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COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2024/...

of ...

**on the conclusion of the Agreement
between the European Union and the Republic of Serbia
on operational activities carried out
by the European Border and Coast Guard Agency
in the Republic of Serbia**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 77(2), points (b) and (d), and Article 79(2), point (c), in conjunction with Article 218(6), point (a), thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Having regard to the consent of the European Parliament¹,

¹ Consent of ... (not yet published in the Official Journal).

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Council Decision (EU) 2024/...²⁺, the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Serbia on operational activities carried out by the European Border and Coast Guard Agency in the Republic of Serbia (the ‘Agreement’) was signed on ..., subject to its conclusion at a later date.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 73(3) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1896 of the European Parliament and of the Council³, in circumstances requiring the deployment of border management teams from the standing corps of the European Border and Coast Guard to a third country where the members of the teams will exercise executive powers, a status agreement is to be concluded by the Union with the third country concerned on the basis of Article 218 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.
- (3) This Decision constitutes a development of the provisions of the Schengen *acquis* in which Ireland does not take part, in accordance with Council Decision 2002/192/EC⁴; Ireland is therefore not taking part in the adoption of this Decision and is not bound by it nor subject to its application.

² Council Decision (EU) 2024/... of ... on the signing, on behalf of the Union, of the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Serbia on operational activities carried out by the European Border and Coast Guard Agency in the Republic of Serbia (OJ L, ..., ELI: ...).

⁺ OJ: please insert the number and date of adoption for the Decision contained in document ST 8440/24 and complete the corresponding footnote.

³ Regulation (EU) 2019/1896 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 November 2019 on the European Border and Coast Guard and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1052/2013 and (EU) 2016/1624 (OJ L 295, 14.11.2019, p. 1).

⁴ Council Decision 2002/192/EC of 28 February 2002 concerning Ireland’s request to take part in some of the provisions of the Schengen *acquis* (OJ L 64, 7.3.2002, p. 20).

- (4) In accordance with Articles 1 and 2 of Protocol No 22 on the position of Denmark, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Denmark is not taking part in the adoption of this Decision and is not bound by it or subject to its application. Given that this Decision builds upon the Schengen *acquis*, Denmark shall, in accordance with Article 4 of that Protocol, decide within a period of six months after the Council has decided on this Decision whether it will implement it in its national law.
- (5) The Agreement should be approved.
- (6) In accordance with the Treaties, the Commission should make the notification provided for in Article 22(1) of the Agreement,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Serbia on operational activities carried out by the European Border and Coast Guard Agency in the Republic of Serbia ('the Agreement') is hereby approved on behalf of the Union⁵.

Article 2

The Commission shall proceed, on behalf of the Union, to make the notification provided for in Article 22(1) of the Agreement, in order to express the consent of the Union to be bound by the Agreement⁶.

Article 3

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

Done at ...,

For the Council

The President

⁵ The text of the Agreement is published in ... [OJ: please insert publication details for the Agreement contained in document ST 8447/24].

⁶ The date of entry into force of the Agreement will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* by the General Secretariat of the Council.