

POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE DECISION (CFSP) 2023/219**of 31 January 2023****on the appointment of the Head of Mission of the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia
(EUMM Georgia) (EUMM Georgia/1/2023)**

THE POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular the third paragraph of Article 38 thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2010/452/CFSP of 12 August 2010 on the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia, EUMM Georgia ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 10(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 10(1) of Decision 2010/452/CFSP, the Political and Security Committee (PSC) is authorised, in accordance with the third paragraph of Article 38 of the Treaty, to take relevant decisions for the purpose of exercising the political control and strategic direction of the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia (EUMM Georgia), including the decision to appoint a Head of Mission.
- (2) On 11 February 2020, the PSC adopted Decision (CFSP) 2020/200 ⁽²⁾ appointing Mr Marek SZCZYGIEL as Head of Mission of EUMM Georgia from 15 March 2020 to 14 December 2020.
- (3) On 25 November 2021, the PSC adopted Decision (CFSP) 2021/2163 ⁽³⁾, extending the mandate of Mr Marek SZCZYGIEL as Head of Mission of EUMM Georgia from 15 December 2021 to 14 December 2022.
- (4) On 25 November 2022, Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/2318 ⁽⁴⁾ extended the mandate of EUMM Georgia until 14 December 2024.
- (5) On 25 January 2023, the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy proposed the appointment of Mr Dimitrios KARABALIS as Head of Mission of EUMM Georgia until 14 December 2023.
- (6) A decision on the appointment of Mr Dimitrios KARABALIS as Head of Mission of EUMM Georgia from 1 February 2023 to 14 December 2023 should therefore be taken,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Mr Dimitrios KARABALIS is hereby appointed as Head of Mission of the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia (EUMM Georgia) from 1 February 2023 until 14 December 2023.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 213, 13.8.2010, p. 43.

⁽²⁾ Political and Security Committee Decision (CFSP) 2020/200 of 11 February 2020 on the appointment of the Head of Mission of the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia (EUMM Georgia) and repealing Decision (CFSP) 2018/2075 (EUMM Georgia/1/2020) (OJ L 42, 14.2.2020, p. 15).

⁽³⁾ Political and Security Committee Decision (CFSP) 2021/2163 of 25 November 2021 extending the mandate of the Head of Mission of the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia (EUMM Georgia) (EUMM GEORGIA/1/2021) (OJ L 437, 7.12.2021, p. 3).

⁽⁴⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/2318 of 25 November 2022 amending Decision 2010/452/CFSP on the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia, EUMM Georgia (OJ L 307, 28.11.2022, p. 133).

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 February 2023.

Done at Brussels, 31 January 2023.

For the Political and Security Committee

The Chairperson

D. PRONK
