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(Acts adopted under the EU Treaty)

### ACTS ADOPTED UNDER TITLE V OF THE EU TREATY

# COUNCIL JOINT ACTION 2008/796/CFSP of 13 October 2008

## amending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for the South Caucasus

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

1. In Article 3, a new paragraph shall be inserted:

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Articles 14, 18(5) and 23(2) thereof,

'(d)a provide the Head of the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia (EUMM Georgia) with local political guidance;'.

Whereas:

- 2. Article 12 shall be replaced by the following:
- (1) On 18 February 2008, the Council adopted Joint Action 2008/132/CFSP amending and extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for the South Caucasus (1).
- (2) On 15 September 2008, the Council adopted Joint Action 2008/736/CFSP on the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia, EUMM Georgia (2).
- On 25 September 2008, the Council adopted Joint (3) Action 2008/760/CFSP appointing a European Union Special Representative in Georgia (3),

HAS ADOPTED THIS JOINT ACTION:

#### Article 1

Joint Action 2008/132/CFSP is amended as follows:

#### 'Article 12

#### Coordination

- The EUSR shall promote overall EU political coordination. He shall help to ensure that all EU instruments in the field are engaged coherently to attain the EU's policy objectives. The activities of the EUSR shall be coordinated with those of the Presidency and the Commission, as well as those of other EUSRs active in the region, and in particular the EUSR in Georgia, while taking into account the specific objectives of the latter's mandate. The EUSR shall provide Member States' missions and the Commission's delegations with regular briefings.
- In the field, close liaison shall be maintained with the Presidency, Commission and Member States' Heads of Mission. They shall make best efforts to assist the EUSR in the implementation of the mandate. The EUSR shall provide the Head of the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia (EUMM Georgia) with local political guidance. The EUSR and the Civilian Operations Commander shall consult each other as required. The EUSR shall also liaise with other international and regional actors in the field.'.

#### Article 2

#### Entry into force

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

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 43, 19.2.2008, p. 30.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 248, 17.9.2008, p. 26. (3) OJ L 259, 27.9.2008, p. 16.

## Article 3

### **Publication**

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

Done at Luxembourg, 13 October 2008.

For the Council The President B. KOUCHNER