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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION.

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

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 300/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2008 on common rules in the field of civil aviation security and repealing Regulation (EC) No 2320/2002¹, and in particular Article 4(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Experience gained with Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1998² has shown the need for some amendments to the implementing measures of certain common basic standards on aviation security.
- (2) Attachments 3-B, 4-B, and 5-A to the Annex to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1998 list the third countries recognised as applying security standards equivalent to the common basic standards on aviation security.
- (3) The Commission has received information from the Kingdom of Denmark that the airport of Kangerlussuaq situated in Greenland is no longer applying the common basic standards of Regulation (EC) No 300/2008. Furthermore, following the withdrawal from the Union by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the airports of Guernsey, Isle of Man and Jersey have no longer relevance for the Union one stop security regime. Finally, the airport of Ben Gurion, Tel Aviv, situated in the State of Israel, does no longer meet the criteria set out in Part E of the Annex to Commission Regulation (EC) No 272/2009³, with regard to aircraft security and screening of passengers and cabin baggage.
- (4) It is therefore necessary to remove the airports of Kangerlussuaq, Guernsey, Isle of Man and Jersey from the lists in Attachments 3-B, 4-B, 5-A to the Annex to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1998 and the airport of Ben Gurion, Tel Aviv from the lists in Attachments 3-B and 4-B to the Annex to that Implementing Regulation.
- (5) Furthermore, the evolution of the threat and risk picture in civil aviation security requires the urgent strengthening of the detailed measures for the implementation of

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OJ L 97, 9.4.2008, p. 72, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2008/300/oj.

² Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1998 of 5 November 2015 laying down detailed measures for the implementation of the common basic standards on aviation security (OJ L 299, 14.11.2015, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2015/1998/oj).

Commission Regulation (EC) No 272/2009 of 2 April 2009 supplementing the common basic standards on civil aviation security laid down in the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 300/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 91, 3.4.2009, p. 7, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2009/272/oj).

- the common basic standards in the area of air cargo and mail security, so as to enhance resilience and ensure adequate mitigation of new threats.
- (6) Certain detailed aviation security measures in the areas of training, certification and recertification of security personnel as well as on routine testing of security equipment should be clarified, harmonised or simplified in order to improve legal clarity, standardise the common interpretation of the relevant provisions and further ensure the best implementation of the common basic standards on aviation security.
- (7) As some of the measures in the area of certification and recertification of security personnel may require certain minor modifications to the national framework by Member States, their application should be postponed by at least 6 months from the adoption of this Regulation.
- (8) In order to ensure the most expedite implementation of the detailed measures in the area of air cargo and mail security, this Regulation should enter into force the day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.
- (9) Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1998 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (10) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee established by Article 19(1) of Regulation (EC) No 300/2008,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Annex to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1998 is amended in accordance with the text in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*. However, points 8, 10 and 11 of the Annex to this Regulation shall apply from 1 January 2026.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States. Done at Brussels,

For the Commission The President Ursula VON DER LEYEN