

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2022/1238**of 18 July 2022****extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for the Horn of Africa and amending Decision (CFSP) 2021/1012**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 33 and Article 31(2) thereof,

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

Whereas:

- (1) On 8 December 2011, the Council agreed to appoint a European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for the Horn of Africa.
- (2) On 21 June 2021, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2021/1012⁽¹⁾ appointing Ms Annette WEBER as the EUSR for the Horn of Africa. The EUSR's mandate is to expire on 31 August 2022.
- (3) The EUSR's mandate should be extended for a further period of 24 months and a new financial reference amount for the period from 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2024 should be established.
- (4) The EUSR will implement the mandate in the context of a situation which may deteriorate and could impede the achievement of the objectives of the Union's external action as set out in Article 21 of the Treaty,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The mandate of Ms Annette WEBER as the European Union Special Representative (EUSR) for the Horn of Africa is extended until 31 August 2024. The Council may decide that the mandate of the EUSR be terminated earlier, based on an assessment by the Political and Security Committee and a proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy.

Article 2

Decision (CFSP) 2021/1012 is amended as follows:

- (1) in Article 5(1), the following subparagraph is added:

‘The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to the EUSR's mandate for the period from 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2024 shall be EUR 4 744 381,14.’;

- (2) in Article 14, the second sentence is replaced by the following:

‘The EUSR shall present the Council, the HR and the Commission with regular progress reports and a final comprehensive mandate implementation report by 31 May 2024.’

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2021/1012 of 21 June 2021 appointing the European Union Special Representative for the Horn of Africa (OJ L 222, 22.6.2021, p. 27).

Article 3

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

Done at Brussels, 18 July 2022.

For the Council

The President

J. BORRELL FONTELLES
