

## COMMISSION DECISION

of 26 March 2007

**amending Decision 2006/769/EC drawing up the list of regions and areas eligible for funding from the European Regional Development Fund under the cross-border and transnational strands of the European territorial cooperation objective for the period 2007 to 2013 as concerns Bulgaria and Romania**

*(notified under document number C(2007) 1284)**(2007/190/EC)*

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Decision 2006/769/EC is amended as follows:

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 of 11 July 2006 laying down general provisions for the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 7 thereof,

1. Annex I is amended as follows:

- (a) the following entries are inserted after the entry 'BE353 Arr. Philippeville':

BG311 Vidin  
BG312 Montana  
BG313 Vratsa  
BG314 Pleven  
BG321 Veliko Tarnovo  
BG323 Ruse  
BG325 Silistra  
BG332 Dobrich  
BG413 Blagoevgrad  
BG422 Haskovo  
BG424 Smolyan  
BG425 Kardzhali;

Whereas:

- (b) the following entries are inserted after the entry 'PT184 Baixo Alentejo':

RO111 Bihor  
RO115 Satu Mare  
RO223 Constanța  
RO312 Călărași  
RO314 Giurgiu  
RO317 Teleorman  
RO411 Dolj  
RO413 Mehedinți  
RO414 Olt  
RO421 Arad  
RO424 Timiș.

- (1) By Commission Decision 2006/769/EC <sup>(2)</sup> a list of regions and areas eligible for funding from the European Regional Development Fund under the cross-border and transnational strands of the European territorial cooperation objective for the period 2007 to 2013 was established.

- (2) Following the accession of Bulgaria and Romania, regions and areas from those Member States should be added to the list of regions and areas eligible for funding from the European Regional Development Fund under the cross-border and transnational strands of the European territorial cooperation objective.

- (3) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Coordination Committee of the Funds.

- (4) Decision 2006/769/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.

- (5) For reasons of clarity and legal certainty, this Decision should apply from the date of accession of Bulgaria and Romania,

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 210, 31.7.2006, p. 25. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1989/2006 (OJ L 411, 30.12.2006, p. 6).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 312, 11.11.2006, p. 47.

2. In Annex II, the list of areas under the heading 'SOUTH EAST EUROPE' is amended as follows:

- (a) the following entries are inserted before the entry 'GR11 Anatoliki Makedonia, Thraki':

'BG31 Severozapaden  
BG32 Severen tsentralen  
BG33 Severoiztochen  
BG34 Yugoiztochen  
BG41 Yugozapaden  
BG42 Yuzhen tsentralen';

RO32 Bucureşti-Ilfov  
RO41 Sud-Vest Oltenia  
RO42 Vest'.

*Article 2*

This Decision shall apply from the 1 January 2007.

*Article 3*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

- (b) the following entries are inserted after the entry 'AT34 Vorarlberg':

'RO11 Nord-Vest  
RO12 Centru  
RO21 Nord-Est  
RO22 Sud-Est  
RO31 Sud-Muntenia

Done at Brussels, 26 March 2007.

*For the Commission*

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