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**POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE DECISION (CFSP) 2024/1017
of 26 March 2024**

**on the appointment of the Head of Mission of the European Union Capacity Building Mission in
Somalia (EUCAP Somalia) (EUCAP Somalia/1/2024)**

THE POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 38, third paragraph, thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2012/389/CFSP of 16 July 2012 on the European Union Capacity Building Mission in Somalia (EUCAP Somalia) ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 9(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 9(1) of Decision 2012/389/CFSP, the Political and Security Committee (PSC) is authorised, in accordance with Article 38, third paragraph, of the Treaty, to take the relevant decisions for the purpose of exercising the political control and strategic direction of the European Union Capacity Building Mission in Somalia (EUCAP Somalia), including the decision to appoint a Head of Mission.
- (2) On 12 December 2022, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2022/2445 ⁽²⁾, extending the mandate of EUCAP Somalia from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2024.
- (3) On 13 December 2022, the PSC adopted Decision (CFSP) 2022/2538 ⁽³⁾, appointing Mr Kauko AALTOMAA as Head of Mission of EUCAP Somalia from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023.
- (4) On 21 November 2023, the PSC adopted Decision (CFSP) 2023/2655 ⁽⁴⁾, extending the mandate of Mr Kauko AALTOMAA as Head of Mission of EUCAP Somalia from 1 January 2024 to 30 April 2024.
- (5) On 19 March 2024, the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy proposed the appointment of Mr Kęstutis LANČINSKAS as Head of Mission of EUCAP Somalia from 1 May 2024 to 31 December 2024,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Mr Kęstutis LANČINSKAS is hereby appointed as Head of Mission of the European Union Capacity Building Mission in Somalia (EUCAP Somalia) from 1 May 2024 to 31 December 2024.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 May 2024.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 187, 17.7.2012, p. 40.

⁽²⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/2445 of 12 December 2022 amending Decision 2012/389/CFSP on the European Union Capacity Building Mission in Somalia (EUCAP Somalia) (OJ L 319, 13.12.2022, p. 91).

⁽³⁾ Political and Security Committee Decision (CFSP) 2022/2538 of 13 December 2022 on the appointment of the Head of Mission of the European Union Capacity Building Mission in Somalia (EUCAP Somalia) (EUCAP Somalia/1/2022) (OJ L 328, 22.12.2022, p. 98).

⁽⁴⁾ Political and Security Committee Decision (CFSP) 2023/2655 of 21 November 2023 extending the mandate of the Head of Mission of the European Union Capacity Building Mission in Somalia (EUCAP Somalia) (EUCAP Somalia/1/2023) (OJ L, 2023/2655, 24.11.2023, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2023/2655/oj>).

Done at Brussels, 26 March 2024.

For the Political and Security Committee
The Chairperson
D. PRONK
