

AGREEMENT**between the European Union and the Republic of Slovenia on the participation of the Republic of Slovenia in the European Union Police Mission (EUPM) in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH)**

THE EUROPEAN UNION,

on the one hand, and

THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA,

on the other hand,

together hereinafter referred to as the 'Participating Parties',

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT

- the presence of the United Nations International Police Task Force (IPTF) in Bosnia and Herzegovina since 1996 and the offer of the European Union to ensure, by 1 January 2003, the follow-on to the IPTF in Bosnia and Herzegovina,
- the acceptance by Bosnia and Herzegovina of that offer, by Exchange of Letters of 2 and 4 March 2002, which provides, *inter alia*, that the EUPM planning team be granted the status currently applicable to the members of the European Union Monitoring Mission (EUMM) in Bosnia and Herzegovina,
- the adoption by the Council of the European Union on 11 March 2002 of Joint Action 2002/210/CFSP on the European Union Police Mission ⁽¹⁾ stating that non-EU European NATO members and other States which are candidates for accession to the European Union as well as other non-EU OSCE Member States, currently providing staff to IPTF, are invited to contribute to the EUPM,
- the agreement concluded on 4 October 2002 between the EU and Bosnia and Herzegovina on the activities of the EUPM in Bosnia and Herzegovina ⁽²⁾, including provisions on the status of the EUPM personnel,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1***Framework**

The Republic of Slovenia shall associate itself with the provisions of Joint Action 2002/210/CFSP on the European Union Police Mission (EUPM) in Bosnia and Herzegovina including its Annex on the mission statement for EUPM, adopted by the Council of the European Union on 11 March 2002, in accordance with the provisions stipulated in the following Articles.

*Article 2***Personnel seconded to the EUPM**

1. The Republic of Slovenia shall contribute to the EUPM with four seconded police officers. This personnel should be seconded for a minimum of one year, taking into account that appropriate rotation of seconded personnel shall be ensured.

2. The Republic of Slovenia shall ensure that its personnel seconded to the EUPM undertake their mission in conformity with the provisions of Joint Action 2002/210/CFSP.

3. The Republic of Slovenia shall inform in due course the EUPM and the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union of any change to its contribution to the EUPM.

4. Personnel seconded to the EUPM shall undergo an extensive medical examination, vaccination and be certified medically fit for duty by a competent authority from the Republic of Slovenia. A copy of this certification shall accompany the personnel seconded to the EUPM.

5. The Republic of Slovenia shall bear the cost of sending the police officers and/or the international civilian staff seconded by it, including salaries, allowances, medical expenses, insurance and travel expenses to and from Bosnia and Herzegovina.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 70, 13.3.2002, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 293, 29.10.2002, p. 2.