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Amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism

Proposal for a decision

(COM(2019)0125 – C8-0114/2019 – 2019/0070(COD))

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Amendment 6
Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision
Recital 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) The Commission adopted a proposal⁹ for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism on 23 November 2017¹⁰.

⁹ Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism on 23 November 2017 (COM(2017)772 final)

¹⁰ Decision No 1313/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 924).

Amendment

(1) ***In response to certain frequent, acute natural disasters that had hit some Member States, on 23 November 2017,*** the Commission adopted a proposal⁹ for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism on 23 November 2017¹⁰.

⁹ Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism on 23 November 2017 (COM(2017)772 final)

¹⁰ Decision No 1313/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 924)

Or. fr

Amendment 7
Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision
Recital 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1a) The growing number of natural disasters is largely attributable to climate change, and developing countries and the least developed countries are particularly vulnerable due to their lack of resilience and limited response capacities. Some Member States have limited capacities themselves, owing to such factors as

restricted financial leeway due to large-scale austerity policies, as in Greece.

Or. fr

Amendment 8
Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision
Recital 1 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1b) Despite the Member States' obligations to limit public spending, the human and material resources allocated in each Member State to the prevention and management of natural disasters must absolutely not be significantly affected by public budget restrictions. These services must, in all cases, be able to fulfil their public service and public interest mission under optimal conditions.

Or. fr

Amendment 9
Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision
Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(2) The Commission proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU seeks to enhance the collective ability to prepare and respond to disasters by bolstering the possibilities offered by the European Civil Protection Pool. This involves establishing a reserve of civil protection capacities for use in Union operations ('rescEU') and strengthening the measures applicable in

(2) The Commission proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU seeks to enhance the collective ability to prepare and respond to disasters by bolstering the possibilities offered by the European Civil Protection Pool. This involves establishing a reserve of civil protection capacities for use in Union operations ('rescEU') ***on EU territory and, under the circumstances set***

the field of prevention.

out in this Decision, outside EU territory
and strengthening the measures applicable
in the field of ***natural disaster*** prevention
and resilience.

Or. fr

Amendment 10

Beata Kempa

Proposal for a decision

Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) The Commission proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU seeks to enhance the collective ability to prepare and respond to disasters by bolstering the possibilities offered by the European Civil Protection Pool. This involves establishing a reserve of civil protection capacities for use in Union operations ('rescEU') and strengthening the measures applicable in the field of prevention.

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(2) The Commission proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 1313/2013/EU seeks to enhance the collective ability to prepare and respond ***adequately and promptly*** to disasters by bolstering the possibilities offered by the European Civil Protection Pool. This involves establishing a reserve of civil protection capacities for use in Union operations ('rescEU') and strengthening the measures applicable in the field of prevention.

Or. en

Amendment 11

Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision

Recital 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(2a) The escalation in forest fires, particularly in primary forests, poses a serious threat to biodiversity over and above the immediate consequences in terms of human lives and material damage. The Union must be in a position

to make a rapid, proportionate and effective contribution towards efforts to address these natural disasters throughout the world. However, rescEU operations outside EU territory must be restricted to cases where action is objectively justified and will provide concrete, objective and verifiable added value for the third country concerned, since they are chiefly intended for EU territory.

Or. fr

Amendment 12
Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision
Recital 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) Enhanced Union financing is necessary to be able to further develop the European Civil Protection Pool and cover additional costs stemming from adaptation grants and the operation of capacities committed to the European Civil Protection Pool.

Amendment

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Or. fr

Amendment 13
Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision
Recital 4

Text proposed by the Commission

(4) Adequate financial appropriations are required in order to establish, deploy

Amendment

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and operate rescEU capacities.

and operate rescEU capacities. *No expenditure may be incurred or deducted from rescEU appropriations for the purposes of communication on the part of the EU institutions.*

Or. fr

Amendment 14
Martin Horwood

Proposal for a decision
Recital 9 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(9 a) *In order to maximise transparency and accountability for Union citizens, including as regards measurement of progress by the European Union towards the 0,7% Official Development Aid (ODA) target , the Commission should bring forward guidance on the proportion of spending that it would recommend to be carried out through the modified Union civil protection mechanism and that should qualify as ODA. Such guidance should accurately reflect and fully comply with OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) rules on ODA, and state whether methodologies such as the International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI) standard should be used;*

Or. en

Amendment 15
Martin Horwood

Proposal for a decision
Recital 9 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(9 b) *The Union, being a member of the*

OECD DAC, should maintain its commitment to, and compliance with, OECD DAC rules on ODA, including in the relevant activities carried out through the Union civil protection mechanism;

Or. en

Amendment 16
Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision

Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 2 – point a

Decision 1313/2013/EU

Article 20 a – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The recipients of Union funding shall acknowledge the origin and ***ensure the*** visibility of the Union funding (***in particular when promoting the actions and their results***) by providing coherent, effective and proportionate targeted information ***to multiple audiences, including the media and the public. Any assistance or funding provided under this Decision shall also give appropriate visibility to the Union, including prominence to the Union emblem for those capacities referred to under Article 11, 12 and point (c) of Article 21(2).***

Amendment

1. The recipients of Union funding shall acknowledge the origin and visibility of the Union funding by providing coherent, effective and proportionate targeted information ***in cases where this is strictly necessary to fully inform the public.***

Or. fr

Amendment 17
Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision

Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 2 – point a

Decision 1313/2013/EU

Article 20 a – paragraph 2 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The Commission shall implement information and communication actions relating to this Decision, and its actions and results. Financial resources allocated to this Decision shall also contribute to the corporate communication of the political priorities of the Union, as far as they are related to the objectives referred to in Article 3(1).

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Or. fr

Amendment 18
Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision

Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 2 – point a

Decision 1313/2013/EU

Article 20 a – paragraph 2 – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

A communication strategy shall be developed by the Commission in order to make the tangible results of the actions taken under the Union Mechanism visible to citizens.

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Or. fr

Amendment 19
Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision

Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 2 – point a

Decision 1313/2013/EU

Article 20 a – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. No expenditure may be incurred for the purposes of communication on the part of the EU institutions under the rescEU mechanism or Decision No 1313/2013/EU in general.

Amendment 20
Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision
Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 2 – point a
Decision 1313/2013/EU
Article 20 a – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The Commission shall award medals in order to recognise and honour **long-standing** commitments and extraordinary contributions to Union Civil Protection.

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3. The Commission ***recognises the courage and exceptional contribution to the safety of the Member States' citizens made by civil protection staff in the EU and shall promote and publicise their commitment by all available means. In particular, the Commission*** shall award medals in order to recognise and honour commitments and extraordinary contributions to Union Civil Protection.

Amendment 21
Dominique Bilde

Proposal for a decision
Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 3 – point b
Decision 1313/2013/EU
Article 30 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The delegation of power referred to in Article 21(3) may be revoked at any time by the European Parliament or by the Council. A decision to revoke shall put an end to the delegation of the power specified in that decision. It shall take effect the day following the publication of the Decision in the Official Journal of the European Union or at a later date specified therein. It shall not affect the validity of

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4. The delegation of power referred to in Article 21(3) ***shall be for a fixed period and, what is more,*** may be revoked at any time by the European Parliament or by the Council. A decision to revoke shall put an end to the delegation of the power specified in that decision. It shall take effect the day following the publication of the decision in the Official Journal of the European Union or at a later date specified

any delegated acts already in force.

therein. It shall not affect the validity of
any delegated acts already in force.

Or. fr