

DECISION 16/2014/GB  
OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN POLICE COLLEGE  
**ON SCHOOLING FEES**

Adopted by the Governing Board  
by written procedure  
on 2 July 2014

## THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN POLICE COLLEGE

HAVING REGARD to the Council Decision 2005/681/JHA of 20 September 2005 establishing the European Police College (CEPOL) and in particular articles 11 and 13 thereof<sup>1</sup>;

HAVING REGARD to the Staff Regulations of Officials, hereinafter the Staff Regulations, and the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Communities, hereinafter CEOS, laid down by Council Regulation (EEC, EURATOM, ECSC) No 259/68 and last amended by Regulation (EU, EURATOM) no 1023/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October 2013, and in particular to Articles 1 (e), 20, 76. And 3 of Annex VII of the Staff Regulations and Articles 30 and 98 of the CEOS;

HAVING REGARD to the Guidelines on Staff Policy in the European Regulatory Agencies as adopted by the European Commission on 16 December 2005 (C(2005)5304), and in particular to point 2.3.3 thereto;

HAVING REGARD to the proposal of the Director;

WHEREAS it is necessary to promote geographical balance among the staff of agencies by facilitating schooling of the children of staff;

WHEREAS staff members of EU institutions, including agencies, enjoy free access to European Schools (school fees and transport included) where available, under the condition that they have a contract of at least one year;

WHEREAS the average costs covered by the EU budget per pupil attending a European School is approximately EUR 10 500 while the maximum reimbursement for education allowance foreseen by the Staff Regulations for covering the costs of attendance of a pupil per year of any school where no European School is available is approximately EUR 6 000;

WHEREAS European Schools provide multilingual tuition in the official languages of the European Union and offer the European Baccalaureate recognised in all Member States;

WHEREAS in the area of the future seat of CEPOL there is no European School that could be attended free of charge;

WHEREAS the staff members of CEPOL are disadvantaged for not being able to avail their children with education in their mother tongue compared to staff members of other EU institutions and bodies where there is a European school close to their place of employment;

WHEREAS a measure of social nature is needed to pair the unequal working conditions to which the staff of CEPOL is subject compared with other staff working for other European Union institutions and bodies where European Schools are available;

AFTER the consultation of the Staff Committee on 28 April 2014

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 256, 1.10.2005, p. 63. Decision as amended by Regulation (EU) No 543/2014 (OJ L 163, 29.5.2014, p. 5).

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

**Article 1 – Access to the special measures**

- 1) All staff members of CEPOL and seconded national experts, with a contract duration of at least one year, with the place of employment in the seat of CEPOL shall have access to this special measure, with regard to their dependent children within the meaning of Article 2(2) of Annex VII to the Staff Regulations. To fully enjoy this right, the children shall have joined the staff member in changing the residence to fully respect Article 20 of the Staff Regulations.
- 2) If custody of a child of a CEPOL staff member has been entrusted, by law, court order or administrative decision, to another person after the child having been admitted to one of the educational institutions of the region of the seat of CEPOL, the child shall continue to be regarded as dependent child under the previous paragraph, if the child continues to be educated in the same school or any other school of the region of the seat of CEPOL.

**Article 2 – Procedure**

CEPOL shall arrange service contracts with international schools and nurseries in Budapest or at no greater distance than is compatible with the proper performance of the staff member's duties.

CEPOL Director is mandated to negotiate with international schools to achieve adequate but cost efficient agreements with these schools to facilitate the school attendance of children mentioned under Art. 1, and to conclude these agreements.

**Article 3 – Eligible costs**

- 1) CEPOL shall pay the school fees and therefore the school shall be considered as non-fee paying and the staff member concerned shall not receive the education allowance provided for in Article 3 of Annex VII of the Staff Regulations.
- 2) The costs covered by CEPOL shall be:
  - a. The registration and attendance fees at international schools
  - b. The transportation costs  
Excluding all other costs as described on the Commission decision C(2004)131-53-2004 on general implementing provisions for the grant of the education allowance.

**Article 4 – Implementation**

CEPOL Director shall proceed with the necessary actions for the implementation of this decision.

**Article 5 – Entry into force**

This decision shall enter into force on the day following the date of its adoption.

It shall apply from 1 September 2014 when Budapest becomes the official seat of CEPOL.

Done in Rome, 2 July 2014

*For the Governing Board*

Riccardo Amato  
*Chair of the Governing Board*