



Supporting Document
Decision amending Humanitarian Aid Decision C(2015)8423
ECHO/-CR/EDF/2015/01000

Title: Commission Decision amending Commission Decision C(2015) 8423 of 1 December 2015 on financing humanitarian actions in the Caribbean from the 11th European Development Fund (EDF)

Location of Action: Caribbean

Amount of Decision: EUR 12 000 000

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1. Explanatory memorandum

Rationale for the amendment

The Commission Decision C(2015) 8423 adopted on 1 December 2015 and modified on 19 May 2016, provides for the funding of humanitarian actions in the Caribbean for drought response from the 11th European Development Fund (EDF) for a total amount of EUR 12 000 000, mainly involving Haiti and the Dominican Republic establishing a period of implementation of each action financed under this Decision of up to 18 months starting on the date specified in each signed agreement.

Considering that Hurricane Matthew made a landfall over the South Department of Haiti on 4 October 2016, as a category 4 Hurricane, causing widespread flooding and landslides, damage to housing and infrastructure, at least 546 deaths, with at least 2.1 million people affected and 1.4 million people in need of assistance according to data on 20 October 2016, adaptations of ongoing projects related to this decision, mainly in Haiti but also in Dominican Republic, need to be considered to ensure good programming.

It is therefore appropriate to take this variable into account in the objective of the decision, in order to guarantee that the actions implemented under the decision reach the desired impact.

2. Proposed Amendment

Based on the above, the humanitarian aid actions shall be implemented in order to mitigate the impact of El Niño and other weather related events on populations by ensuring coordinated and effective assistance through multi-sectoral support for those most impacted in the Caribbean region in order to cover their basic needs and strengthen resilience.