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II

(Non-legislative acts)

REGULATIONS

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 145/2010

of 22 February 2010

establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 of 22 October 2007 establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Single CMO Regulation) ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1580/2007 of 21 December 2007 laying down implementing rules for Council Regulations (EC) No 2200/96, (EC) No 2201/96 and (EC) No 1182/2007 in the fruit and vegetable sector ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 138(1) thereof,

Whereas:

Regulation (EC) No 1580/2007 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations, the criteria whereby the Commission fixes the standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in Annex XV, Part A thereto,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The standard import values referred to in Article 138 of Regulation (EC) No 1580/2007 are fixed in the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 23 February 2010.

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

Done at Brussels, 22 February 2010.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,*

Jean-Luc DEMARTY
*Director-General for Agriculture and
Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 299, 16.11.2007, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 350, 31.12.2007, p. 1.

ANNEX

Standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

(EUR/100 kg)

CN code	Third country code ⁽¹⁾	Standard import value
0702 00 00	IL	176,4
	JO	92,1
	MA	84,4
	TN	124,0
	TR	107,5
	ZZ	116,9
0707 00 05	EG	233,5
	JO	152,5
	TR	133,0
	ZZ	173,0
0709 90 70	IL	265,5
	MA	133,0
	TR	133,9
	ZZ	177,5
0709 90 80	EG	69,8
	ZZ	69,8
0805 10 20	EG	48,6
	IL	54,3
	MA	52,4
	TN	49,4
	TR	56,1
	ZZ	52,2
0805 20 10	EG	65,1
	IL	149,6
	MA	89,9
	TR	87,0
	ZZ	97,9
0805 20 30, 0805 20 50, 0805 20 70, 0805 20 90	CN	56,6
	EG	69,6
	IL	93,1
	MA	90,5
	PE	62,6
	PK	48,8
	TR	66,8
	ZZ	69,7
0805 50 10	EG	71,8
	IL	76,3
	MA	68,8
	TR	68,4
	ZZ	71,3
0808 10 80	CA	77,1
	CL	59,9
	CN	67,7
	MK	24,7
	US	129,3
	ZZ	71,7
0808 20 50	AR	101,2
	CL	75,8
	CN	64,1
	US	127,6
	ZA	90,7
	ZZ	91,9

⁽¹⁾ Nomenclature of countries laid down by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1833/2006 (OJ L 354, 14.12.2006, p. 19). Code 'ZZ' stands for 'of other origin'.

DECISIONS

COUNCIL DECISION 2010/105/CFSP

of 22 February 2010

extending restrictive measures against the leadership of the Transnistrian region of the Republic of Moldova

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 29 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) On 25 February 2008, the Council adopted Common Position 2008/160/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against the leadership of the Transnistrian region of the Republic of Moldova ⁽¹⁾. Those restrictive measures were renewed by Common Position 2009/139/CFSP ⁽²⁾ until 27 February 2010.
- (2) On the basis of a re-examination of Common Position 2008/160/CFSP, the restrictive measures should be extended for a further period of 12 months.
- (3) In order to encourage progress in reaching a political settlement to the Transnistrian conflict, addressing the remaining problems of the Latin-script schools and restoring free movement of persons, the restrictive measures should be suspended until 30 September 2010. At the end of that period, the Council will review the restrictive measures in the light of developments, notably in the areas mentioned above. The Council may decide to reapply or lift travel restrictions at any time.
- (4) However, there are no longer grounds, as referred to in Article 1(1)(i) and (ii) of Common Position 2008/160/CFSP, for keeping certain persons on the lists set out in Annexes I and II to that Common Position. Those lists should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. The restrictive measures provided for in Common Position 2008/160/CFSP are hereby extended until 27 February 2011.
2. The restrictive measures provided for in Common Position 2008/160/CFSP are hereby suspended until 30 September 2010.
3. The Council shall review the suspension of the restrictive measures and the lists set out in Annexes I and II to Common Position 2008/160/CFSP before 30 September 2010.

Article 2

1. The persons mentioned in Annex I to this Decision shall be removed from the list set out in Annex I to Common Position 2008/160/CFSP.
2. The person mentioned in Annex II to this Decision shall be removed from the list set out in Annex II to Common Position 2008/160/CFSP.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Article 4

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

Done at Brussels, 22 February 2010.

For the Council
The President
C. ASHTON

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 51, 26.2.2008, p. 23.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 46, 17.2.2009, p. 76.

*ANNEX I***List of persons referred to in Article 1(1)(i)**

4. MARAKUTSA, Grigory Stepanovich,
 10. ZAKHAROV, Viktor Pavlovich,
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*ANNEX II***List of persons referred to in Article 1(1)(ii)**

1. URSKAYA, Galina Vasilyevna.
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COUNCIL DECISION 2010/106/CFSP**of 22 February 2010****extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for the crisis in Georgia**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Article 2

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Articles 28, 31(2) and 33 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 25 September 2008, the Council adopted Joint Action 2008/760/CFSP ⁽¹⁾ appointing Mr Pierre MOREL European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for the crisis in Georgia until 28 February 2009.
- (2) On 16 February 2009, the Council adopted Joint Action 2009/131/CFSP ⁽²⁾ extending the mandate of the EUSR until 31 August 2009. This Joint Action was amended by Joint Action 2009/571/CFSP ⁽³⁾ extending the EUSR's mandate until 28 February 2010.
- (3) The mandate of the EUSR should be extended until 31 August 2010. However, the mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (HR) following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.
- (4) The EUSR will implement his mandate in the context of a situation which may deteriorate and could harm the objectives of the Common Foreign and Security Policy set out in Article 21 of the Treaty,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1***European Union Special Representative**

The mandate of Mr Pierre MOREL as the European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for the crisis in Georgia is hereby extended until 31 August 2010. The mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the HR following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 259, 27.9.2008, p. 16.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 46, 17.2.2009, p. 47.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 197, 29.7.2009, p. 109.

Objectives

The mandate of the EUSR for the crisis in Georgia shall be based on the objectives established by the conclusions of the extraordinary European Council meeting in Brussels on 1 September 2008 and the Council conclusions of 15 September 2008 on Georgia.

The EUSR shall enhance the effectiveness and visibility of the European Union (EU) in helping to resolve the conflict in Georgia.

*Article 3***Mandate**

In order to achieve the policy objectives, the mandate of the EUSR shall be to:

- (a) firstly, help prepare for the international talks to be held under point 6 of the settlement plan of 12 August 2008, which are in particular to cover:

- arrangements for security and stability in the region,
- the issue of refugees and displaced persons, on the basis of internationally recognised principles,
- any other subject, by mutual agreement between the parties;

secondly, help establish the Union's position and represent it, at his level, in those talks;

- (b) facilitate the implementation of the agreement concluded on 8 September 2008 in Moscow and Tbilisi, as well as the agreement of 12 August 2008 in close coordination with the United Nations and the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE);

in the framework of the activities mentioned above, to contribute to the implementation of the Union's human rights policy and of its approach in this field, in particular with regard to children and women.

*Article 4***Implementation of the mandate**

1. The EUSR shall be responsible for the implementation of the mandate acting under the authority of the HR.
2. The Political and Security Committee (PSC) shall maintain a privileged link with the EUSR and shall be the EUSR's primary point of contact with the Council. The PSC shall provide the EUSR with strategic guidance and political direction within the framework of the mandate, without prejudice to the powers of the HR.

*Article 5***Financing**

1. The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to the mandate of the EUSR in the period from 1 March 2010 to 31 August 2010 shall be EUR 502 000.
2. The expenditure financed by the amount stipulated in paragraph 1 shall be eligible as from 1 March 2010. The expenditure shall be managed in accordance with the procedures and rules applicable to the general budget of the Union.
3. The management of the expenditure shall be subject to a contract between the EUSR and the Commission. The EUSR shall be accountable to the Commission for all expenditure.

*Article 6***Constitution and composition of the team**

1. Within the limits of his mandate and the corresponding financial means made available, the EUSR shall be responsible for constituting his team. The team shall include the expertise on specific policy issues as required by the mandate. The EUSR shall keep the Council and the Commission promptly informed of the composition of his team.
2. Member States and Union institutions may propose the secondment of staff to work with the EUSR. The salary of personnel who are seconded by a Member State or Union institution to the EUSR shall be covered by the EU Member State or institution concerned, respectively. Experts seconded by Member States to the General Secretariat of the Council may also be posted to the EUSR. International contracted staff shall have the nationality of a Member State.
3. All seconded personnel shall remain under the administrative authority of the sending Member State or Union institution and shall carry out their duties and act in the interest of the mandate of the EUSR.

*Article 7***Privileges and immunities of the EUSR and his staff**

The privileges, immunities and further guarantees necessary for the completion and smooth functioning of the mission of the EUSR and the members of his staff shall be agreed with the host party/parties as appropriate. Member States and the Commission shall grant all necessary support to such effect.

*Article 8***Security of EU classified information**

The EUSR and the members of his team shall respect the security principles and minimum standards established by Council Decision 2001/264/EC of 19 March 2001 adopting the Council's security regulations⁽¹⁾, in particular when managing EU classified information.

*Article 9***Access to information and logistical support**

1. Member States, the Commission and the General Secretariat of the Council shall ensure that the EUSR is given access to any relevant information.
2. The Union delegation and/or Member States, as appropriate, shall provide logistical support in the region.

*Article 10***Security**

The EUSR shall, in accordance with the Union's policy on the security of personnel deployed outside the Union in an operational capacity under Title V of the Treaty, take all reasonably practicable measures, in conformity with his mandate and on the basis of the security situation in his geographical area of responsibility, for the security of all personnel under his direct authority, notably by:

- (a) establishing a mission-specific security plan based on guidance from the General Secretariat of the Council, providing for mission-specific physical, organisational and procedural security measures, governing the management of the secure movement of personnel to, and within, the mission area, and the management of security incidents, and providing for a contingency plan and a mission evacuation plan;
- (b) ensuring that all personnel deployed outside the Union are covered by high risk insurance as required by the conditions in the mission area;
- (c) ensuring that all members of his team to be deployed outside the Union, including locally contracted personnel, have received appropriate security training before or upon arriving in the mission area, based on the risk ratings assigned to the mission area by the General Secretariat of the Council;
- (d) ensuring that all agreed recommendations made following regular security assessments are implemented and providing the HR, the Council and the Commission with written reports on their implementation and on other security issues within the framework of the mid-term and mandate implementation reports.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 101, 11.4.2001, p. 1.

*Article 11***Reporting**

The EUSR shall regularly provide the HR and the PSC with oral and written reports. The EUSR shall also report as necessary to Council working parties. Regular written reports shall be circulated through the COREU network. Upon recommendation of the HR or the PSC, the EUSR may provide the Foreign Affairs Council with reports.

*Article 12***Coordination**

1. The EUSR shall promote overall Union political coordination. He shall help ensure that all Union instruments are engaged coherently to attain the Union's policy objectives. The activities of the EUSR shall be coordinated with those of the Presidency and the Commission, as well as those of other EUSRs active in the region, and in particular of the EUSR for the South Caucasus while respecting the specific objectives of the latter's mandate. The EUSR shall provide regular briefings to Member States missions and the Union's delegations.

2. In the field, close liaison shall be maintained with the Head of the Union delegation and Member States' Heads of Mission. They shall make best efforts to assist the EUSR in the implementation of his mandate. The EUSR shall also liaise with other international and regional actors in the field.

*Article 13***Review**

The implementation of this Decision and its consistency with other contributions from the Union to the region shall be kept under regular review. The EUSR shall present the HR, the Council and the Commission with a mandate implementation report at the end of the mandate.

*Article 14***Entry into force**

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

It shall apply from 1 March 2010.

*Article 15***Publication**

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

Done at Brussels, 22 February 2010.

For the Council

The President

C. ASHTON

COUNCIL DECISION 2010/107/CFSP**of 22 February 2010****extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for the Middle East peace process**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

*Article 2***Policy objectives**

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union and, in particular, Articles 28, 31(2) and 33 thereof,

1. The mandate of the EUSR shall be based on the policy objectives of the European Union (EU) regarding the Middle East peace process.

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

2. These objectives include:

Whereas:

(1) On 21 July 2003, the Council adopted Joint Action 2003/537/CFSP ⁽¹⁾ appointing Mr Marc OTTE European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for the Middle East peace process.

(a) a two-State solution with Israel and a democratic, viable, peaceful and sovereign Palestinian State living side by side within secure and recognised borders enjoying normal relations with their neighbours in accordance with United Nations (UN) Security Council Resolutions 242 (1967), 338 (1973), 1397 (2002) and 1402 (2002) and the principles of the Madrid conference;

(2) On 16 February 2009, the Council adopted Joint Action 2009/136/CFSP ⁽²⁾ amending and extending the mandate of the EUSR until 28 February 2010.

(b) solution in the Israeli-Syrian and Israeli-Lebanese tracks;

(3) The mandate of the EUSR should be extended until 31 August 2010. However, the mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (HR) following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.

(c) a fair solution to the complex issue of Jerusalem and a just, viable and agreed solution to the problem of Palestinian refugees;

(4) The EUSR will implement his mandate in the context of a situation which may deteriorate and could harm the Common Foreign and Security Policy objectives set out in Article 21 of the Treaty,

(d) following-up of the Annapolis process towards a final status agreement and the creation of a Palestinian state including strengthening the role of the Quartet as guardian of the roadmap, particularly in view of monitoring the implementation of obligations both parties have under the roadmap and in line with all international efforts to bring about a comprehensive Arab-Israeli peace;

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

(e) the establishment of sustainable and effective policing arrangements under Palestinian ownership in accordance with best international standards, in cooperation with the Union's institution building programmes as well as other international efforts in the wider context of Security Sector, including Criminal Justice Reform;

*Article 1***European Union Special Representative**

The mandate of Mr Marc OTTE as the European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for the Middle East peace process is hereby extended until 31 August 2010. The mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the HR following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.

(f) reopening of the Gaza crossing points including the Rafah crossing, not least to meet the severe humanitarian needs of the population, and providing a third party presence if agreed by both parties, in cooperation with the Union's institution building efforts.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 184, 23.7.2003, p. 45.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 46, 17.2.2009, p. 65.

3. These objectives are based on the Union's commitment to:

- (a) work with the parties and with partners in the international community, especially within the framework of the Middle East Quartet, to pursue every opportunity for peace and for a decent future for all people of the region;
- (b) continue to assist in Palestinian political and administrative reforms, the electoral process and security reforms;
- (c) contribute fully to peace building, as well as to the recovery of the Palestinian economy as an integral part of regional development.

4. The EUSR shall support the work of the HR in the region, including in the framework of the Middle East Quartet.

Article 3

Mandate

In order to achieve the policy objectives, the mandate of the EUSR shall be to:

- (a) provide an active and efficient contribution from the Union to actions and initiatives leading to a final settlement of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and of the Israeli-Syrian and Israeli-Lebanese conflicts;
- (b) facilitate and maintain close contact with all the parties to the Middle East peace process, other countries of the region, members of the Middle East Quartet and other relevant countries, as well as the UN and other relevant international organisations, in order to work with them in strengthening the peace process;
- (c) ensure continued presence of the Union on the ground and in relevant international forums and contribute to crisis management and prevention;
- (d) observe and support peace negotiations between the parties and offer the Union's advice and good offices as appropriate;
- (e) contribute, where requested, to the implementation of international agreements reached between the parties and engage with them diplomatically in the event of non-compliance with the terms of these agreements;
- (f) pay particular attention to factors having implication for the regional dimension of the Middle East peace process;

(g) engage constructively with signatories to agreements within the framework of the peace process in order to promote compliance with the basic norms of democracy, including respect for human rights and the rule of law;

(h) contribute to the implementation of the EU human rights policy and EU Guidelines on Human Rights, in particular with regard to children and women in conflict-affected areas, especially by monitoring and addressing developments in this regard;

(i) report on the possibilities for Union intervention in the peace process and on the best way of pursuing Union initiatives and ongoing Middle East peace process-related Union efforts, such as the contribution of the Union to Palestinian reforms, and including the political aspects of relevant Union development projects;

(j) monitor actions by either side on the implementation of the roadmap and on issues that might prejudice the outcome of the permanent status negotiations to enable the Middle East Quartet to better assess the parties compliance;

(k) engage in wider collaboration on Security Sector Reform in cooperation with the European Commission and the US Security Coordinator and facilitate cooperation on security issues with all relevant actors;

(l) contribute to a better understanding of the role of the Union among opinion leaders in the region.

Article 4

Implementation of the mandate

1. The EUSR shall be responsible for the implementation of the mandate acting under the authority of the HR.

2. The Political and Security Committee (PSC) shall maintain a privileged link with the EUSR and shall be the EUSR's primary point of contact with the Council. The PSC shall provide the EUSR with strategic guidance and political direction within the framework of the mandate, without prejudice to the powers of the HR.

Article 5

Financing

1. The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to the mandate of the EUSR in the period from 1 March 2010 to 31 August 2010 shall be EUR 730 000.

2. The expenditure financed by the amount stipulated in paragraph 1 shall be eligible as from 1 March 2010. The expenditure shall be managed in accordance with the procedures and rules applicable to the general budget of the Union.

3. The management of the expenditure shall be subject to a contract between the EUSR and the Commission. The EUSR shall be accountable to the Commission for all expenditure.

Article 6

Constitution and composition of the team

1. Within the limits of his mandate and the corresponding financial means made available, the EUSR shall be responsible for constituting his team. The team shall include the expertise on specific policy issues as required by the mandate. The EUSR shall keep the Council and the Commission promptly informed of the composition of his team.

2. Member States and institutions of the Union may propose the secondment of staff to work with the EUSR. The salary of personnel who are seconded by a Member State or an institution of the Union to the EUSR shall be covered by the Member State or the institution of the Union concerned respectively. Experts seconded by Member States to the General Secretariat of the Council may also be posted to the EUSR. International contracted staff shall have the nationality of a Member State.

3. All seconded personnel shall remain under the administrative authority of the sending Member State or Union institution and shall carry out their duties and act in the interest of the mandate of the EUSR.

Article 7

Privileges and immunities of the EUSR and his staff

The privileges, immunities and further guarantees necessary for the completion and smooth functioning of the mission of the EUSR and the members of his staff shall be agreed with the host party/parties as appropriate. Member States and the Commission shall grant all necessary support to such effect.

Article 8

Security of EU classified information

The EUSR and the members of his team shall respect the security principles and minimum standards established by

Council Decision 2001/264/EC of 19 March 2001 adopting the Council's security regulations ⁽¹⁾, in particular when managing EU classified information.

Article 9

Access to information and logistical support

1. Member States, the Commission and the General Secretariat of the Council shall ensure that the EUSR is given access to any relevant information.

2. The Union delegation and/or Member States, as appropriate, shall provide logistical support in the region.

Article 10

Security

In accordance with the Union's policy on the security of personnel deployed outside the Union in an operational capacity under Title V of the Treaty, the EUSR shall take all reasonably practicable measures, in conformity with his mandate and the security situation in his geographical area of responsibility, for the security of all personnel under his direct authority, notably by:

- (a) establishing a mission-specific security plan based on guidance from the General Secretariat of the Council, including mission-specific physical, organisational and procedural security measures, governing management of the secure movement of personnel to, and within, the mission area, as well as management of security incidents and including a mission contingency and evacuation plan;
- (b) ensuring that all personnel deployed outside the Union are covered by high risk insurance as required by the conditions in the mission area;
- (c) ensuring that all members of his team to be deployed outside the Union, including locally contracted personnel, have received appropriate security training before or upon arriving in the mission area, based on the risk ratings assigned to the mission area by the General Secretariat of the Council;
- (d) ensuring that all agreed recommendations made following regular security assessments are implemented and providing the HR, the Council and the Commission with written reports on their implementation and on other security issues within the framework of the mid-term and mandate implementation reports.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 101, 11.4.2001, p. 1.

*Article 11***Reporting**

The EUSR shall regularly provide the HR and the PSC with oral and written reports. The EUSR shall also report as necessary to Council working parties. Regular written reports shall be circulated through the COREU network. Upon recommendation of the HR or the PSC, the EUSR may provide the Foreign Affairs Council with reports.

*Article 12***Coordination**

1. The EUSR shall promote overall Union political coordination. He shall help to ensure that all Union instruments in the field are engaged coherently to attain the Union's policy objectives. The activities of the EUSR shall be coordinated with those of the Commission, as well as those of other EUSR's active in the region as appropriate. The EUSR shall provide Member States missions and the Union's delegations with regular briefings.

2. In the field, close liaison shall be maintained with the Head of the Union delegation and Member States' Heads of Mission. They shall make best efforts to assist the EUSR in the implementation of the mandate. The EUSR shall provide the Heads of the European Union Police Mission in the Palestinian Territories (EUPOL COPPS) and of the European Union Border Assistance Mission for the Rafah Crossing Point (EU BAM Rafah) with local political guidance. The EUSR and the Civilian Operation Commander shall consult each other as required. The EUSR shall also liaise with other international and regional actors in the field.

*Article 13***Review**

The implementation of this Decision and its consistency with other contributions from the Union to the region shall be kept under regular review. The EUSR shall present the HR, the Council and the Commission with a mandate implementation report at the end of the mandate.

*Article 14***Entry into force**

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

It shall apply from 1 March 2010.

*Article 15***Publication**

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

Done at Brussels, 22 February 2010.

For the Council

The President

C. ASHTON

COUNCIL DECISION 2010/108/CFSP**of 22 February 2010****extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative in the Republic of Moldova**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Articles 28, 31(2) and 33 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 15 February 2007, the Council adopted Joint Action 2007/107/CFSP⁽¹⁾ appointing Mr Kálmán MIZSEI European Union Special Representative (EUSR) in the Republic of Moldova.
- (2) On 16 February 2009, the Council adopted Joint Action 2009/132/CFSP⁽²⁾ extending the mandate of the EUSR until 28 February 2010.
- (3) The mandate of the EUSR should be extended until 31 August 2010. However, the mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (HR) following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.
- (4) The EUSR will implement his mandate in the context of a situation which may deteriorate and could harm the Common Foreign and Security Policy objectives set out in Article 21 of the Treaty,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1***European Union Special Representative**

The mandate of Mr Kálmán MIZSEI as the European Union Special Representative (EUSR) in the Republic of Moldova is hereby extended until 31 August 2010. The mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the HR following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.

*Article 2***Policy objectives**

1. The mandate of the EUSR shall be based on the policy objectives of the European Union (EU) in the Republic of Moldova. These objectives include:

- (a) contributing to a peaceful settlement of the Transnistria conflict and to the implementation of such a settlement on the basis of a viable solution, respecting the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Moldova within its internationally recognised borders;
- (b) contributing to the strengthening of democracy, the rule of law and respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all citizens of the Republic of Moldova;
- (c) promoting good and close relations between the Republic of Moldova and the Union on the basis of common values and interests and as set out in the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP) Action Plan;
- (d) assisting in the fight against the trafficking of human beings and of weapons and other goods, from and through the Republic of Moldova;
- (e) contributing to strengthening stability and cooperation in the region;
- (f) enhancing Union effectiveness and visibility in the Republic of Moldova and in the region;
- (g) enhancing the effectiveness of border and customs controls and border surveillance activities in the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine along their common border, with a particular focus on the Transnistrian section, notably through an EU Border Mission.

2. The EUSR shall support the work of the HR in the Republic of Moldova and the region.

*Article 3***Mandate**

1. In order to achieve the policy objectives, the mandate of the EUSR shall be to:

- (a) strengthen the Union's contribution to the resolution of the Transnistria conflict in accordance with agreed Union policy objectives and in close coordination with the OSCE, representing the Union through appropriate channels and in agreed fora and by developing and maintaining close contacts with all relevant actors;

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 46, 16.2.2007, p. 59.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 46, 17.2.2009, p. 50.

- (b) assist in the preparation, as appropriate, of Union contributions to the implementation of an eventual conflict settlement;
- (c) follow closely political developments in the Republic of Moldova, including in the Transnistrian region, by developing and maintaining close contacts with the Government of the Republic of Moldova and other domestic actors, and offer, as appropriate, the Union's advice and facilitation;
- (d) assist in the further development of the Union's policy towards the Republic of Moldova and the region, in particular regarding conflict prevention and conflict resolution;
- (e) through a support team led by a Senior Political Adviser to the EUSR:
 - (i) assure political overview of developments and activities related to the Moldovan-Ukrainian state border;
 - (ii) analyse the political commitment of the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine to improving border management;
 - (iii) promote cooperation on border issues between the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine, also in view of building preconditions for a settlement to the Transnistrian conflict;
- (f) contribute to the implementation of the EU human rights policy and EU Guidelines on Human Rights, in particular with regard to children and women in conflict-affected areas, especially by monitoring and addressing developments in this regard.

2. For the purpose of the fulfilment of his mandate, the EUSR shall maintain an overview of all Union activities, notably the relevant aspects of the ENP Action Plan.

Article 4

Implementation of the mandate

1. The EUSR shall be responsible for the implementation of the mandate acting under the authority of the HR.
2. The Political and Security Committee (PSC) shall maintain a privileged link with the EUSR and shall be the EUSR's primary point of contact with the Council. The PSC shall provide the

EUSR with strategic guidance and political direction within the framework of the mandate, without prejudice to the powers of the HR.

Article 5

Financing

1. The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to the mandate of the EUSR in the period from 1 March 2010 to 31 August 2010 shall be EUR 1 025 000.
2. The expenditure financed by the amount stipulated in paragraph 1 shall be eligible as from 1 March 2010. The expenditure shall be managed in accordance with the procedures and rules applicable to the general budget of the Union.
3. The management of the expenditure shall be subject to a contract between the EUSR and the Commission. The EUSR shall be accountable to the Commission for all expenditure.

Article 6

Constitution and composition of the team

1. Within the limits of his mandate and the corresponding financial means made available, the EUSR shall be responsible for constituting his team. The team shall include the expertise on specific policy issues as required by the mandate. The EUSR shall keep the Council and the Commission promptly informed of the composition of his team.
2. Member States and institutions of the Union may propose the secondment of staff to work with the EUSR. The salary of personnel who are seconded by a Member State or an institution of the Union to the EUSR shall be covered by the Member State or the institution of the Union concerned. Experts seconded by Member States to the General Secretariat of the Council may also be posted to the EUSR. International contracted staff shall have the nationality of a Member State.
3. All seconded personnel shall remain under the administrative authority of the sending Member State or Union institution and shall carry out their duties and act in the interest of the mandate of the EUSR.

Article 7

Privileges and immunities of the EUSR and his staff

The privileges, immunities and further guarantees necessary for the completion and smooth functioning of the mission of the EUSR and the members of his staff shall be agreed with the host party/parties as appropriate. Member States and the Commission shall grant all necessary support to such effect.

*Article 8***Security of EU classified information**

The EUSR and the members of his team shall respect the security principles and minimum standards established by Council Decision 2001/264/EC of 19 March 2001 adopting the Council's security regulations⁽¹⁾, in particular when managing EU classified information.

*Article 9***Access to information and logistical support**

1. Member States, the Commission and the General Secretariat of the Council shall ensure that the EUSR is given access to any relevant information.

2. The Union delegation and/or Member States, as appropriate, shall provide logistical support in the region.

*Article 10***Security**

In accordance with the Union's policy on the security of personnel deployed outside the Union in an operational capacity under Title V of the Treaty, the EUSR shall take all reasonably practicable measures, in conformity with his mandate and the security situation in his geographical area of responsibility, for the security of all personnel under his direct authority, notably by:

- (a) establishing a mission-specific security plan based on guidance from the General Secretariat of the Council, including mission-specific physical, organisational and procedural security measures, governing management of the secure movement of personnel to, and within, the mission area, as well as management of security incidents and including a mission contingency and evacuation plan;
- (b) ensuring that all personnel deployed outside the Union are covered by high risk insurance as required by the conditions in the mission area;
- (c) ensuring that all members of his team to be deployed outside the Union, including locally contracted personnel, have received appropriate security training before or upon arriving in the mission area, based on the risk ratings assigned to the mission area by the General Secretariat of the Council;

- (d) ensuring that all agreed recommendations made following regular security assessments are implemented and providing the HR, the Council and the Commission with written reports on their implementation and on other security issues within the framework of the mid-term and mandate implementation reports.

*Article 11***Reporting**

The EUSR shall regularly provide the HR and the PSC with oral and written reports. The EUSR shall also report as necessary to Council working parties. Regular written reports shall be circulated through the COREU network. Upon recommendation of the HR or the PSC, the EUSR may provide the Foreign Affairs Council with reports.

*Article 12***Coordination**

1. The EUSR shall promote overall Union political coordination. He shall help to ensure that all Union instruments in the field are engaged coherently to attain the Union's policy objectives. The activities of the EUSR shall be coordinated with those of the Presidency and the Commission, as well as those of other EUSRs active in the region as appropriate. The EUSR shall provide Member States' missions and the Union's delegations with regular briefings.

2. In the field, close liaison shall be maintained with the Head of the Union delegation and Member States' Heads of Mission. They shall make best efforts to assist the EUSR in the implementation of the mandate. The EUSR shall also liaise with other international and regional actors in the field.

*Article 13***Review**

The implementation of this Decision and its consistency with other contributions from the Union to the region shall be kept under regular review. The EUSR shall present the HR, the Council and the Commission with a mandate implementation report at the end of the mandate.

*Article 14***Entry into force**

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

It shall apply from 1 March 2010.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 101, 11.4.2001, p. 1.

*Article 15***Publication**

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

Done at Brussels, 22 February 2010.

For the Council
The President
C. ASHTON

COUNCIL DECISION 2010/109/CFSP**of 22 February 2010****extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for the South Caucasus**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

*Article 2***Policy objectives**

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union and, in particular, Articles 28, 31(2) and 33 thereof,

1. The mandate of the EUSR shall be based on the policy objectives of the European Union for the South Caucasus. These objectives include:

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

(a) to assist Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia in carrying out political and economic reforms, notably in the fields of rule of law, democratisation, human rights, good governance, development and poverty reduction;

Whereas:

(1) On 20 February 2006, the Council adopted Joint Action 2006/121/CFSP⁽¹⁾ appointing Mr Peter SEMNEBY European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for the South Caucasus.

(b) in accordance with existing mechanisms, to prevent conflicts in the region, to contribute to the peaceful settlement of conflicts, including through promoting the return of refugees and internally displaced persons;

(2) On 16 February 2009, the Council adopted Joint Action 2009/133/CFSP⁽²⁾ amending and extending the mandate of the EUSR until 28 February 2010.

(c) to engage constructively with main interested actors concerning the region;

(3) The mandate of the EUSR should be extended until 31 August 2010. However, the mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (HR) following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.

(d) to encourage and to support further cooperation between States of the region, in particular between the States of the South Caucasus, including on economic, energy and transport issues;

(4) The EUSR will implement his mandate in the context of a situation which may deteriorate and could harm the objectives of the Common Foreign and Security Policy as set out in Article 21 of the Treaty,

(e) to enhance the effectiveness and visibility of the Union in the region.

2. The EUSR shall support the work of the HR in the region.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 3***Mandate**

In order to achieve the policy objectives, the mandate of the EUSR shall be to:

*Article 1***European Union Special Representative**

The mandate of Mr Peter SEMNEBY as the European Union Special Representative for the South Caucasus is hereby extended until 31 August 2010. The mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the HR following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.

(a) develop contacts with governments, parliaments, the judiciary and civil society in the region;

(b) encourage Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia to cooperate on regional themes of common interest, such as common security threats, the fight against terrorism, trafficking and organised crime;

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 49, 21.2.2006, p. 14.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 46, 17.2.2009, p. 53.

- (c) contribute to the prevention of conflicts and to assist in creating the conditions for progress on settlement of conflicts, including through recommendations for action related to civil society and rehabilitation of territories, without prejudice to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union;
 - (d) contribute to the settlement of conflicts and to facilitate the implementation of such settlement in close coordination with the United Nations Secretary-General and the UN Mobile Team, the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe and its Minsk Group;
 - (e) provide the Head of the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia (EUMM Georgia) with local political guidance;
 - (f) intensify the Union's dialogue with the main actors concerned regarding the region;
 - (g) assist the Council in further developing a comprehensive policy towards the South Caucasus;
 - (h) through a support team:
 - assist the Georgian Border Police and other relevant government institutions in Tbilisi in the implementation of the comprehensive integrated border management strategy,
 - work with the Georgian authorities to increase communication between Tbilisi and the border, including mentoring. This shall be done by liaison and by working closely with all levels of the chain of command between Tbilisi and the border (excluding operational field activities in Abkhazia and South Ossetia);
 - (i) contribute to the implementation of the EU human rights policy and EU Guidelines on Human Rights, in particular with regard to children and women in conflict affected areas, especially by monitoring and addressing developments in this regard.
- Article 4*
- Implementation of the mandate**
1. The EUSR shall be responsible for the implementation of the mandate, acting under the authority of the HR.
 2. The Political and Security Committee (PSC) shall maintain a privileged link with the EUSR and shall be the EUSR's primary point of contact with the Council. The PSC shall provide the EUSR with strategic guidance and political direction within the framework of the mandate, without prejudice to the powers of the HR.
- Article 5*
- Financing**
1. The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to the mandate of the EUSR in the period from 1 March 2010 to 31 August 2010 shall be EUR 1 855 000.
 2. The expenditure financed by the amount stipulated in paragraph 1 shall be eligible as from 1 March 2010. The expenditure shall be managed in accordance with the procedures and rules applicable to the general budget of the Union.
 3. The management of the expenditure shall be subject to a contract between the EUSR and the Commission. The EUSR shall be accountable to the Commission for all expenditure.
- provide the Union with reporting and a continued assessment of the border situation,
 - facilitate confidence-building between Georgia and the Russian Federation, thereby ensuring efficient cooperation and liaison with all relevant actors,
 - establish relevant contacts in the conflict regions, thereby enabling the support team to contribute to confidence-building and to assess border-related issues in those regions, after terms of reference have been agreed with the Georgian government and consultations held with all parties concerned (excluding operational field activities in Abkhazia and South Ossetia),

*Article 6***Constitution and composition of the team**

1. Within the limits of his mandate and the corresponding financial means made available, the EUSR shall be responsible for constituting his team. The team shall include the expertise on specific policy issues as required by the mandate. The EUSR shall keep the Council and the Commission promptly informed of the composition of his team.

2. Member States and institutions of the Union may propose the secondment of staff to work with the EUSR. The salary of personnel who are seconded by a Member State or an institution of the Union to the EUSR shall be covered by the Member State or the institution of the Union concerned respectively. Experts seconded by Member States to the General Secretariat of the Council may also be posted to the EUSR. International contracted staff shall have the nationality of a Member State.

3. All seconded personnel shall remain under the administrative authority of the sending Member State or Union institution and shall carry out their duties and act in the interest of the mandate of the EUSR.

*Article 7***Privileges and immunities of the EUSR and his staff**

The privileges, immunities and further guarantees necessary for the completion and smooth functioning of the mission of the EUSR and the members of his staff shall be agreed with the host party/parties as appropriate. Member States and the Commission shall grant all necessary support to such effect.

*Article 8***Security of EU classified information**

The EUSR and the members of his team shall respect the security principles and minimum standards established by Council Decision 2001/264/EC of 19 March 2001 adopting the Council's security regulations⁽¹⁾, in particular when managing EU classified information.

*Article 9***Access to information and logistical support**

1. Member States, the Commission and the General Secretariat of the Council shall ensure that the EUSR is given access to any relevant information.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 101, 11.4.2001, p. 1.

2. The Union delegations and/or Member States, as appropriate, shall provide logistical support in the region.

*Article 10***Security**

In accordance with the Union's policy on the security of personnel deployed outside the Union in an operational capacity under Title V of the Treaty, the EUSR shall take all reasonably practicable measures, in conformity with his mandate and the security situation in his geographical area of responsibility, for the security of all personnel under his direct authority, notably by:

- (a) establishing a mission-specific security plan based on guidance from the General Secretariat of the Council, including mission-specific physical, organisational and procedural security measures, governing management of the secure movement of personnel to, and within, the mission area, as well as management of security incidents and including a mission contingency and evacuation plan;
- (b) ensuring that all personnel deployed outside the Union are covered by high risk insurance as required by the conditions in the mission area;
- (c) ensuring that all members of his team to be deployed outside the Union, including locally contracted personnel, have received appropriate security training before or upon arriving in the mission area, based on the risk ratings assigned to the mission area by the General Secretariat of the Council;
- (d) ensuring that all agreed recommendations made following regular security assessments are implemented and providing the HR, the Council and the Commission with written reports on their implementation and on other security issues within the framework of the mid-term and mandate implementation reports.

*Article 11***Reporting**

The EUSR shall regularly provide the HR and the PSC with oral and written reports. The EUSR shall also report as necessary to Council working parties. Regular written reports shall be circulated through the COREU network. Upon recommendation of the HR or the PSC, the EUSR may provide the Foreign Affairs Council with reports.

*Article 12***Coordination**

1. The EUSR shall promote overall Union political coordination. He shall help to ensure that all Union instruments in the field are engaged coherently to attain the Union's policy objectives. The activities of the EUSR shall be coordinated with those of the Commission, as well as those of other EUSRs active in the region, and in particular the EUSR for the crisis in Georgia, while taking into account the specific objectives of the latter's mandate. The EUSR shall provide Member States' missions and the Union's delegations with regular briefings.

2. In the field, close liaison shall be maintained with the Heads of the Union delegations and Member States' Heads of Mission. They shall make best efforts to assist the EUSR in the implementation of the mandate. The EUSR shall provide the Head of EUMM Georgia with local political guidance. The EUSR and the Civilian Operations Commander shall consult each other as required. The EUSR shall also liaise with other international and regional actors in the field.

*Article 13***Review**

The implementation of this Decision and its consistency with other contributions from the Union to the region shall be kept

under regular review. The EUSR shall present the HR, the Council and the Commission with a mandate implementation report at the end of the mandate.

*Article 14***Entry into force**

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

It shall apply from 1 March 2010.

*Article 15***Publication**

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

Done at Brussels, 22 February 2010.

For the Council

The President

C. ASHTON

COUNCIL DECISION 2010/110/CFSP**of 22 February 2010****extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for Sudan**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union and, in particular, Articles 28, 31(2) and 33 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 19 April 2007, the Council adopted Decision 2007/238/CFSP ⁽¹⁾ appointing Mr Torben BRYLLE European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for Sudan.
- (2) On 16 February 2009, the Council adopted Joint Action 2009/134/CFSP ⁽²⁾ amending and extending the mandate of the EUSR until 28 February 2010.
- (3) The mandate of the EUSR should be extended until 31 August 2010. However, the mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (HR) following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.
- (4) The EUSR will implement his mandate in the context of a situation which may deteriorate and could harm the Common Foreign and Security Policy objectives set out in Article 21 of the Treaty,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1***European Union Special Representative**

The mandate of Mr Torben BRYLLE as the European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for Sudan is hereby extended until 31 August 2010. The mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the HR following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.

*Article 2***Policy objectives**

The mandate of the EUSR shall be based on the policy objectives of the European Union (EU) in Sudan, notably as regards efforts, as part of the international community and in support of the African Union (AU) and the United Nations (UN), to assist the Sudanese parties, the AU and the UN to achieve a political settlement of the conflict in Darfur, including through the

implementation of the Darfur Peace Agreement (DPA) and to facilitate the implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) and to promote South-South dialogue, as well as facilitating the implementation of the Eastern Sudan Peace Agreement (ESPA), with due regard to the regional ramifications of these issues and to the principle of African ownership.

*Article 3***Mandate**

1. In order to achieve the policy objectives, the EUSR's mandate shall be to:
 - (a) liaise with the AU, the Government of Sudan, the Government of Southern Sudan, the Darfur armed movements and other Sudanese parties as well as Darfur civil society and non-governmental organisations and maintain close collaboration with the UN and other relevant international actors, with the aim of pursuing the Union's policy objectives;
 - (b) represent the Union at the Darfur-Darfur dialogue, at high-level meetings of the Joint Commission, as well as other relevant meetings as requested;
 - (c) represent the Union, whenever possible, at the CPA and DPA Assessment and Evaluation Commissions;
 - (d) follow developments regarding the implementation of the ESPA;
 - (e) ensure coherence between the Union's contribution to crisis management in Darfur and the overall political relationship of the Union with Sudan;
 - (f) with regard to human rights, including the rights of children and women, and the fight against impunity in Sudan, follow the situation and maintain regular contacts with the Sudanese authorities, the AU and the UN, in particular with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, the human rights observers active in the region and the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court.
2. For the purpose of the fulfilment of his mandate, the EUSR shall, *inter alia*:
 - (a) maintain an overview of all activities of the Union;
 - (b) support the political process and activities relating to the implementation of the CPA, the DPA and the ESPA; and

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 103, 20.4.2007, p. 52.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 46, 17.2.2009, p. 57.

- (c) follow up and report on compliance by the Sudanese parties with the relevant UN Security Council Resolutions, notably 1556 (2004), 1564 (2004), 1591 (2005), 1593 (2005), 1672 (2006), 1679 (2006), 1706 (2006), 1769 (2007) and 1778 (2007).

Article 4

Implementation of the mandate

1. The EUSR shall be responsible for the implementation of the mandate acting under the authority of the HR.

2. The Political and Security Committee (PSC) shall maintain a privileged link with the EUSR and shall be the EUSR's primary point of contact with the Council. The PSC shall provide the EUSR with strategic guidance and political direction within the framework of the mandate, without prejudice to the powers of the HR.

Article 5

Financing

1. The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to the mandate of the EUSR in the period from 1 March 2010 to 31 August 2010 shall be EUR 1 410 000.

2. The expenditure financed by the amount stipulated in paragraph 1 shall be eligible as from 1 March 2010. The expenditure shall be managed in accordance with the procedures and rules applicable to the general budget of the Union.

3. The management of the expenditure shall be subject to a contract between the EUSR and the Commission. The EUSR shall be accountable to the Commission for all expenditure.

Article 6

Constitution and composition of the team

1. Within the limits of his mandate and the corresponding financial means made available, the EUSR shall be responsible for constituting his team. The team shall include the expertise on specific policy issues as required by the mandate. The EUSR shall keep the Council and the Commission promptly informed of the composition of his team.

2. Member States and institutions of the Union may propose the secondment of staff to work with the EUSR. The salary of personnel who are seconded by a Member State or an institution of the Union to the EUSR shall be covered by the Member State or the institution of the Union concerned respectively. Experts seconded by Member States to the General Secretariat of the Council may also be posted to the EUSR. International contracted staff shall have the nationality of a Member State.

3. All seconded personnel shall remain under the administrative authority of the sending Member State or Union institution

and shall carry out their duties and act in the interest of the mandate of the EUSR.

4. Offices of the EUSR shall be maintained in Khartoum and in Juba, comprising a Political Advisor and the necessary administrative and logistic support staff. In accordance with the EUSR's mandate as described in Article 3, a sub-office in Darfur may also be established if the existing Offices in Khartoum and Juba cannot provide all necessary support to EUSR staff deployed in the Darfur region.

Article 7

Privileges and immunities of the EUSR and his staff

The privileges, immunities and further guarantees necessary for the completion and smooth functioning of the mission of the EUSR and the members of his staff shall be agreed with the host party/parties as appropriate. Member States and the Commission shall grant all necessary support to such effect.

Article 8

Security of EU classified information

The EUSR and the members of his team shall respect the security principles and minimum standards established by Council Decision 2001/264/EC of 19 March 2001 adopting the Council's security regulations⁽¹⁾, in particular when managing EU classified information.

Article 9

Access to information and logistical support

1. Member States, the Commission and the General Secretariat of the Council shall ensure that the EUSR is given access to any relevant information.

2. The Union delegation and/or Member States, as appropriate, shall provide logistical support in the region.

Article 10

Security

In accordance with the Union's policy on the security of personnel deployed outside the Union in an operational capacity under Title V of the Treaty, the EUSR shall take all reasonably practicable measures, in conformity with his mandate and the security situation in his geographical area of responsibility, for the security of all personnel under his direct authority, notably by:

- (a) establishing a mission-specific security plan based on guidance from the General Secretariat of the Council, including mission-specific physical, organisational and procedural security measures, governing management of the secure movement of personnel to, and within, the mission area, as well as management of security incidents and including a mission contingency and evacuation plan;

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 101, 11.4.2001, p. 1.

- (b) ensuring that all personnel deployed outside the Union are covered by high risk insurance as required by the conditions in the mission area;
- (c) ensuring that all members of his team to be deployed outside the Union, including locally contracted personnel, have received appropriate security training before or upon arriving in the mission area, based on the risk ratings assigned to the mission area by the General Secretariat of the Council;
- (d) ensuring that all agreed recommendations made following regular security assessments are implemented and providing the HR, the Council and the Commission with written reports on their implementation and on other security issues within the framework of the mid-term and mandate implementation reports.

Article 11

Reporting

1. The EUSR shall regularly provide the HR and the PSC with oral and written reports. The EUSR shall also report as necessary to Council working parties. Regular written reports shall be circulated through the COREU network. Upon recommendation of the HR or the PSC, the EUSR may provide the Foreign Affairs Council with reports.
2. The EUSR shall regularly report to the PSC on the situation in Darfur and on the situation in Sudan as a whole.

Article 12

Coordination

1. The EUSR shall promote overall Union political coordination. He shall help to ensure that all Union instruments in the field are engaged coherently to attain the Union's policy objectives. The activities of the EUSR shall be coordinated with those of the Commission, as well as those of other EUSRs active in the region as appropriate. The EUSR shall provide

Member States' missions and the Union's delegations with regular briefings.

2. In the field, close liaison shall be maintained with the Head of the Union delegation and Member States' Heads of Mission. They shall make best efforts to assist the EUSR in the implementation of the mandate. The EUSR shall also liaise with other international and regional actors in the field.

Article 13

Review

The implementation of this Decision and its consistency with other contributions from the Union to the region shall be kept under regular review. The EUSR shall present the HR, the Council and the Commission with a mandate implementation report at the end of the mandate.

Article 14

Entry into force

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

It shall apply from 1 March 2010.

Article 15

Publication

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

Done at Brussels, 22 February 2010.

For the Council
The President
C. ASHTON

COUNCIL DECISION 2010/111/CFSP**of 22 February 2010****extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative in Bosnia and Herzegovina**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

*Article 2***Policy objectives**

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Articles 28, 31(2) and 33 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 11 March 2009, the Council adopted Joint Action 2009/181/CFSP⁽¹⁾ appointing Mr Valentin INZKO European Union Special Representative (EUSR) in Bosnia and Herzegovina until 28 February 2010.
- (2) The mandate of the EUSR should be extended until 31 August 2010. However, the mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (HR) following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.
- (3) The EUSR's mandate should be implemented in coordination with the Commission in order to ensure consistency with other relevant activities falling within Union competence.
- (4) The EUSR will implement his mandate in the context of a situation which may deteriorate and could harm the Common Foreign and Security Policy objectives set out in Article 21 of the Treaty,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1***European Union Special Representative**

The mandate of Mr Valentin INZKO as the European Union Special Representative (EUSR) in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) is hereby extended until 31 August 2010. The mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the HR following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 67, 12.3.2009, p. 88.

The mandate of the EUSR shall be based on the policy objectives of the European Union (EU) in BiH. These centre around continued progress in the implementation of the General Framework Agreement for Peace (GFAP) in BiH, in accordance with the Office of the High Representative's Mission Implementation Plan, as well as continued progress in the Stabilisation and Association Process, with the aim of a stable, viable, peaceful and multiethnic BiH, cooperating peacefully with its neighbours and irreversibly on track towards EU membership.

*Article 3***Mandate**

In order to achieve the policy objectives, the mandate of the EUSR shall be to:

- (a) offer the Union's advice and facilitate the political process;
- (b) promote overall Union political coordination and contribute to the reinforcement of internal Union coordination and coherence in BiH, including through briefings to Union Heads of Mission and participation in, or representation at, their regular meetings; by chairing a coordination group composed of all Union actors present in the field with a view to coordinating the implementation aspects of the Union's action, and by providing them with guidance on relations with the BiH authorities;
- (c) promote overall Union coordination of, and give local political direction to, Union efforts in tackling organised crime, without prejudice to the leading role of the European Union Police Mission (EUPM) in coordinating the policing aspects of such efforts and to the ALTHEA (EUFOR) military chain of command;
- (d) without prejudice to the military chain of command, offer the EU Force Commander political guidance on military issues with a local political dimension, in particular concerning sensitive operations, relations with local authorities and with the local media;
- (e) consult with the EU Force Commander before taking political action that may have an impact on the security situation;

- (f) ensure consistency and coherence of Union action towards the public; the EUSR spokesperson shall be the main EU point of contact for BiH media on Common Foreign and Security Policy/Common Security and Defence Policy (CFSP/CSDP) issues;
- (g) maintain an overview of the whole range of activities in the field of the rule of law and, in this context, provide the HR and the Commission with advice as necessary;
- (h) provide the Head of Mission of the EUPM with local political guidance; the EUSR and the Civilian Operation Commander shall consult each other as required;
- (i) as part of the broader approach to the rule of law taken by the international community and the BiH authorities and, drawing upon the EUPM's provision of technical policing expertise and assistance in this respect, support the preparation and implementation of police restructuring;
- (j) provide support for a reinforced and more effective BiH criminal justice/police interface, in close liaison with the EUPM;
- (k) consult with the Head of the EUPM before taking political action that may have an impact on the police and security situation;
- (l) as far as activities regarding police and judicial cooperation in criminal matters, including Europol, and related Union activities are concerned, provide the HR and the Commission with advice as necessary, and take part in the required local coordination;
- (m) with a view to coherence and possible synergies, continue to be consulted on priorities for the Instrument of Pre-accession Assistance;
- (n) support the planning for a reinforced Union presence in the context of the closure of the Office of the High Representative (OHR), including providing advice on public information aspects of the transition, in close coordination with the Commission;
- (o) contribute to the development and consolidation of respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms in BiH, in accordance with the EU human rights policy and EU Guidelines on Human Rights;
- (p) engage with relevant BiH authorities on their full co-operation with the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY);
- (q) provide political advice and facilitation in the process of constitutional reform;

- (r) without prejudice to the applicable chains of command, provide help to ensure that all Union instruments in the field are applied coherently to attain the Union's policy objectives.

Article 4

Implementation of the mandate

1. The EUSR shall be responsible for the implementation of the mandate acting under the authority of the HR.

2. The Political and Security Committee (PSC) shall maintain a privileged link with the EUSR and shall be the EUSR's primary point of contact with the Council. The PSC shall provide the EUSR with strategic guidance and political direction within the framework of the mandate, without prejudice to the powers of the HR.

Article 5

High Representative

The role of the EUSR shall not in any way prejudice the mandate of the High Representative in BiH, including his coordinating role with regard to all activities of all civilian organisations and agencies as set out in the General Framework Agreement for Peace (GFAP) and subsequent Peace Implementation Council (PIC) conclusions and declarations.

Article 6

Financing

1. The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to the mandate of the EUSR in the period from 1 March 2010 to 31 August 2010 shall be EUR 2 350 000.

2. The expenditure financed by the amount stipulated in paragraph 1 shall be eligible as from 1 March 2010. The expenditure shall be managed in accordance with the procedures and rules applicable to the general budget of the Union.

3. The management of the expenditure shall be subject to a contract between the EUSR and the Commission. The EUSR shall be accountable to the Commission for all expenditure.

Article 7

Constitution and composition of the team

1. Within the limits of his mandate and the corresponding financial means made available, the EUSR shall be responsible for constituting his team. The team shall include the expertise on specific policy issues as required by the mandate. The EUSR shall keep the Council and the Commission promptly informed of the composition of his team.

2. Member States and institutions of the Union may propose the secondment of staff to work with the EUSR. The salary of personnel who are seconded by a Member State or an institution of the Union to the EUSR shall be covered by the Member State or the institution of the Union concerned respectively. Experts seconded by Member States to the General Secretariat of the Council may also be posted to the EUSR. International contracted staff shall have the nationality of a Member State.

3. All seconded personnel shall remain under the administrative authority of the sending Member State or Union institution and shall carry out their duties and act in the interest of the mandate of the EUSR.

Article 8

Privileges and immunities of the EUSR and his staff

The privileges, immunities and further guarantees necessary for the completion and smooth functioning of the mission of the EUSR and the members of his staff shall be agreed with the host party/parties as appropriate. Member States and the Commission shall grant all necessary support to such effect.

Article 9

Security of EU classified information

The EUSR and the members of his team shall respect the security principles and minimum standards established by Council Decision 2001/264/EC of 19 March 2001 adopting the Council's security regulations⁽¹⁾, in particular when managing EU classified information.

Article 10

Access to information and logistical support

1. Member States, the Commission and the General Secretariat of the Council shall ensure that the EUSR is given access to any relevant information.

2. The Union delegation and/or Member States, as appropriate, shall provide logistical support in the region.

Article 11

Security

In accordance with the Union's policy on the security of personnel deployed outside the Union in an operational capacity under Title V of the Treaty, the EUSR shall take all

reasonably practicable measures, in conformity with his mandate and the security situation in his geographical area of responsibility, for the security of all personnel under his direct authority, notably by:

- (a) establishing a mission-specific security plan based on guidance from the General Secretariat of the Council, including mission-specific physical, organisational and procedural security measures, governing management of the secure movement of personnel to, and within, the mission area, as well as management of security incidents and including a mission contingency and evacuation plan;
- (b) ensuring that all personnel deployed outside the Union are covered by high risk insurance as required by the conditions in the mission area;
- (c) ensuring that all members of his team to be deployed outside the Union, including locally contracted personnel, have received appropriate security training before or upon arriving in the mission area, based on the risk ratings assigned to the mission area by the General Secretariat of the Council;
- (d) ensuring that all agreed recommendations made following regular security assessments are implemented and providing the HR, the Council and the Commission with written reports on their implementation and on other security issues within the framework of the mid-term and mandate implementation reports.

Article 12

Reporting

The EUSR shall regularly provide the HR and the PSC with oral and written reports. The EUSR shall also report as necessary to Council working parties. Regular written reports shall be circulated through the COREU network. Upon recommendation of the HR or the PSC, the EUSR may provide the Foreign Affairs Council with reports.

Article 13

Coordination

1. The activities of the EUSR shall be coordinated with those of the Commission, as well as those of other EUSRs active in the region as appropriate. The EUSR shall provide Member States' missions and the Union's delegations with regular briefings.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 101, 11.4.2001, p. 1.

In the field, close liaison shall be maintained with the Head of the Union delegation and Member states' Heads of Mission. They shall make best efforts to assist the EUSR in the implementation of the mandate. The EUSR shall also liaise with other international and regional actors in the field.

2. In support of Union crisis management operations, the EUSR, with other Union actors present in the field, shall improve the dissemination and sharing of information by those Union actors with a view to achieving a high degree of common situation awareness and assessment.

Article 14

Review

The implementation of this Decision and its consistency with other contributions from the Union to the region shall be kept under regular review. The EUSR shall present the HR, the Council and the Commission with a mandate implementation report at the end of the mandate.

Article 15

Entry into force

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

It shall apply from 1 March 2010.

Article 16

Publication

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

Done at Brussels, 22 February 2010.

For the Council

The President

C. ASHTON

COUNCIL DECISION 2010/112/CFSP**of 22 February 2010****extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for Central Asia**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Articles 28, 31(2) and 33 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 5 October 2006, the Council adopted Decision 2006/670/CFSP ⁽¹⁾ appointing Mr Pierre MOREL European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for Central Asia.
- (2) On 16 February 2009, the Council adopted Joint Action 2009/130/CFSP ⁽²⁾ amending and extending the mandate of the EUSR until 28 February 2010.
- (3) The mandate of the EUSR should be extended until 31 August 2010. However, the mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (HR) following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.
- (4) The EUSR will implement his mandate in the context of a situation which may deteriorate and could harm the Common Foreign and Security Policy objectives set out in Article 21 of the Treaty,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1***European Union Special Representative**

The mandate of Mr Pierre MOREL as the European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for Central Asia is hereby extended until 31 August 2010. The mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the HR following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.

*Article 2***Policy objectives**

The EUSR's mandate shall be based on the Union's policy objectives in Central Asia. These objectives include:

- (a) promoting good and close relations between countries of Central Asia and the Union on the basis of common values and interests as set out in relevant agreements;
- (b) contributing to strengthening the stability and cooperation between the countries in the region;
- (c) contributing to strengthening democracy, the rule of law, good governance and respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms in Central Asia;
- (d) addressing key threats, especially specific problems with direct implications for Europe;
- (e) enhancing the Union's effectiveness and visibility in the region, including through a closer coordination with other relevant partners and international organisations, such as the OSCE.

*Article 3***Mandate**

1. In order to achieve the policy objectives, the EUSR's mandate shall be to:

- (a) promote overall political coordination of the Union in Central Asia and ensure consistency of the external actions of the Union in the region;
- (b) monitor, on behalf of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (HR) and in accordance with his mandate, together with the Commission the implementation process of the EU Strategy for a New Partnership with Central Asia, make recommendations and report to relevant Council bodies on a regular basis;
- (c) assist the Council in further developing a comprehensive policy towards Central Asia;
- (d) follow closely political developments in Central Asia by developing and maintaining close contacts with governments, parliaments, judiciary, civil society and mass media;

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 275, 6.10.2006, p. 65.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 46, 17.2.2009, p. 43.

- (e) encourage Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan to cooperate on regional issues of common interest;
- (f) develop appropriate contacts and cooperation with the main interested actors in the region, and all relevant regional and international organisations, including the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO), the Eurasian Economic Community (EURASEC), the Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia (CICA), the Collective Security Treaty Organisation (CSTO), the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Program (CAREC) and the Central Asian Regional Information and Coordination Centre (CARICC);
- (g) contribute to the implementation of the EU human rights policy and EU Guidelines on Human Rights, in particular with regard to women and children in conflict-affected areas, especially by monitoring and addressing developments in this regard;
- (h) contribute, in close cooperation with the OSCE, to conflict prevention and resolution by developing contacts with the authorities and other local actors (NGOs, political parties, minorities, religious groups and their leaders);
- (i) provide input to the formulation of energy security, anti-narcotics and water resource management aspects of the CFSP with respect to Central Asia.

2. The EUSR shall support the work of the HR and maintain an overview of all activities of the Union in the region.

Article 4

Implementation of the mandate

1. The EUSR shall be responsible for the implementation of the mandate acting under the authority of the HR.
2. The Political and Security Committee (PSC) shall maintain a privileged link with the EUSR and shall be the EUSR's primary point of contact with the Council. The PSC shall provide the EUSR with strategic guidance and political direction within the framework of the mandate, without prejudice to the powers of the HR.

Article 5

Financing

1. The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to the mandate of the EUSR in the period from 1 March 2010 to 31 August 2010 shall be EUR 800 000.

2. The expenditure financed by the amount stipulated in paragraph 1 shall be eligible as from 1 March 2010. The expenditure shall be managed in accordance with the procedures and rules applicable to the general budget of the Union.

3. The management of the expenditure shall be subject to a contract between the EUSR and the Commission. The EUSR shall be accountable to the Commission for all expenditure.

Article 6

Constitution and composition of the team

1. Within the limits of his mandate and the corresponding financial means made available, the EUSR shall be responsible for constituting his team. The team shall include the expertise on specific policy issues as required by the mandate. The EUSR shall keep the Council and the Commission promptly informed of the composition of his team.

2. Member States and institutions of the Union may propose the secondment of staff to work with the EUSR. The salary of personnel who are seconded by a Member State or an institution of the Union to the EUSR shall be covered by the Member State or the institution of the Union concerned respectively. Experts seconded by Member States to the General Secretariat of the Council may also be posted to the EUSR. International contracted staff shall have the nationality of a Member State.

3. All seconded personnel shall remain under the administrative authority of the sending Member State or Union institution and shall carry out their duties and act in the interest of the mandate of the EUSR.

Article 7

Privileges and immunities of the EUSR and his staff

The privileges, immunities and further guarantees necessary for the completion and smooth functioning of the mission of the EUSR and the members of his staff shall be agreed with the host party/parties as appropriate. Member States and the Commission shall grant all necessary support to such effect.

Article 8

Security of EU classified information

The EUSR and the members of his team shall respect the security principles and minimum standards established by Council Decision 2001/264/EC of 19 March 2001 adopting the Council's security regulations⁽¹⁾, in particular when managing EU classified information.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 101, 11.4.2001, p. 1.

*Article 9***Access to information and logistical support**

1. Member States, the Commission and the General Secretariat of the Council shall ensure that the EUSR is given access to any relevant information.
2. The Union delegations and/or Member States, as appropriate, shall provide logistical support in the region.

*Article 10***Security**

In accordance with the Union's policy on the security of personnel deployed outside the Union in an operational capacity under Title V of the Treaty, the EUSR shall take all reasonably practicable measures, in conformity with his mandate and the security situation in his geographical area of responsibility, for the security of all personnel under his direct authority, notably by:

- (a) establishing a mission-specific security plan based on guidance from the General Secretariat of the Council, including mission-specific physical, organisational and procedural security measures, governing management of the secure movement of personnel to, and within, the mission area, as well as management of security incidents and including a mission contingency and evacuation plan;
- (b) ensuring that all personnel deployed outside the Union are covered by high risk insurance as required by the conditions in the mission area;
- (c) ensuring that all members of his team to be deployed outside the Union, including locally contracted personnel, have received appropriate security training before or upon arriving in the mission area, based on the risk ratings assigned to the mission area by the General Secretariat of the Council;
- (d) ensuring that all agreed recommendations made following regular security assessments are implemented and providing the HR, the Council and the Commission with written reports on their implementation and on other security issues within the framework of the mid-term and mandate implementation reports.

*Article 11***Reporting**

The EUSR shall regularly provide the HR and the PSC with oral and written reports. The EUSR shall also report as necessary to Council working parties. Regular written reports shall be

circulated through the COREU network. Upon recommendation of the HR or the PSC, the EUSR may provide the Foreign Affairs Council with reports.

*Article 12***Coordination**

1. The EUSR shall promote overall Union political coordination. He shall help to ensure that all Union instruments in the field are engaged coherently to attain the Union's policy objectives. The activities of the EUSR shall be coordinated with those of the Commission, as well as those of the EUSR for Afghanistan. The EUSR shall provide regular briefings to Member States' missions and the Union's delegations.

2. In the field, close liaison shall be maintained with the Heads of the Union delegations and Member States' Heads of Mission. They shall make best efforts to assist the EUSR in the implementation of the mandate. The EUSR shall also liaise with other international and regional actors in the field.

*Article 13***Review**

The implementation of this Decision and its consistency with other contributions from the Union to the region shall be kept under regular review. The EUSR shall present the HR, the Council and the Commission with a mandate implementation report at the end of the mandate.

*Article 14***Entry into force**

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

It shall apply from 1 March 2010.

*Article 15***Publication**

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

Done at Brussels, 22 February 2010.

For the Council

The President

C. ASHTON

COUNCIL DECISION 2010/113/CFSP**of 22 February 2010****extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for the African Great Lakes Region**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union and, in particular, Articles 28, 31(2) and 33 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 15 February 2007, the Council adopted Joint Action 2007/112/CFSP ⁽¹⁾ appointing Mr Roeland VAN DE GEER European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for the African Great Lakes Region.
- (2) On 16 February 2009, the Council adopted Joint Action 2009/128/CFSP ⁽²⁾ amending and extending the mandate of the EUSR until 28 February 2010.
- (3) The mandate of the EUSR should be extended until 31 August 2010. However, the mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (HR) following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.
- (4) The EUSR will implement his mandate in the context of a situation which may deteriorate and could harm the Common Foreign and Security Policy objectives set out in Article 21 of the Treaty,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1***European Union Special Representative**

The mandate of Mr Roeland VAN DE GEER as the European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for the African Great Lakes Region is hereby extended until 31 August 2010. The mandate of the EUSR may be terminated earlier, if the Council so decides, on a recommendation of the HR following the entry into force of the decision establishing the European External Action Service.

*Article 2***Policy objectives**

The mandate of the EUSR shall be based on the policy objectives of the European Union (EU) regarding the further stabilisation

and consolidation of the post-conflict situation in the African Great Lakes Region, paying particular attention to the regional dimension of the developments in the countries concerned. These objectives, which promote, in particular, compliance with the basic norms of democracy and good governance, including respect for human rights and the rule of law, include:

- (a) contributing actively and effectively to a consistent, sustainable and responsible policy of the Union in the African Great Lakes Region, and promoting a coherent overall Union approach in the region. The EUSR shall support the work of the HR in the region;
- (b) ensuring the continued commitment of the Union to the stabilisation and reconstruction processes in the region, through an active presence on the ground and in relevant international fora, staying in touch with key players and contributing to crisis management;
- (c) contributing to the post-transition phase in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), in particular as regards the political process of consolidating the new institutions and defining a broader international framework for political consultation and coordination with the new government;
- (d) contributing, in close cooperation with the United Nations/MONUC, to the international support efforts to pursue a comprehensive Security Sector Reform in the DRC, in particular in view of the coordinating role the Union is ready to assume in this context;
- (e) contributing to appropriate follow-up measures to the International Conference of the Great Lakes Region, in particular by establishing close contacts with the Great Lakes Secretariat and its Executive Secretary as well as with the Troika of the follow-up mechanism and by promoting good neighbourly relations in the region;
- (f) addressing the still considerable problem of armed groups operating across the borders, which risks destabilising the countries in the region and aggravating their internal problems;
- (g) contributing to the post-conflict stabilisation in Burundi, Rwanda and Uganda, in particular through accompanying peace negotiations with armed groups such as the FNL and LRA.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 46, 16.2.2007, p. 79.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 46, 17.2.2009, p. 36.

*Article 3***Mandate**

In order to achieve the policy objectives, the mandate of the EUSR shall be to:

- (a) establish and maintain close contact with the countries of the Great Lakes Region, the United Nations, the African Union, key African countries and main partners of the DRC and the Union, as well as regional and sub-regional African organisations, other relevant third countries and other key regional leaders;
- (b) advise and report on the possibilities for the Union to support the stabilisation and consolidation process and on how best to pursue Union initiatives;
- (c) provide advice and assistance for security sector reform (SSR) in the DRC;
- (d) contribute to the follow-up to the International Conference of the Great Lakes Region, in particular by supporting policies, defined in the region, which pursue the objectives of non-violence and mutual defence in the resolution of conflicts as well as, regarding regional cooperation, by promoting human rights and democratisation, good governance, judicial cooperation, and the fight against impunity and the illegal exploitation of natural resources;
- (e) contribute to a better understanding of the role of the Union among opinion leaders in the region;
- (f) contribute, where requested, to the negotiation and implementation of peace and cease-fire agreements between the parties and engage with them diplomatically in the event of non-compliance with the terms of these agreements; in the context of the ongoing LRA negotiations, such activities should be pursued in close coordination with the EUSR for Sudan;
- (g) contribute to the implementation of the EU human rights policy and EU Guidelines on Human Rights, in particular the EU Guidelines on Children and Armed Conflict, and the EU policy regarding UN Security Council Resolution 1325 (2000) on Women, Peace and Security, including by monitoring and reporting on developments in this regard.

*Article 4***Implementation of the mandate**

1. The EUSR shall be responsible for the implementation of the mandate acting under the authority of the HR.
2. The Political and Security Committee (PSC) shall maintain a privileged link with the EUSR and shall be the EUSR's primary point of contact with the Council. The PSC shall provide the EUSR with strategic guidance and political direction within the framework of the mandate, without prejudice to the powers of the HR.

*Article 5***Financing**

1. The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to the mandate of the EUSR in the period from 1 March 2010 to 31 August 2010 shall be EUR 1 065 000.
2. The expenditure financed by the amount stipulated in paragraph 1 shall be eligible as from 1 March 2010. The expenditure shall be managed in accordance with the procedures and rules applicable to the general budget of the Union.
3. The management of the expenditure shall be subject to a contract between the EUSR and the Commission. The EUSR shall be accountable to the Commission for all expenditure.

*Article 6***Constitution and composition of the team**

1. Within the limits of his mandate and the corresponding financial means made available, the EUSR shall be responsible for constituting his team. The team shall include the expertise on specific policy issues as required by the mandate. The EUSR shall keep the Council and the Commission promptly informed of the composition of his team.
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- (a) establishing a mission-specific security plan based on guidance from the General Secretariat of the Council, including mission-specific physical, organisational and procedural security measures, governing management of the secure movement of personnel to, and within, the

mission area, as well as management of security incidents and including a mission contingency and evacuation plan;

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Article 12

Coordination

1. The EUSR shall promote coherence between Common Foreign and Security Policy/Common Security and Defence Policy actors and shall promote overall Union political coordination. The EUSR shall help to ensure that all Union instruments in the field are engaged coherently to attain the Union's policy objectives. The activities of the EUSR shall be coordinated with those of the Commission, as well as those of other EUSRs active in the region as appropriate. The EUSR shall provide Member States' missions and the Union delegations with regular briefings.

2. In the field, close liaison shall be maintained with the Heads of the Union delegations and Member States' Heads of Mission. They shall make best efforts to assist the EUSR in the implementation of the mandate. The EUSR shall also liaise with other international and regional actors in the field.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 101, 11.4.2001, p. 1.

3. The EUSR shall ensure consistency between the activities of the European Union mission to provide advice and assistance for security sector reform in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (EUSEC RD Congo) and the European Union police mission undertaken in the framework of reform of the security sector (SSR) and its interface with the system of justice in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (EUPOL RD Congo) and provide the Heads of these missions with local political guidance. The EUSR shall contribute to coordination with the other international players involved in security sector reform in the DRC. The EUSR and the Civilian Operation Commander shall consult each other as required.

Article 13

Review

The implementation of this Decision and its consistency with other contributions from the Union to the region shall be kept under regular review. The EUSR shall present the HR, the Council and the Commission with a mandate implementation report at the end of the mandate.

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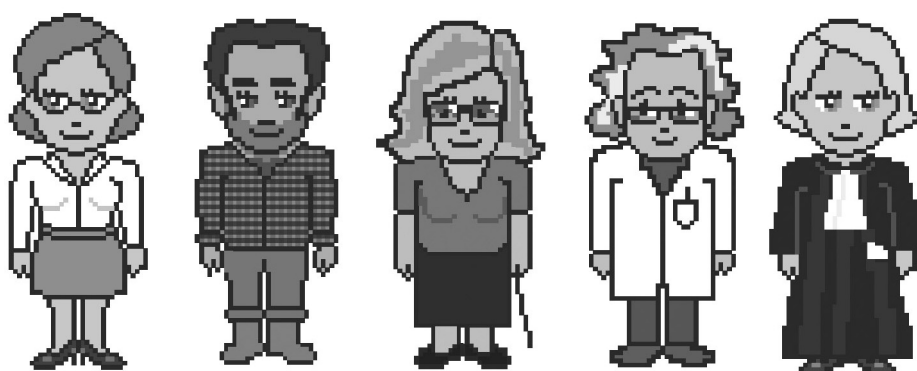
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