

**POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE DECISION (CFSP) 2019/1991****of 28 November 2019****on the appointment of the Head of Mission of the European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo (\*)  
(EULEX KOSOVO) (EULEX KOSOVO/2/2019)**

THE POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE,

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

Having regard to Council Joint Action 2008/124/CFSP of 4 February 2008 on the European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo, EULEX KOSOVO <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 12(2) thereof,

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

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 12(2) of Joint Action 2008/124/CFSP, the Political and Security Committee (PSC) is authorised, in accordance with the third paragraph of Article 38 of the Treaty, to take the relevant decisions for the purpose of exercising political control and strategic direction of the European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo (EULEX KOSOVO), including the decision to appoint a Head of Mission.
- (2) On 8 June 2018, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2018/856 <sup>(2)</sup> amending Joint Action 2008/124/CFSP and extending the duration of EULEX KOSOVO until 14 June 2020.
- (3) On 29 May 2019, the PSC adopted Decision (CFSP) 2019/908 <sup>(3)</sup>, extending the mandate of Ms Alexandra PAPADOPOULOU as Head of Mission of EULEX KOSOVO for the period from 15 June 2019 to 31 December 2019, with the understanding that this was a temporary extension until a new Head of Mission would be appointed.
- (4) On 6 November 2019, the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy proposed the appointment of Mr Lars-Gunnar WIGEMARK as Head of Mission of EULEX KOSOVO from 1 December 2019 until 14 June 2020.
- (5) Decision (CFSP) 2019/908 should therefore be repealed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Mr Lars-Gunnar WIGEMARK is hereby appointed as Head of Mission of the European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo (EULEX KOSOVO) for the period from 1 December 2019 until 14 June 2020.

*Article 2*

Decision (CFSP) 2019/908 is hereby repealed.

(\*) This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 (1999) and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 42, 16.2.2008, p. 92.

<sup>(2)</sup> Council Decision (CFSP) 2018/856 of 8 June 2018 amending Joint Action 2008/124/CFSP on the European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo (EULEX KOSOVO) (OJ L 146, 11.6.2018, p. 5).

<sup>(3)</sup> Political and Security Committee Decision (CFSP) 2019/908 of 29 May 2019 extending the mandate of the Head of Mission of the European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo (EULEX KOSOVO) (EULEX KOSOVO/1/2019) (OJ L 145, 4.6.2019, p. 19).

*Article 3*

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

Done at Brussels, 28 November 2019.

*For the Political and Security Committee*  
*The Chairperson*  
S. FROM-EMMESBERGER

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