

# DECISION OF THE COLLEGE OF THE EUROPEAN PUBLIC PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE OF 26 JULY 2023

## on the dismissal of one European Delegated Prosecutor in the Portuguese 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') (hereinafter referred to as 'the EPPO Regulation')<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 17 thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision (EU) 2023/1539 of 20 July 2023<sup>2</sup> appointing the European Prosecutors of the European Public Prosecutor's Office, and in particular Article 1 thereof,

Having regard to the Staff Regulations of Officials ('Staff Regulations') and the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants ('CEOS') of the European Union<sup>3</sup>,

Having regard to the Conditions of Employment of the European Delegated Prosecutors (hereinafter referred to as "COEEDP")<sup>4</sup>, and in particular Article 24 thereof,

#### Whereas:

- (1) The European Delegated Prosecutors shall, from the time of their appointment until dismissal, be able to perform their duties.
- (2) The College of the EPPO shall dismiss a European Delegated Prosecutor if it finds that he is no longer able to perform his duties, as provided for in Article 17(3) of the EPPO Regulation.
- (3) The contract of Employment of a European Delegated Prosecutor shall be terminated by the EPPO without notice if the College, under a reasoned proposal made by the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> OJ L 283/1 of 31.10.2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> OJ L 187, 26.7.2023, p. 74–75.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Regulation No 31 (EEC), 11 (EAEC), laying down the Staff Regulations of Officials and the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Economic Community and the European Atomic Energy Community (OJ P 045 14.6.1962, p. 1385), as last amended.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Decision of the College of the EPPO of 29 September 2020 laying down rules on Conditions of Employment of the European Delegated Prosecutors, as amended by Decisions 017/2021, 103/2021 and 007/2023 of the College of the EPPO.



European Chief Prosecutor, finds that the European Delegated Prosecutor is unable to perform his duties, in accordance with Article 24(4) of the COEEDP.

- (4) By Council Decision (EU) 2023/1539 of 20 July 2023, Mr José António LOPES RANITO, European Delegated Prosecutor in the Portuguese Republic, has been appointed European Prosecutor for a non-renewable period of six years from 29 July 2023.
- (5) As a result, Mr José António LOPES RANITO will be unable to perform his duties as European Delegated Prosecutor from 29 July 2023.
- (6) Considering the proposal to dismiss Mr. José António LOPES RANITO made by the European Chief Prosecutor on 24 July 2023,

Has adopted the following Decision:

### Article 1

Mr José António LOPES RANITO is hereby dismissed as European Delegated Prosecutor in the Portuguese Republic as of 29 July 2023.

#### Article 2

The contract of employment as special adviser concluded with Mr José António LOPES RANITO shall be terminated on 28 July 2023, in accordance with Article 24(4) of the COEEDP. His term of office as European Delegated Prosecutor is deemed to be concluded on the same date.

#### Article 3

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

Done at Luxembourg on 26 July 2023.

On behalf of the College, Laura Codruta KÖVESI

European Chief Prosecutor

