DECISIONS

DECISION OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES

of 20 June 2012

appointing Judges and Advocates-General to the Court of Justice

(2012/345/EU)

THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 19 thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Articles 253 and 255 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The terms of office of 14 Judges and four Advocates-General of the Court of Justice are due to expire on 6 October 2012. For the period from 7 October 2012 to 6 October 2018, 14 Judges and four Advocates-General have to be appointed to the Court of Justice.

(2) On 25 April 2012, by Decision 2012/244/EU [1], the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States appointed 11 Judges and three Advocates-General to the Court of Justice for the period from 7 October 2012 to 6 October 2018.

(3) To complete the partial replacement of the Judges and Advocates-General of the Court of Justice, the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States should appoint a further three Judges and one Advocate-General to the posts remaining to be filled.

(4) The Governments of the Member States have proposed the reappointment of Mr Antonio TIZZANO and the appointment of Mr Christopher VAJDA as Judges of the Court of Justice as well as the reappointment of Mr Paolo MENGOZZI as an Advocate-General of the Court of Justice. The panel set up by Article 255 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union has given an opinion on the suitability of the aforementioned candidates to perform the duties of Judge or Advocate-General of the Court of Justice.

(5) Two Judges and one Advocate-General of the Court of Justice should therefore be appointed for the period from 7 October 2012 to 6 October 2018. The remaining post of a Judge of the Court of Justice will be filled at a later date,

HAVE ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. The following are hereby appointed Judges to the Court of Justice for the period from 7 October 2012 to 6 October 2018:

Mr Antonio TIZZANO

Mr Christopher VAJDA.

2. Mr Paolo MENGOZZI is hereby appointed Advocate-General to the Court of Justice for the period from 7 October 2012 to 6 October 2018.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 20 June 2012.

The President

J. TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN

[1] OJ L 121, 8.5.2012, p. 21.