

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2021/1066**of 28 June 2021****amending Decision 2013/354/CFSP on the European Union Police Mission for the Palestinian Territories (EUPOL COPPS)**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 42(4) and Article 43(2) thereof,

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

Whereas:

- (1) On 3 July 2013, the Council adopted Decision 2013/354/CFSP ⁽¹⁾, which continued EUPOL COPPS as from 1 July 2013.
- (2) On 29 June 2020, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2020/902 ⁽²⁾ amending Decision 2013/354/CFSP and extending it from 1 July 2020 until 30 June 2021.
- (3) On 4 March 2021, in the context of the Strategic Review of EUPOL COPPS, the Political and Security Committee (PSC) agreed that EUPOL COPPS should be extended for a further period of 24 months, until 30 June 2023.
- (4) On 1 June 2021, the PSC further noted that, taking into account information provided by Israel and the Palestinian Authority, EUPOL COPPS should at this stage be extended by one year, until 30 June 2022.
- (5) Decision 2013/354/CFSP should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (6) EUPOL COPPS will be conducted in the context of a situation which may deteriorate and could impede the achievement of the objectives of the Union's external action as set out in Article 21 of the Treaty,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Decision 2013/354/CFSP is amended as follows:

- (1) in Article 12(1), the following subparagraph is added:

‘The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to EUPOL COPPS for the period from 1 July 2021 until 30 June 2022 shall be EUR 12 600 000.’;

- (2) in Article 15, the third paragraph is replaced by the following:

‘It shall expire on 30 June 2022.’.

Article 2

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

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision 2013/354/CFSP of 3 July 2013 on the European Union Police Mission for the Palestinian Territories (EUPOL COPPS) (OJ L 185, 4.7.2013, p. 12).

⁽²⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2020/902 of 29 June 2020 amending Decision 2013/354/CFSP on the European Union Police Mission for the Palestinian Territories (EUPOL COPPS) (OJ L 207, 30.6.2020, p. 30).

It shall apply from 1 July 2021.

Done at Luxembourg, 28 June 2021.

For the Council
The President
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