COMMISSION DECISION

of 17 June 2011

amending the Commission Decision of 16 December 2008 on the Early Warning System for the use of authorising officers of the Commission and the executive agencies

(2011/C 180/06)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities [1],

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 215/2008 of 18 February 2008 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the 10th European Development Fund [2],

Whereas:

(1) The definition of authorising officer by delegation responsible for decision-making in Article 2 of the Commission Decision of 16 December 2008 on the Early Warning System ('EWS') for the use of authorising officers of the Commission and the executive agencies includes authorising officers by subdelegation within the meaning of Article 59 of the Financial Regulation exercising the function of director.

(2) Since the heads of Union delegations may act as authorising officers by subdelegation for the implementation of appropriations from the Commission Section entrusted to them by subdelegation, they must be included in the definition of authorising officer by delegation responsible for decision-making in the EWS as Commission authorising officers by subdelegation,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Commission Decision of 16 December 2008 on the Early Warning System for the use of authorising officers of the Commission and the executive agencies is amended as follows:

The second indent of Article 2 is replaced by the following:

'— "AOD responsible" means authorising officer by delegation of the Commission within the meaning of Article 59 of the Financial Regulation responsible in accordance with the internal rules for the implementation of the general budget of the European Communities (hereinafter "the budget"), including directors of executive agencies, authorising officers by subdelegation within the meaning of Article 59 of the Financial Regulation exercising the function of director, and the heads of Union Delegations acting as Commission authorising officers by subdelegation in accordance with Article 59(2) of the Financial Regulation.'

Article 2

This Decision shall apply from the time of its adoption.

Article 3

This Decision shall be published for information purposes in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall be annexed to the Internal Rules for the implementation of the general budget of the European Communities.

Done at Brussels, 17 June 2011.

For the Commission
The President
José Manuel BARROSO

[1] OJ L 248, 16.9.2002, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 78, 19.3.2008, p. 1.