

**COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2022/2270****of 18 November 2022****amending Decision (CFSP) 2019/2108 in support of strengthening biological safety and security in Latin America in line with the implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1540 (2004) on non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and their means of delivery**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Articles 28(1) and 31(1) thereof,

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

Whereas:

- (1) On 9 December 2019, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2019/2108 <sup>(1)</sup> which provides for a 36-month implementation period from the date of the conclusion of the financing agreement referred to in Article 3(3) of that Decision for the projects referred to in Article 1 thereof.
- (2) The implementation period of the agreement ends on 20 December 2022.
- (3) On 12 September 2022, the Executive Secretary of the Inter-American Committee against Terrorism of the Organisation of American States (OAS/CICTE), which is responsible for the technical implementation of the projects referred to in Article 1 of Decision (CFSP) 2019/2108, requested a 14-month no-cost extension of the implementation period of that Decision. This extension allows the OAS/CICTE to carry out the implementation of several of the projects referred to in Article 1 of Decision 2019/2108 the implementation of which was negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (4) The extension of the implementation period of the projects referred to in Article 1 of Decision (CFSP) 2019/2108 until 20 February 2024 does not have any implication as regards financial resources.
- (5) Decision 2019/2108 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Article 5(2) of Decision (CFSP) 2019/2108 is replaced by the following:

- ‘2. This Decision shall expire on 20 February 2024.’

*Article 2*

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

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<sup>(1)</sup> Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2108 of 9 December 2019 in support of strengthening biological safety and security in Latin America in line with the implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1540 (2004) on non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and their means of delivery (OJ L 318, 10.12.2019, p. 123).

Done at Brussels, 18 November 2022.

*For the Council*  
*The President*  
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