

Council Decision 2010/439/CFSP of 11 August 2010 extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative in Afghanistan

Article 3

Mandate

In order to fulfil the mandate, the EUSR shall, in close cooperation with EU Member States' representatives in Afghanistan:

- (a) promote the views of the Union on the political process and developments in Afghanistan;
- (b) maintain close contact with, and support the development of, relevant Afghan institutions, in particular the government and the parliament as well as the local authorities. Contact should also be maintained with other Afghan political groups and other relevant actors in Afghanistan;
- (c) maintain close contact with relevant international and regional stakeholders in Afghanistan, notably the Special Representative of the Secretary General of the UN and the Senior Civilian Representative of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) and other key partners and organisations;
- (d) advise on the progress achieved in meeting the objectives of the EU-Afghanistan Joint Declaration, the EU Action Plan for Afghanistan and Pakistan, in so far as it relates to Afghanistan, the Afghanistan Compact and the London Conference Communiqué, in particular in the following areas:
 - civilian capacity building, notably at sub-national level,
 - good governance and the establishment of institutions of the rule of law, in particular an independent judiciary,
 - electoral reforms,
 - security sector reforms, including the strengthening of judicial institutions, the national army and the police force,
 - promotion of growth, namely through agriculture and rural development,
 - respect for Afghanistan's international human rights obligations, including respect for the rights of persons belonging to minorities and the rights of women and children,
 - respect of democratic principles and the rule of law,
 - fostering participation by women in public administration and civil society,
 - respect for Afghanistan's international obligations, including cooperation in international efforts to combat terrorism, illicit drug trafficking, trafficking in human beings and proliferation of arms and weapons of mass destruction and related materials,
 - facilitation of humanitarian assistance and the orderly return of refugees and internally displaced persons, and
 - enhancing the effectiveness of Union presence and activities in Afghanistan and contributing to the formulation of the regular 6 monthly implementation reports on the EU Action Plan requested by the Council;

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- (e) actively participate in local coordination forums such as the Joint Coordination and Monitoring Board (JCMB), while keeping non-participating Member States fully informed of decisions taken at these levels;
- (f) advise on the participation and the positions of the Union in international conferences with regard to Afghanistan and contribute to promoting regional cooperation.

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