DECISIONS

POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE DECISION (CFSP) 2019/783

of 30 April 2019

on the appointment of the EU Force Commander for the European Union military operation in Bosnia and Herzegovina and repealing Decision (CFSP) 2018/355 (BiH/28/2019)

THE POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 38 thereof,

Having regard to Council Joint Action 2004/570/CFSP of 12 July 2004 on the European Union military operation in Bosnia and Herzegovina ([1]), and in particular Article 6(1) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Pursuant to Article 6(1) of Joint Action 2004/570/CFSP, the Council authorised the Political and Security Committee (PSC) to take the relevant decisions on the appointment of the EU Force Commander for the European Union military operation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (the 'EU Force Commander').

(2) On 27 February 2018 the PSC adopted Decision (CFSP) 2018/355 ([2]), appointing Major General Martin DORFER as EU Force Commander.

(3) The EU Operation Commander has recommended the appointment of Brigadier General Reinhard TRISCHAK as the new EU Force Commander to succeed Major General Martin DORFER as from 26 June 2019.

(4) The EU Military Committee agreed to the recommendation of the EU Operation Commander on 18 March 2019.

(5) Decision (CFSP) 2018/355 should therefore be repealed.

(6) In accordance with Article 5 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 does not participate in the elaboration and the implementation of decisions and actions of the Union which have defence implications.

(7) On 12 and 13 December 2002 the Copenhagen European Council adopted a declaration stating that the Berlin Plus arrangements and the implementation thereof will apply only to those Member States of the Union which are also either NATO members or members of the Partnership for Peace programme and which have consequently concluded bilateral security agreements with NATO,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Brigadier General Reinhard TRISCHAK is hereby appointed EU Force Commander for the European Union military operation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (operation ALTHEA) as from 26 June 2019.

Article 2

Decision (CFSP) 2018/355 is hereby repealed.

([1]) OJ L 252, 28.7.2004, p. 10.
([2]) Political and Security Committee Decision (CFSP) 2018/355 of 27 February 2018 on the appointment of the EU Force Commander for the European Union military operation in Bosnia and Herzegovina and repealing Decision (CFSP) 2017/682 (BiH/26/2018) (OJ L 68, 12.3.2018, p. 12).

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 26 June 2019.

Done at Brussels, 30 April 2019.

For the Political and Security Committee
The Chairperson
S. FROM-EMMESBERGER