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Subject: COUNCIL DECISION amending Decision (CFSP) 2020/732 in support of the UN Secretary-General's Mechanism for investigation of alleged use of chemical and biological or toxin weapons

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2023/.../

of ...

amending Decision (CFSP) 2020/732

**in support of the UN Secretary-General's Mechanism for investigation
of alleged use of chemical and biological or toxin weapons**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Articles 28(1) and 31(1) thereof,

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

Whereas

- (1) On 2 June 2020, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2020/732¹, which provided for a 36-month period, commencing on the date of the conclusion of the agreement referred to in Article 3(3) of that Decision, for the implementation of the projects referred to in Article 1 thereof (the ‘implementation period’).
- (2) The implementation period was to end on 14 December 2023.
- (3) On 22 September 2023, the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA), which is responsible for the technical implementation of the projects referred to in Article 1 of Decision (CFSP) 2020/732, requested a 13-month no-cost extension of the implementation period.
- (4) The extension of the implementation period until 14 January 2025 does not have any implication as regards financial resources.
- (5) Decision (CFSP) 2020/732 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

¹ Council Decision (CFSP) 2020/732 of 2 June 2020 in support of the UN Secretary-General’s Mechanism for investigation of alleged use of chemical and biological or toxin weapons (OJ L 172 I, 3.6.2020, p. 5).

Article 1

In Article 5 of Decision (CFSP) 2020/732, paragraph 2 is replaced by the following:

‘2. This Decision shall expire on 14 January 2025.’

Article 2

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

Done at ...,

For the Council

The President
