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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Protocol No 21, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, on the position of the United Kingdom and Ireland in respect of the area of freedom, security and justice, and in particular Article 4 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) By letter to the European Commission of 29 July 2020, Ireland notified its wish to accept and be bound by Regulation (EU) 2017/1954 of the European Parliament and of the Council[(1)].

(2) There are no specific conditions attached to the participation of Ireland in that Regulation and there is no need for transitional measures.

(3) Harmonised formats and common security standards for residence permits throughout the European Union facilitate border crossing and contribute thus to a good functioning of an area of freedom and security and justice.

(4) The participation of Ireland in Regulation (EU) 2017/1954 should therefore be confirmed.

(5) In order to allow Ireland to apply Regulation (EU) 2017/1954 as soon as possible, this Decision should enter into force on the day following that of its publication,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The participation of Ireland in Regulation (EU) 2017/1954 is confirmed.

Article 2

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

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Decision (EU) 2020/1730. (See end of Document for details)*

Done at Brussels, 18 November 2020.

For the Commission

The President

Ursula VON DER LEYEN