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Subject: POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE DECISION on the appointment of the EU Force Commander for the European Union military operation to contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast (Atalanta) and repealing Decision (CFSP) 2022/217 (ATALANTA/4/2022)

**POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE
DECISION (CFSP) 2022/...**

of ...

**on the appointment of the EU Force Commander for
the European Union military operation
to contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression
of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast (Atalanta)
and repealing Decision (CFSP) 2022/217
(ATALANTA/4/2022)**

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 2008/851/CFSP of 10 November 2008 on a European Union military operation to contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast¹, and in particular Article 6(1) thereof,

¹ OJ L 301, 12.11.2008, p. 33.

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 6(1) of Joint Action 2008/851/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 to contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast (Atalanta) (the 'EU Force Commander').
- (2) On 15 February 2022, the PSC adopted Decision (CFSP) 2022/217¹, appointing Rear Admiral Fabrizio BONDI as the EU Force Commander.
- (3) On 30 June 2022, the EU Operation Commander recommended the appointment of Rear Admiral Riccardo MARCHIÓ as the new EU Force Commander as soon as possible.
- (4) On 30 June 2022, the EU Military Committee agreed to that recommendation.
- (5) Decision (CFSP) 2022/217 should therefore be repealed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

¹ Political and Security Committee Decision (CFSP) 2022/217 of 15 February 2022 on the appointment of the EU Force Commander for the European Union military operation to contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast (Atalanta) and repealing Decision (CFSP) 2022/41 (ATALANTA/3/2022) (OJ L 37, 18.2.2022, p. 39).

Article 1

Rear Admiral Riccardo MARCHIÓ is hereby appointed EU Force Commander for the European Union military operation to contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast (Atalanta) as from ...⁺.

Article 2

Decision (CFSP) 2022/217 is hereby repealed.

⁺ OJ: please enter the date of adoption of this Decision.

Article 3

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

Done at Brussels, ... 2022.

For the Political and Security Committee

The Chairperson
