# COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2024/330

## of 16 January 2024

## amending Decision (CFSP) 2019/2009 in support of Ukraine's efforts to combat illicit trafficking in weapons, ammunition and explosives, in cooperation with the OSCE

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 December 2019, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2019/2009 ([1]).

(2) Decision (CFSP) 2019/2009 provides for a 36-month implementation period for the activities referred to in Article 1 thereof from the date of the conclusion of the financing agreement referred to in Article 3(3) thereof.

(3) Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/2276 ([2]) extended the implementation period of Decision (CFSP) 2019/2009 by 13 months, until 23 January 2024.

(4) The Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) requested an extension of the implementation period of Decision (CFSP) 2019/2009 by 6 months, until 21 July 2024, considering the delay in the implementation of project activities under Decision (CFSP) 2019/2009 due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and Russia's unprovoked and unjustified war of aggression against Ukraine.

(5) The continuation of the activities referred to in Article 1 of Decision (CFSP) 2019/2009 until 21 July 2024 can be performed without any consequences as regards financial resources.

(6) The request for extension should be accepted by amending Article 5(2) of Decision (CFSP) 2019/2009 accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

In Decision (CFSP) 2019/2009, Article 5, paragraph 2 is replaced by the following:

'2. This Decision shall expire on 21 July 2024.'.

([1]) Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2009 of 2 December 2019 in support of Ukraine's efforts to combat illicit trafficking in weapons, ammunition and explosives, in cooperation with the OSCE (OJ L 312, 3.12.2019, p. 42).

([2]) Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/2276 of 18 November 2022 amending Decision (CFSP) 2019/2009 in support of Ukraine's efforts to combat illicit trafficking in weapons, ammunition and explosives, in cooperation with the OSCE (OJ L 300, 21.11.2022, p. 42).

*Article 2*

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

Done at Brussels, 16 January 2024.

*For the Council*
*The President*
V. VAN PETEGHEM