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COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2025/2578

of 15 December 2025

amending Decision (CFSP) 2020/489 appointing the European Union Special Representative for the Belgrade-Pristina Dialogue and other Western Balkan regional issues

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 33 in conjunction with Article 31(2) thereof,

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

Whereas:

- (1) On 2 April 2020, the Council agreed to appoint a European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for the Belgrade-Pristina Dialogue and other Western Balkan regional issues.
- (2) On 2 April 2020, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2020/489 ⁽¹⁾, which appointed Mr Miroslav LAJČÁK as the EUSR for the Belgrade-Pristina Dialogue and other Western Balkan regional issues.
- (3) The EUSR's mandate was extended by Council Decisions (CFSP) 2021/470 ⁽²⁾, (CFSP) 2022/1240 ⁽³⁾ and (CFSP) 2024/2085 ⁽⁴⁾.
- (4) Expenditure for the implementation of the EUSR's mandate exceeded the initially approved budget. It is therefore necessary to cover outstanding expenses in order to ensure the orderly closure of the mandate.
- (5) The financial reference amount for the period from 1 September 2022 to 31 January 2025 should be adjusted.
- (6) Decision (CFSP) 2020/489 should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

In Article 5(1) of Decision (CFSP) 2020/489, the third subparagraph is replaced by the following:

‘The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to the EUSR's mandate for the period from 1 September 2022 to 31 January 2025 shall be EUR 6 779 994,20.’

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2020/489 of 2 April 2020 appointing the European Union Special Representative for the Belgrade-Pristina Dialogue and other Western Balkan regional issues (OJ L 105, 3.4.2020, p. 3, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2020/489/oj>).

⁽²⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2021/470 of 18 March 2021 amending Decision (CFSP) 2020/489 appointing the European Union Special Representative for the Belgrade-Pristina Dialogue and other Western Balkan regional issues (OJ L 96, 19.3.2021, p. 13, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2021/470/oj>).

⁽³⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/1240 of 18 July 2022 amending Decision (CFSP) 2020/489 appointing the European Union Special Representative for the Belgrade-Pristina Dialogue and other Western Balkan regional issues (OJ L 190, 19.7.2022, p. 131, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2022/1240/oj>).

⁽⁴⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2024/2085 of 26 July 2024 extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for the Belgrade-Pristina Dialogue and other Western Balkan regional issues and amending Decision (CFSP) 2020/489 (OJ L, 2024/2085, 29.7.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2024/2085/oj>).

Article 2

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

Done at Brussels, 15 December 2025.

For the Council

The President

K. KALLAS
