

**COUNCIL DECISION 2003/682/CFSP
of 29 September 2003**

**concerning the appointment of the Head of Mission/Police Commissioner of the European Union
Police Mission (EUPOL) in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 23(2) thereof,

Having regard to Joint Action 2003/681/CFSP of 29 September 2003 on the European Union Police Mission in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (EUPOL 'Proxima') ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 5 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 5 of Joint Action 2003/681/CFSP provides that the Council, upon a proposal by the Secretary-General/High Representative, should appoint a Head of Mission/Police Commissioner.
- (2) The Secretary-General/High Representative has proposed the appointment of Mr Bart D'HOOGE,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Mr Bart D'HOOGE is hereby appointed Head of Mission/Police Commissioner of the EUPOL 'Proxima' as from 15 December 2003. Until that date, he shall act as the Police Head of Mission/Head of the Planning Team.

Article 2

This Decision shall take effect on the day of its adoption.

It shall apply until 14 December 2004.

Article 3

This Decision shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 29 September 2003.

For the Council
The President
F. FRATTINI

⁽¹⁾ See page 66 of this Official Journal.