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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 42(4) and Article 43(2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

(1) On 25 November 2005, the Council adopted Joint Action 2005/889/CFSP[(1)], which established a European Union Border Assistance Mission for the Rafah Crossing Point (EU BAM Rafah).

(2) On 28 June 2019, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2019/1115[(2)], which amended Joint Action 2005/889/CFSP and extended it until 30 June 2020.

(3) On 16 April 2020, the Political and Security Committee ('PSC') agreed that, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, EU BAM Rafah should be extended with the same mandate for a further period of 12 months, until 30 June 2021, with the understanding that the Mission will be subject to a Strategic Review as soon as circumstances allow.

(4) EU BAM Rafah should be granted a financial reference amount for this new one#year period.

(5) Joint Action 2005/889/CFSP should be amended accordingly.

(6) EU BAM Rafah will be conducted in the context of a situation which may deteriorate and could impede the achievement of the objectives of the Union's external action as set out in Article 21 of the Treaty,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Joint Action 2005/889/CFSP is amended as follows:

(1) in Article 13(1), the following subparagraph is added:

> The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to EU BAM Rafah for the period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021 shall be EUR 2 180 000,0;

**Changes to legislation:** *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Decision (CFSP) 2020/955. (See end of Document for details)*

(2) in Article 16, the second paragraph is replaced by the following:

It shall expire on 30 June 2021..

*Article 2*

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

It shall apply from 1 July 2020.

Done at Brussels, 30 June 2020.

*For the Council*

*The President*

A. METELKO-ZGOMBIĆ