

# DECISION OF THE COLLEGE OF THE EUROPEAN PUBLIC PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE OF 15 JANUARY 2025

## ON THE DISMISSAL, ON GROUNDS OF RETIREMENT, OF A EUROPEAN DELEGATED PROSECUTOR OF THE EPPO IN THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND

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 the Staff Regulations of Officials ('Staff Regulations') and the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants ('CEOS') of the European Union,<sup>2</sup>

Having regard to the Conditions of Employment of the European Delegated Prosecutors (hereinafter referred to as "COEDP"),<sup>3</sup> and in particular Article 24 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The European Delegated Prosecutors shall, from the time of their appointment until dismissal, be active members of the public prosecution service or judiciary of the respective Member States which nominated them.
- (2) The College of the EPPO shall dismiss a European Delegated Prosecutor if it finds that he/she no longer fulfils the requirements set out in Article 17(2) 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

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<sup>1</sup> (OJ L 283 31.10.2017, p. 1).

<sup>2</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), and any subsequent amendment thereto.

<sup>3</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 no longer fulfils the requirements set out in Article 17(2) of the EPPO Regulation or is unable to perform his/her duties for other reasons.

- (4) Ms. Ritva SAHAVIRTA, European Delegated Prosecutor in the Republic of Finland, informed the EPPO on 10 December 2024 that she is retiring from the Finnish public prosecution service on 1 March 2025, therefore she will no longer fulfil the conditions to be employed by the EPPO set out in Article 17(2) of the EPPO Regulation.
- (5) Considering the proposal to dismiss Ms. Ritva SAHAVIRTA made by the European Chief Prosecutor dated 15 January 2025, and the documents accompanying the dismissal.

Has adopted this decision:

### Article 1

The following person is hereby dismissed, on grounds of retirement, as European Delegated Prosecutor of the EPPO in the Republic of Finland as of 1 March 2025:

- Ms. Ritva SAHAVIRTA.

### Article 2

The contract of employment as special adviser with the EPPO concluded with the person mentioned in Article 1 shall be terminated on 1 March 2025, in accordance with Article 24 of the CEEDP, and her term of office as European Delegated Prosecutor of the EPPO shall end on the same date.

### Article 3

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

Done at Luxembourg.

On behalf of the College,

**Laura Codruța KÖVESI**  
European Chief Prosecutor