

POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE DECISION (CFSP) 2023/614**of 14 March 2023****on the appointment of the EU Mission Force Commander for the European Union military partnership mission in Niger (EUMPM Niger) (EUMPM Niger/1/2023)**

THE POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE,

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

Having regard to Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/2444 of 12 December 2022 on a European Union military partnership mission in Niger (EUMPM Niger) ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 5(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 5(1) of Decision (CFSP) 2022/2444, the Council authorised the Political and Security Committee (PSC) to take the relevant decisions concerning, *inter alia*, the appointment of the European Union military partnership mission in Niger (EUMPM Niger) Mission Force Commander (the 'EU Mission Force Commander').
- (2) On 2 February 2023, the Italian military authorities proposed the appointment of Colonel Antonio D'AGOSTINO as the first EU Mission Force Commander from 1 March 2023.
- (3) On 7 February 2023, the Mission Commander for EUMPM Niger supported this nomination.
- (4) On 10 February 2023, the European Union Military Committee agreed to recommend that the PSC appoint Colonel Antonio D'AGOSTINO as the EU Mission Force Commander from 1 March 2023.
- (5) A decision on the appointment of Colonel Antonio D'AGOSTINO should be taken,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Colonel Antonio D'AGOSTINO is hereby appointed as the EU Mission Force Commander of the European Union military partnership mission in Niger (EUMPM Niger) from 1 March 2023.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 March 2023.

Done at Brussels, 14 March 2023.

For the Political and Security Committee
The Chairperson
D. PRONK

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 319, 13.12.2022, p. 86.