

EUROPEAN COMMISSION DIRECTORATE-GENERAL MIGRATION AND HOME AFFAIRS Directorate E: HOME Affairs Fund E.3 – North, West and Central Europe (II)

Brussels,

Mr Tarmo Miilits Secretary General at Estonian Ministry of the Interior Pikk 61 15065 Tallinn info@siseministeerium.ee

Subject: Acceptance of revised National Programme – AMIF ESTONIA

Dear Mr Miilits,

With the adoption on 6 April 2022 of Regulation 2022/585¹, enhancing flexibility and access to unspent amounts remaining under the Home Affairs Funds for the 2014-2020 programming period, the war in Ukraine is deemed to constitute a 'new or unforeseen circumstance' justifying that Member States re-examine and operationally re-direct ongoing programmes to address their new migration, security and border management needs. The Note² of 19 April 2022, sent to the AMIF-ISF Committee, explains the procedures for communicating to the Commission the above-mentioned revisions, in accordance with Article 14(9) of the Horizontal Regulation.

Based on the above, the Commission received on 9 August 2022 (Ares(2022)5651488)) a revised national programme of Estonia under the AMIF.

Following examination, the Commission services consider that the updated National Programme meets the objectives of Regulation 2022/585 so the Member State may proceed with the suggested operational redirection of the available funding.

The responsible desk officer, Stephanie Hardy, remains at your disposal for any clarifications you may require.

Yours sincerely,

[*e-signed*] Doede ACKERS Head of Unit

² AMIF-ISF/2022/02 - Ref. Ares(2022)3072154 - 19/04/2022

¹ Regulation (EU) 2022/585 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 April 2022 amending Regulations (EU) No 514/2014 laying down general provisions on the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and on the instrument for financial support for police cooperation, preventing and combating crime, and crisis management, (EU) No 516/2014 establishing the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and (EU) 2021/1147 establishing the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund