

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2020/664**of 18 May 2020****amending Decision (CFSP) 2019/2110 on the European Union CSDP Advisory Mission in the Central African Republic (EUAM RCA)**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union and in particular Articles 42(4) and 43(2) thereof,

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

Whereas:

- (1) On 9 December 2019, the Council, by Decision (CFSP) 2019/2110, ⁽¹⁾ established the European Union CSDP Advisory Mission in the Central African Republic (EUAM RCA) with a mandate of two years from the launch of EUAM RCA.
- (2) A financial reference amount was set out for the six months from the adoption of Decision (CFSP) 2019/2110, that is, until 8 June 2020, during which the necessary preparations for EUAM RCA to reach its initial operating capability were to be carried out, in the expectation that a reference amount would be set for the remainder of the mandate upon the launch of EUAM RCA.
- (3) Under the current circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the launch of EUAM RCA requires further preparations.
- (4) On 16 April 2020, the Political and Security Committee agreed that the period of validity of the initial reference amount should therefore be extended by two months, that is, until 8 August 2020.
- (5) Decision (CFSP) 2019/2110 should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

In Article 13 of Decision (CFSP) 2019/2110, paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

‘1. The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to EUAM RCA for the period until 8 August 2020 shall be EUR 7 100 000. The financial reference amount for any subsequent period shall be decided by the Council.’

Article 2

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

Done at Brussels, 18 May 2020.

For the Council
The President
G. GRLIĆ RADMAN

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2110 of 9 December 2019 on the European Union CSDP Advisory Mission in the Central African Republic (EUAM RCA) (OJ L 318, 10.12.2019, p. 141).