

*(Acts adopted under Title V of the Treaty on European Union)*

**COUNCIL JOINT ACTION 2006/1002/CFSP**

**of 21 December 2006**

**amending Joint Action 2001/554/CFSP  
on the establishment of a European Union Institute  
for Security Studies**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 14 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) On 20 July 2001, the Council adopted Joint Action 2001/554/CFSP on the establishment of a European Union Institute for Security Studies<sup>1</sup>.
- (2) On 28 July 2006, pursuant to Article 19 of that Joint Action, the Secretary-General/High Representative presented a report on the implementation of the Joint Action with a view to its possible review.
- (3) On 22 September 2006, the Political and Security Committee (PSC), in its role of exercising political supervision over the activities of the Institute, took note of that report and recommended that the Council amend the Joint Action as appropriate in the light thereof.
- (4) Joint Action 2001/554/CFSP should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS JOINT ACTION:

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 200, 25.7.2001, p. 1.

*Article 1*

Joint Action 2001/554/CFSP is hereby amended as follows:

- 1) Article 2 shall be replaced by the following:

"Article 2

Mission

The Institute shall contribute to the development of the CFSP, in particular the ESDP, in coherence with the European Security Strategy. To that end, it shall conduct academic research and policy analysis, organise seminars and carry out information and communication activities in that field. The Institute's work shall *inter alia* contribute to the transatlantic dialogue. It shall involve a network of exchanges with other research institutes and think-tanks both inside and outside the European Union. The Institute's output shall be distributed as widely as possible, except as regards classified information, to which the Council's security regulations adopted by Decision 2001/264/EC<sup>1</sup> shall apply.";

- 2) Article 5(5) shall be replaced by the following:

"5. Decisions of the Board shall be taken on a vote by the representatives of the Member States by qualified majority, the votes being weighted in accordance with the third subparagraph of Article 23(2) of the Treaty, without prejudice to Article 12(2) of this Joint Action. The Board shall adopt its rules of procedure.";

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 101, 11.4.2001, p. 1. Decision as last amended by Decision 2005/952/EC (OJ L 346, 29.12.2005, p. 18).

3) In Article 6, the following paragraph 3a shall be inserted:

"3a. If the Board so decides, taking into account the financial implications, following the adoption of the annual budget by unanimity of the representatives of the Member States, the Director may be assisted by a Deputy Director, in particular in the execution of the tasks of the Institute in accordance with Article 2.

The Director shall appoint the Deputy Director after approval by the Board. The Deputy Director shall be appointed for a period of three years, with the possible extension of one three year term.";

4) Article 7 shall be replaced by the following:

"Article 7

Staff

1. The staff of the Institute, consisting of researchers and administrative staff, shall have the status of contract staff members and shall be recruited from among nationals of the Member States.
2. The Institute's researchers and the Deputy Director shall be recruited on the basis of merit and academic expertise with regard to the CFSP and, in particular, the ESDP, through fair and transparent competition procedures.";

5) Article 10 shall be replaced by the following:

"Article 10

Work programme

1. By 30 September each year, the Director shall establish a draft annual work programme for the following year, accompanied by indicative long-term perspectives for the following years, and shall submit it to the Board.
2. By 30 November of each year, the Board shall approve the annual work programme.";

6) Article 11(3) shall be replaced by the following:

- "3. The income of the Institute shall consist of contributions from the Member States according to the gross national income (GNI) scale. With the agreement of the Director, additional contributions may be accepted from individual Member States or from other sources for specific activities.";

7) Article 12 shall be replaced by the following:

"Article 12

Budgetary procedure

1. By 30 September each year, the Director shall submit to the Board an annual draft budget for the Institute covering administrative expenditure, operational expenditure and expected income for the following financial year.

2. By 30 November of each year, the Board shall approve the annual budget of the Institute by unanimity of the representatives of the Member States.
3. In the case of unavoidable, exceptional or unforeseen circumstances, the Director may propose a draft amending budget to the Board. The Board, with due regard to any urgency, shall approve the amending budget by unanimity of the representatives of the Member States.";

8) Article 17 shall be replaced by the following:

"Article 17

Secondment

1. Visiting researchers may for limited time periods be seconded to the Institute by Member States and third states, with the agreement of the Director, to participate in the activities of the Institute in accordance with Article 2.
2. With the agreement of the Director, experts from Member States and officials from EU institutions or agencies may be seconded to the Institute for a fixed period, either to posts within the Institute's organisational structure or for specific tasks and projects.
3. Staff members may be seconded for a fixed period in the interest of the service to a post outside the Institute, in accordance with the provisions relating to the staff of the Institute.

4. The provisions relating to secondment shall be adopted by the Board on a proposal from the Director.";

9) The following Article shall be inserted:

"Article 18 a

Association of the Commission

The Commission shall be closely associated with the work of the Institute. The Institute shall, as necessary, establish working relations with the Commission with a view to exchanging expertise and advice in areas of mutual interest.";

10) Article 19 shall be replaced by the following:

"Article 19

Reporting

By 31 July 2011 at the latest, the SG/HR shall present a report to the Council on the functioning of the Institute accompanied, if necessary, by appropriate recommendations with a view to its further development.";

11) Article 20(1), (2), (4) and (5) shall be deleted.

*Article 2*

This Joint Action shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.

*Article 3*

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

Done at Brussels, 21 December 2006.

*For the Council*

*The President*

J. KORKEAOJA

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