

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2021/1798
of 7 October 2021
extending the term of office of the Executive Director of Europol

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2016/794 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2016 on the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol) and replacing and repealing Council Decisions 2009/371/JHA, 2009/934/JHA, 2009/935/JHA, 2009/936/JHA and 2009/968/JHA ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 54(3) to (5) thereof,

Acting as the authority vested with the power to appoint the Executive Director of Europol,

Having regard to the proposal from the Management Board of Europol of 15 March 2021,

Whereas:

- (1) Ms Catherine DE BOLLE was appointed Executive Director of Europol by Council Decision of 8 March 2018 ⁽²⁾. The term of office of Ms Catherine DE BOLLE is due to expire on 1 May 2022.
- (2) The Executive Director of Europol is appointed for a four-year period, extendable once in accordance with Article 54(4) of Regulation (EU) 2016/794.
- (3) The decision of the Management Board of Europol of 1 May 2017 sets out the procedure for the extension of the term of office of the Executive Director of Europol.
- (4) The Management Board informed the European Parliament that it would propose to the Council that Ms Catherine DE BOLLE's term of office be extended.
- (5) The Management Board proposed to the Council that the term of office of the Executive Director of Europol, Ms Catherine DE BOLLE, be extended.
- (6) On the basis of that proposal, the Council wishes to extend the term of office of Ms Catherine DE BOLLE as Executive Director of Europol,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The term of office of Ms Catherine DE BOLLE as Executive Director of Europol is hereby extended from 2 May 2022 to 1 May 2026 at grade AD 16.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Luxembourg, 7 October 2021.

For the Council
The President
M. DIKAUČIČ

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 135, 24.5.2016, p. 53.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 122, 9.4.2018, p. 1.