

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2023/2095**of 28 September 2023****amending Decision (CFSP) 2020/1465 on a European Union action in support of the United Nations Verification and Inspection Mechanism in Yemen (UNVIM)**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

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

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

Whereas:

- (1) On 18 September 2018, based on a request by the United Nations Verification and Inspection Mechanism (UNVIM), the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2018/1249 ⁽¹⁾ on a European Union action in support of UNVIM.
- (2) On 12 October 2020, based on a request by UNVIM, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2020/1465 ⁽²⁾ and renewed Union action in support of UNVIM for a period of 12 months.
- (3) On 15 November 2021, based on another request by UNVIM, the Council amended Decision (CFSP) 2020/1465 by means of Decision (CFSP) 2021/1991 ⁽³⁾ in order to extend Union action in support of UNVIM for a period of 12 months, until 30 September 2022.
- (4) On 29 September 2022, based on a request by UNVIM, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2022/1682 ⁽⁴⁾ and extended Union action in support of UNVIM for a period of 12 months, until 30 September 2023.
- (5) On 12 December 2022, the Council in its conclusions on Yemen reaffirmed the Union's principled commitment to the unity, sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity of Yemen, and to supporting United Nations peace efforts and United Nations Special Envoy in mediation efforts. In this context, the Union reiterated its full support for UNVIM, pledged to continue its financial contributions and encouraged other donors to also provide support. The Union furthermore called on the Government of Yemen and the coalition to support UNVIM to carry its operational inspection and verification activities in Hodeidah, Jeddah and King Abdullah Port.
- (6) On 10 July 2023, the United Nations Security Council Resolution UNSCR 2691 (2023) extended the mandate of the United Nations Mission to support the Hodeidah Agreement in order to support implementation of the agreement on the City of Hodeidah and the ports of Hodeidah, Saleef and Ras Issa set out in the Stockholm Agreement concluded on 13 December 2018 by the parties to the conflict in Yemen and endorsed by UNSCR 2451 (2018) and UNSCR 2452 (2019).
- (7) UNVIM requested further support from the Union for one year.
- (8) The Union should renew its support to UNVIM for one year for the implementation of its mandate.
- (9) A new financial reference amount should therefore be added to cover the period from 1 October 2023 until 30 September 2024,

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2018/1249 of 18 September 2018 on a European Union action in support of the United Nations Verification and Inspection Mechanism in Yemen (OJ L 235, 19.9.2018, p. 14).

⁽²⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2020/1465 of 12 October 2020 on a European Union action in support of the United Nations Verification and Inspection Mechanism in Yemen (OJ L 335 13.10.2020, p. 13).

⁽³⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2021/1991 of 15 November 2021 amending Decision (CFSP) 2020/1465 on a European Union action in support of the United Nations Verification and Inspection Mechanism in Yemen (UNVIM) (OJ L 405, 16.11.2021, p. 12).

⁽⁴⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/1682 of 29 September 2022 amending Decision (CFSP) 2020/1465 on a European Union action in support of the United Nations Verification and Inspection Mechanism in Yemen (OJ L 252, 30.9.2022, p. 76).

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Decision (CFSP) 2020/1465 is hereby amended as follows:

(1) in Article 3, paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

- ‘1. The financial reference amount for the implementation of the project referred to in Article 1 shall be:
- EUR 2 059 838 for the period from 1 October 2020 until 28 February 2022,
 - EUR 2 200 000 for the period from 1 March 2022 until 30 September 2022,
 - EUR 2 200 000 for the period from 1 October 2022 until 30 September 2023,
 - EUR 2 200 000 for the period from 1 October 2023 until 30 September 2024.’;

(2) in Article 5, the third paragraph is replaced by the following:

‘It shall expire on 30 September 2024.’.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 1 October 2023.

Done at Brussels, 28 September 2023.

For the Council

The President

F. GRANDE-MARLASKA GÓMEZ
