DECISION OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF FRONTEX

3 / 2010

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE A WORKING ARRANGEMENT WITH THE GENEVA CENTRE FOR THE DEMOCRATIC CONTROL OF ARMED FORCES

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Having regard to the Frontex Regulation\(^1\), in particular to Article 13 thereof,

Taking into account that the Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF\(^2\)) is one of the world's leading institutions in the areas of security sector reform (SSR) and security sector governance (SSG), which provides in-country advisory support and practical assistance programmes, develops and promotes appropriate democratic norms at the international and national levels, advocates good practices and conducts policy-related research to make recommendations to ensure effective democratic governance of the security sector including the border security services.

Having regard to the Decision of the Management Board of 01 September 2006, laying down the procedures for negotiating and concluding working arrangements with third countries and international organisations, and in particular Article 2 point 1 thereof,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Single Article

The Executive Director is hereby authorised to negotiate a working arrangement with the Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces in accordance with the guidelines and financial implications annexed to this decision.

Done in Madrid, 4 February 2010

For the Management Board

[signed]

Manuel Palos
Deputy Chairperson

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ANNEX

GUIDELINES

Frontex and DCAF have identified common fields of interest, modalities and areas for cooperation. Therefore the working arrangement establishing cooperation between Frontex and the DCAF may cover the following issues:

➢ Purposes of the cooperation within the matters covered by Council Regulation 2007/2004;
➢ Basic principles and rules of establishing and maintaining cooperation;
➢ Objectives expected to be achieved through the cooperation.

Contents of the cooperation:
➢ Exchange of information, in particular related to border security issues and related policy developments in the Western Balkan region;
➢ Reciprocal assistance in developing and implementing training courses and related training materials for border guards;
➢ Participation in conferences, workshops and other events organised by Frontex and DCAF;
➢ Exchange of expertise and experiences as gained in the specific fields of activities.

Organisation of the cooperation:
➢ Regular dialogue between the Executive Director of Frontex and the Director of the DCAF;
➢ Other contacts between designated staff members of Frontex and DCAF.

Alternations and additions

Legal status

Entry into force, duration and validity of the working arrangement
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

To carry out activities related to the preparatory and signing phase, Frontex may incur administrative costs for the negotiation including possible missions to Geneva (DCAF HQs). Incurred costs will be covered by the administrative budget.

In principle, both Frontex and DCAF will bear their own expenses which arise in the course of the implementation of a future working arrangement in accordance with each organisation's terms of reference and mandate. Exceptional arrangements for funding of travel and accommodation expenses for staff of Frontex and DCAF and for supporting conferences, workshops and funding of joint activities may be considered on a case by case basis within the limits of the allocated budget for the respective purposes.