

**DECISION**  
**OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN POLICE COLLEGE**  
**23/2006/GB**  
**CONCERNING THE EXERCISE OF POWERS BY THE FINANCIAL**  
**IRREGULARITIES PANEL SET UP BY THE COMMISSION**

Adopted by the Governing Board  
in a written procedure  
on 31 August 2006

THE GOVERNING BOARD,

Having regard to the Council Decision 2005/681/JHA of 20 September 2005 establishing a European Police College (hereinafter referred to as “CEPOL”), and in particular Article 17 thereof;

Having regard to the Decision of the Governing Board of CEPOL 22/2006/GB adopting the Financial Regulation of CEPOL, and in particular Article 47(4) thereof.

Whereas:

- (1) CEPOL has access to the panel referred to by Article 66(4) of the general Financial Regulation set up by the Commission (hereinafter referred to as “Financial Irregularities Panel”), if the Governing Board so decides.
- (2) The number of financial actors in the CEPOL Secretariat does not justify setting up a functionally independent panel by the Governing Board.
- (3) A decision for accessing the Financial Irregularities Panel is therefore desirable to recognise the specific operational conditions and needs of CEPOL.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION

*Article 1*

The panel referred to by Article 66(4) of the general Financial Regulation set up by the Commission shall exercise the same powers in respect of the European Police College as it does in respect of the Commission departments.

*Article 2*

This decision shall take effect on the day following that of its adoption.

Done at Espoo, 31 August 2006

*For the Governing Board*

*Urpo Sarala  
Chair of the Governing Board*