

Council Decision 2010/440/CFSP of 11 August 2010 extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for the African Great Lakes Region

*Article 3*

**Mandate**

In order to achieve the policy objectives, the mandate of the EUSR shall be to:

- (a) establish and maintain close contact with the countries of the Great Lakes Region, the United Nations, the African Union, key African countries and main partners of the DRC and the Union, as well as regional and sub-regional African organisations, other relevant third countries and other key regional leaders;
- (b) advise and report on the possibilities for the Union to support the stabilisation and consolidation process and on how best to pursue Union initiatives;
- (c) provide advice and assistance for security sector reform (SSR) in the DRC;
- (d) contribute to the follow-up to the International Conference of the Great Lakes Region, in particular by supporting policies, defined in the region, which pursue the objectives of non-violence and mutual defence in the resolution of conflicts as well as, regarding regional cooperation, by promoting human rights and democratisation, good governance, judicial cooperation, and the fight against impunity and the illegal exploitation of natural resources;
- (e) contribute to a better understanding of the role of the Union among opinion leaders in the region;
- (f) contribute, where requested, to the negotiation and implementation of peace and cease-fire agreements between the parties and engage with them diplomatically in the event of non-compliance with the terms of these agreements; in the context of the ongoing LRA negotiations, such activities should be pursued in close coordination with the EUSR for Sudan;
- (g) contribute to the implementation of the EU human rights policy and EU Guidelines on Human Rights, in particular the EU Guidelines on Children and Armed Conflict, and the EU policy regarding UN Security Council Resolution 1325 (2000) on Women, Peace and Security, including by monitoring and reporting on developments in this regard.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Decision 2010/440/CFSP, Article 3.