

DECISION 27/2009/GB  
OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN POLICE COLLEGE  
**AMENDING DECISION 8/2007/GB**  
OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN POLICE COLLEGE  
**LAYING DOWN RULES GOVERNING THE ORGANISATION OF MEETINGS**  
**AND THE REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENDITURE**  
**FOR ATTENDING AND ORGANISING MEETINGS**

Adopted by the Governing Board  
on 6 October 2009

THE GOVERNING BOARD,

Having regard to Council Decision 2005/681/JHA of 20 September 2005 establishing the European Police College (CEPOL) <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 10(10) thereof;

Having regard to the proposal by the Swedish Presidency of the European Police College;

Having regard to the proposal by the Director;

Whereas:

- (1) Only one meeting of the current presidency, the incoming presidency and the presidency following the incoming presidency per presidency term has proven to be not sufficient in order to cover the extensive need for consultative preparation and coordination. Therefore the reimbursement of Presidencies Meetings should not be limited to hand-over meetings, but allow for more meetings per presidency term with an optional wider group of participants at the discretion of the presidency.
- (2) In case the organiser of a meeting is not a member of a committee or group, no representative of the organiser is entitled to any reimbursement. In order to facilitate the organisation of meetings, in the aforementioned case one member of staff of the organiser should be entitled to reimbursement.
- (3) The ceiling for the reimbursement of costs for transport for CEPOL activities has been increased from €40 to €50 <sup>(2)</sup>. The increase should apply for the reimbursement of costs for transport for CEPOL meetings as well.
- (4) In order to facilitate the organisation of meetings of different duration the ceiling for meeting related costs should be defined in half meeting days.
- (5) The timeline for concluding agreements between CEPOL and organisers should be revised in order to be fully compatible with CEPOL's Financial Regulation <sup>(3)</sup>.
- (6) It is therefore desirable to adopt the following decision.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 256, 1.10.2005, p. 63.

<sup>(2)</sup> Decision 15/2009/GB of the Governing Board of the European Police College amending Decision 30/2006/GB of the Governing Board of the European Police College laying down administrative rules, commitments and guidelines for its courses and seminars (adopted by the Governing Board on 26.5.2009).

<sup>(3)</sup> Decision 22/2006/GB of the Governing Board of the European Police College adopting the financial regulation (adopted by the Governing Board in a written procedure on 31.8.2006; decision as last amended by Decision 32/2008/GB of the Governing Board of the European Police College (adopted by the Governing Board on 11.12.2008).

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1  
Amendments*

Decision 8/2007/GB of the Governing Board of the European Police College laying down rules governing the organisation of meetings and the reimbursement of expenditure for attending and organising meetings of the Governing Board, committees, working groups, project groups, ad hoc working groups and sub groups and hand-over meetings <sup>(1)</sup> is amended as follows:

1. Article 1(c) is replaced by the following:

“c. Presidencies (hereinafter referred to as “Presidencies Meeting”).”

2. In Article 2(1), the words “hand-over meetings” are replaced by the words “Presidencies Meetings”.

3. Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*“Article 7  
Presidencies Meetings*

CEPOL shall reimburse travel expenditure and accommodation costs for attending Presidencies Meetings for up to two delegates of the current Presidency, and for up to one delegate of the incoming Presidency and the former Presidency. Presidencies Meetings shall preferably be combined with other meetings.

CEPOL shall reimburse travel expenditure and accommodation costs for up to one delegate of other Member States or EU Agencies being invited by the Presidency for a specific Presidency meeting with the prior agreement of the Director.

The composition of the Presidencies Meetings is at the discretion of the current Presidency within the framework as defined in the first sentence of this article.”

4. In Chapter 2, the title of Article 9 is replaced by the following:

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<sup>(1)</sup> Adopted by the Governing Board on 8.3.2007; decision as last amended by Decision 16/2009/GB of the Governing Board of the European Police College (adopted by the Governing Board on 26.5.2009).

*“Article 9  
Staff of the Presidency, Chairs and Organisers”*

5. In Article 9, the following paragraph (4) is added:

“4. In case a meeting is not organised by a Member State being a member of that Committee or by a Member State a member of that Group is citizen of, one member of staff of the organiser is entitled to reimbursement of travel expenditure.”

6. In Article 13(2),

- a. the number “40” is replaced by the number “50”.
- b. the words “hand-over meetings” are replaced by the words “Presidencies Meetings”.

7. In Article 14(2), the number “40” is replaced by the number “50”.

8. In Chapter 3, the title of Article 15 is replaced by the following:

*“Article 15  
Committees, Working Groups, Project Groups,  
Sub-groups and Presidencies Meetings”*

9. Article 15 is amended as follows:

a. In paragraph 3, the words “hand-over meetings” are replaced by the words “Presidencies Meetings”.

b. Paragraph 4 is replaced by the following:

“4. CEPOL shall reimburse costs for meeting rooms, printing, technical equipment and other meeting related costs up to €250 per half meeting day of at least four hours duration.”

10. Article 16 is amended as follows:

a. In paragraph 1, the words “one month” are replaced by the words “ten weeks”.

b. In paragraph 1, subparagraph b is replaced by the following:

“(b) the estimated number of delegates, guests, observers and staff of the Presidency, Chairs and Organisers on the basis of Articles 5 to 9.”

- c. In paragraph 3 the words “two months” are replaced by the words “fourteen weeks”.

*Article 2*  
*Entry into force*

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

Done at Kolmården, 6 October 2009

*For the Governing Board*

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*Chair of the Governing Board*