

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2021/1991
of 15 November 2021
amending Decision (CFSP) 2020/1465 on a European Union action in support of the United Nations
Verification and Inspection Mechanism in Yemen (UNVIM)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union and in particular Article 28(1) thereof,

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

Whereas:

- (1) On 18 September 2018, based on a request by the United Nations Verification and Inspection Mechanism (UNVIM), the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2018/1249 ⁽¹⁾ on a European Union action in support of UNVIM.
- (2) On 12 October 2020, based on a request by UNVIM, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2020/1465 ⁽²⁾ and renewed the EU action in support of UNVIM for a period of 12 months.
- (3) United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 2586 (2021) extended and adapted the mandate of the United Nations Mission to support the Hodeidah Agreement (UNMHA) in order to support the implementation of the agreement on the City of Hodeidah and the ports of Hodeidah, Saleef and Ras Issa set out in the Stockholm Agreement concluded on 13 December 2018 by the parties to the conflict in Yemen, and endorsed by UNSCR 2451 (2018) and UNSCR 2452 (2019).
- (4) UNVIM requested further support from the Union for one year, consisting of the extension until 28 February 2022 of the period during which the contribution granted under Decision (CFSP) 2020/1465 may be used, and an additional contribution for the period from 1 March 2022 until 30 September 2022.
- (5) In order to fulfil its mandate, UNVIM has deployed to locations in countries neighbouring Yemen, in particular Djibouti and Saudi Arabia.
- (6) The Union should renew for one year and adapt its support to UNVIM for the implementation of its mandate,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Decision (CFSP) 2020/1465 is hereby amended as follows:

(1) Article 1(3) is amended as follows:

(a) the first subparagraph is replaced by the following:

‘3. The Union shall support through this Decision the Office of the Special Envoy of the UN Secretary General for Yemen and UNMHA with regard to the deployment of UNVIM in the ports of Hodeidah, Saleef and Ras Issa and in other locations in countries neighbouring Yemen, as necessary for the implementation of UNVIM. For that purpose, the Union shall contribute to costs associated with the reinforcement of UNVIM, and thereby help to respond to the needs of the Yemeni population as part of a broader humanitarian strategy.’;

(b) the second subparagraph is deleted;

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2018/1249 of 18 September 2018 on a European Union action in support of the United Nations Verification and Inspection Mechanism in Yemen (OJ L 235, 19.9.2018, p. 14).

⁽²⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2020/1465 of 12 October 2020 on a European Union action in support of the United Nations Verification and Inspection Mechanism in Yemen (OJ L 335, 13.10.2020, p. 13).

(2) in Article 3, paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

'1. The financial reference amounts for the implementation of the project referred to in Article 1 shall be EUR 2 059 838 for the period from 1 October 2020 until 28 February 2022, and EUR 2 200 000 for the period from 1 March 2022 until 30 September 2022. The Council shall review this reference amount by 1 March 2022 based, *inter alia*, on the absorption rate and on a needs assessment by the Commission.;

(3) in Article 5, the last sentence is replaced by the following:

'It shall expire on 30 September 2022.;

(4) the Annex is deleted.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 October 2021.

Done at Brussels, 15 November 2021.

For the Council
The President
J. BORRELL FONTELLES
