MANAGEMENT BOARD DECISION 23/2018
of 19 September 2018
adopting priority regions
for the deployment of Frontex Liaison Officers to third countries in 2019

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Having regard to the European Border and Coast Guard Regulation\(^1\), in particular Article 55(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Pursuant to Article 55(2) of the European Border and Coast Guard Regulation, the Management Board, on a proposal of the Executive Director, adopts the list of priorities on a yearly basis for the deployment of Frontex Liaison Officers in third countries.

(2) The operational cooperation with third countries, in particular those which are countries of origin and/or transit for illegal immigration is to be strengthened.

(3) The risk analysis of the Agency shows that the Western Balkans, North Africa, West Africa, the Horn of Africa and the Silk Route region continue to constitute regions of origin and/or transit for illegal immigration.

(4) The enhancement of operational activities and information gathering in these areas is considered of strategic importance.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1
Subject

The Western Balkans, North Africa, West Africa, the Horn of Africa and the Silk Route region are hereby prioritised as regions for the deployment of Frontex Liaison Officers for the year 2019.

Article 2
Entry into Force

This decision enters into force on the day following its adoption.

Done in Warsaw, 19 September 2018

For the Management Board

[signed]
Marko Gašperlin
Chairperson

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