)

Calendar year	**2018**
Belgium	146 689
Bulgaria	238 428
Czech Republic	258 512
Denmark	248 032
Germany	1 446 097
Estonia	40 181
Ireland	363 445
Greece	556 642
Spain	1 464 015
France	2 070 253