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COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2026/2563

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amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1127 as regards the list of neighbouring container transhipment ports

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2023/1805 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 September 2023 on the use of renewable and low-carbon fuels in maritime transport, and amending Directive 2009/16/EC ([1]), and in particular Article 2(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) To reduce the risk of evasive port calls by containerships to ports outside the Union and the relocation of transhipment activities, the definition of 'port of call' in Regulation (EU) 2023/1805 excludes stops at neighbouring container transhipment ports which satisfy the conditions laid down in Article 2(2) of that Regulation. These ports are to be identified in the implementing act adopted in accordance with that Article, which is to be updated every two years.

(2) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1127 ([2]) established that those conditions were met by the ports of East Port Said in Egypt and Tanger Med in Morocco.

(3) The port of Abu Qir in Egypt is located less than 300 nautical miles from a port under the jurisdiction of a Member State. During the most recent twelve-month period for which relevant data are available, the share of container transhipment at that port exceeded 65 % of its total container throughput.

(4) The port of Damietta in Egypt is located less than 300 nautical miles from a port under the jurisdiction of a Member State. During the most recent twelve-month period for which relevant data are available, the share of container transhipment at that port exceeded 65 % of its total container throughput.

(5) Egypt does not apply measures equivalent to Regulation (EU) 2023/1805 in respect of these two ports. The conditions set out in Article 2(2) of Regulation (EU) 2023/1805 are therefore fulfilled and the ports of Abu Qir and Damietta should be listed as neighbouring container transhipment ports.

(6) Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1127 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(7) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee on Safe Seas and the Prevention of Pollution from Ships,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Annex to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1127 is replaced by the text in the Annex to this Regulation.

([1]) OJ L 234, 22.9.2023, p. 48, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/1805/oj.

([2]) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1127 of 6 June 2025 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) 2023/1805 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards of identifying neighbouring container transhipment ports (OJ L, 2025/1127, 10.6.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2025/1127/oj).

Article 2

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

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 19 November 2026.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX

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Neighbouring container transhipment ports referred to in Article 2(2) of Regulation (EU) 2023/1805

No	Name of the port	Country
1.	ABU QIR	EGYPT
2.	DAMIETTA	EGYPT
3.	EAST PORT SAID	EGYPT
4.	TANGER MED	MOROCCO'