

**Decision of the Management Board 10/2020/MB**

**ON THE SUSPENSION OF OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES UNTIL 31 JULY  
2020 DUE TO THE COVID-19 SITUATION**

**Adopted by the Management Board**

**on 29 April 2020**

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2015/2219 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training (CEPOL) and replacing and repealing Council Decision 2005/681/JHA<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Articles 9(1) and 10 thereof,

Having regard to Decision 23/2019/MB on the CEPOL Single Programming Document 2020-2022 – as latest amended by Decision 07/2020/MB,

Having regard to Decision 39/2017/MB on amending MB Decision 05/2016 on the rules of procedure of the Management Board of the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training (CEPOL),

Having regard to Decision 13/2019/MB on the CEPOL Financial Regulation and repealing Decision 01/2014/GB, adopted on 22 May 2019,

Having regard to Decision of the Executive Director 16/2020/DIR on CEPOL measures pertaining to the Corona Virus (COVID-19) of 10 March 2020 and Decision of the Executive Director 22/2020/DIR on the suspension of operational activities until 31 May 2020 due to COVID-19 situation of 20 March,

Whereas:

1. The risks and implications of the ongoing 2019-2020 SARS coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) outbreak (hereinafter ‘COVID-19’) in relation to the carrying-out of CEPOL operational activities are monitored and evaluated constantly by the Agency. CEPOL operational activities include activities carried out in the context of externally funded projects.
2. By his Decision 16/2020/DIR on CEPOL measures pertaining to COVID-19 of 10 March 2020, the Executive Director activated scenario “Orange”. Currently, the physical presence of staff at the premises of the Agency is limited.
3. By his Decision 22/2020/DIR of 20 March, the Executive Director extended the suspension of operational activities until 31 May 2020 due to COVID-19 situation. Notwithstanding this, the implementation of online (e-learning) activities continues as planned and does not fall under the scope of the above-mentioned and the present Decision. This is without prejudice to any change of circumstances that may have a direct or indirect impact on the implementation of online (e-learning) activities.
4. On 22 April 2020, the Executive Director informed the Management Board and the CEPOL National Unit members that a Decision of the

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L319, 4.12.2015, p.1.

Management Board will be sought in relation to the further suspension of CEPOL operational activities until 31 July 2020.

5. The Management Board acknowledges the fact that suspension of activities shall impact the budget implementation throughout the course of the year and therefore a substantial revision of the Annual Work Programme 2020 is required. The present Decision aims at providing clarity on the modus operandi of the Agency until a substantial revision Annual Work Programme 2020 is prepared by the Agency,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

1. The suspension of the following operational activities shall be extended until 31 July 2020:
  - a. Residential (on-site) training activities, including training activities carried out in the context of externally funded projects,
  - b. Exchanges,
  - c. Missions of CEPOL staff, except from missions permitted upon approval of the Executive Director when compelling business needs require so,
  - d. CEPOL organised meetings,
  - e. Group visits to CEPOL premises in Budapest

*Article 2*

1. The Management Board invites the Executive Director to submit by mid-June 2020 a revised Annual Work Programme for the remaining part of 2020.

The present Decision shall take effect the day of its adoption.

Done at Tampere, on 04 May 2020

*For the Management Board*  
*<< Signature on file >>*

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*Dr Kimmo Himberg*  
*Chair of the Management Board*