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STCU- Science & Technology Center in Ukraine To the attention of Mr Curtis Bjelajac, Executive Director 7a Metalistiv, Kyiv, Ukraine 03057

Subject: Pillar Assessment results

Dear Mr Bjelajac,

Thank you for the submission of the Pillar assessment final reports dated 18 September 2015.

The objective of this assessment was to provide reasonable assurance to the European Commission (EC) as to whether the Science and Technology Center in Ukraine fulfils the requirements set out in points (a) to (d) of the first subparagraph of Article 60.2 of the Financial Regulation applicable to the General Budget of the European Commission and Article 29.1 of the Financial Regulation applicable to the European Development Fund with regards to the following pillars: 1) Internal Control System, 2) Accounting System, 3) Independent External Audit, 4) Grants, 5) Procurement.

The results were positive for all pillars that were assessed. Based on these results, the Commission can now entrust budget implementation tasks to the Science and Technology Center in Ukraine under Indirect Management only for those five pillars.

We would be grateful if you could, please inform us as soon as possible of any relevant substantial changes to your systems, rules and procedures for the various pillars concerned. For this purpose you may contact Mr Daniele D'Amico, Head of Unit B6 "Finance, Contracts, Audit", at the following e-mail address: Daniele.D'Amico@ec.europa.eu.

Yours Sincerely,

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