

DECISION OF THE COLLEGE OF THE EUROPEAN PUBLIC PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE OF 14 SEPTEMBER 2022

ON THE REJECTION OF A PERSON NOMINATED TO THE FUNCTION OF EUROPEAN DELEGATED PROSECUTOR OF THE EPPO IN THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC

The College of the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO),

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 of 12 October 2017 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office ('EPPO'), and in particular Articles 9, 13 and 17 thereof, hereinafter "the EPPO Regulation",

Having regard to Decision 2020/013 of 16 November 2020 of the College of the EPPO laying down rules on the procedure for the appointment of the European Delegated Prosecutors, and in particular Articles 1, 3 and 4 thereof,

Taking into account the reasoned opinion of 6 July 2022 of the working group of European Prosecutors, established by Decision 2020/014 of 16 November 2020 of the College of the EPPO in accordance with Article 3 of Decision 2020/013 of the College of the EPPO ("the Working Group"), issued based on the documents accompanying the nominations made by the Italian Republic, the additional information and documents provided by the nominated person and the interview held with the person concerned,

Considering that nominated candidate Ms Carmela Giuffrida did not demonstrate to have sufficient relevant practical experience in investigating, prosecuting and indicting persons responsible for criminal offences affecting the financial interests of the Union that are provided for in Directive (EU) 2017/1371 or financial offences in general and therefore falls short of meeting all requirements set out in Article 17, paragraph 2 of the EPPO Regulation;

Whereas the College shares the conclusion of the working group that the nominated person does not possess all the necessary qualifications to be appointed European Delegated Prosecutor and, therefore, she does not fully meet the eligibility criteria as set out in Article 17 of the EPPO Regulation;

Has adopted the following decision:



Article 1

The nomination of Ms Carmela Giuffrida for the function of European Delegated Prosecutor of the EPPO in the Italian Republic is rejected, as she does not meet all the requirements set out in Article 17, paragraph 2 of the EPPO Regulation.

Article 2

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

Done at Luxembourg on 14 September 2022.

On behalf of the College,

Laura Codruța KÖVESI
European Chief Prosecutor



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