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PROPOSAL

From: Secretary-General of the European Commission, signed by Ms Martine DEPREZ, Director

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To: Ms Thérèse BLANCHET, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union

Subject: Proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy to the Council for a Council Decision amending Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/667 on an assistance measure taking the form of a general programme for support to the African Union under the European Peace Facility for the period 2022-2024

Delegations will find attached document HR(2023) 223.

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**Proposal from the High Representative of the Union
for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy to the Council**

of 12/10/2023

**for a Council Decision amending Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/667 on an
assistance measure taking the form of a general programme for support to
the African Union under the European Peace Facility for the period 2022-2024**

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

On 18 October 2023, the Political and Security Committee (PSC) approved the replacement of Swiss non-governmental organisation by French operator DCI Group as implementing actor for part of an action in support to the Multi-National Joint Task Force against Boko Haram (MNJTF) financed under the assistance measure taking the form of a general programme for support to the African Union under the European Peace Facility for the period 2022-2024, pending the relevant amendment of Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/667 establishing said assistance measure.

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Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION

amending Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/667 on an assistance measure taking the form of a general programme for support to the African Union under the European Peace Facility for the period 2022-2024

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Articles 28(1) and 41(2) thereof,

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

Whereas:

- (1) On 18 January 2023, the Political and Security Committee approved a recommendation by the High Representative for an action in support to the Multi-National Joint Task Force against Boko Haram (MNJTF) to be financed under the assistance measure taking the form of a general programme for support to the African Union under the European Peace Facility for the period 2022-2024.
- (2) On 7 March 2023, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2023/510¹ amending Decision (CFSP) 2022/667, which added the Swiss non-governmental organisation COGINTA on the list of entities that can fully or partially implement actions under the assistance measure taking the form of a general programme for support to the African Union under the European Peace Facility for the period 2022-2024.
- (3) On 18 October 2023, the Political and Security Committee approved a recommendation by the High Representative to replace Swiss non-governmental organisation COGINTA by French operator Défense Conseil International (DCI Group) as implementing actor for part of the action in support to the MNJTF.
- (4) The list of entities that may fully or partially implement actions under the assistance measure taking the form of a general programme for support to the African Union under the European Peace Facility for the period 2022-2024 in Decision (CFSP) 2022/667 should include DCI Group.
- (5) Decision (CFSP) 2022/667 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

In the Annex, the text is replaced by the following:

¹ Council Decision (CFSP) 2023/510 of 7 March 2023 amending Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/667 on an assistance measure taking the form of a general programme for support to the African Union under the European Peace Facility for the period 2022-2024.

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“List of Member State ministries, government departments, and other public law bodies and agencies, and bodies governed by private law with a public service mission that have been provided with adequate financial guarantees, that may fully or partially implement actions under the Assistance Measure ⁽²⁾:

- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit
- Expertise France
- Défense Conseil International (DCI Group)

List of non-profit entities that may fully or partially implement actions under the Assistance Measure:

- COGINTA”

Article 2

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President

² This list only relates to the assistance measure established by this Decision, and does not preclude the possibility that other entities may be designated for future assistance measures, including those taking the form of a general programme.