

DECISION OF THE COLLEGE OF THE
EUROPEAN PUBLIC PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE
OF 10 DECEMBER 2025

ACKNOWLEDGING THE NEED FOR SUBSTITUTION OF A
EUROPEAN PROSECUTOR AND ON THE EXERCISE OF THE
FUNCTION OF INTERIM EUROPEAN PROSECUTOR

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 (hereinafter referred to as the "EPPO Regulation")¹, and in particular Articles 16(7) and 96 thereof,

Having regard to the Internal Rules of Procedure of the EPPO², and in particular Article 31(2) thereof,

Having regard to the Decision 106/2025 of the College of the EPPO of 10 December 2025 on the resignation of Mr Petr KLEMENT from the position of European Prosecutor,

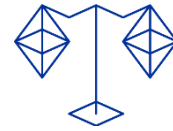
Having regard to the Decision of the College of the EPPO 062/2021 of 26 May 2021 designating a European Delegated Prosecutor pursuant to Article 16(7) of the EPPO Regulation.

WHEREAS:

1. Mr Petr KLEMENT will leave his position of European Prosecutor from 1 February 2026.
2. By the Decision 062/2021 of the College of the EPPO of 26 May 2021, Ms Petra VITKOVA, European Delegated Prosecutor in Czechia, was designated to substitute Mr Petr KLEMENT in case he is unable to carry out his functions as European Prosecutor or leaves his position.

¹ OJ L 283, 31.10.2017, p. 1–71.

² Decision 003/2020 of the College of the EPPO of 12 October 2020 on the Internal Rules of Procedure of the EPPO, as amended and supplemented by the Decisions 085/2021, 026/2022 and 010/2024 of the College of the EPPO.



3. According to Article 16(7), second sub-paragraph, of the EPPO Regulation, the person designated to substitute a European Prosecutor shall act as an interim European Prosecutor, pending replacement or return of the European Prosecutor, for a period not exceeding three months.

Considering the agreement of Ms Petra VITKOVA and upon proposal of the European Chief Prosecutor in accordance with Article 31(2) of the Internal Rules of Procedure,

Has adopted this Decision:

Article 1

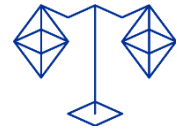
1. The College hereby acknowledges the need for substitution of Mr Petr KLEMENT in his functions as European Prosecutor.
2. Ms Petra VITKOVA, European Delegated Prosecutor in Czechia, designated, according to College Decision 062/2021, to substitute the Czech European Prosecutor, shall act as interim European Prosecutor for Czechia, for a period not exceeding three months, starting on 1 February 2026.

Article 2

The College, the European Chief Prosecutor, the competent Permanent Chambers and Ms Petra VITKOVA shall take the necessary measures to ensure the efficient management of the cases handled by the Czech European Delegated Prosecutors and that any conflict of interest is avoided during the period of application of this Decision.

Article 3

This Decision shall entry into force on the date following that of its adoption and it shall become applicable on 1 February 2026.



Done at Luxembourg on 10 December 2025.

On behalf of the College,

Laura Codruța KÖVESI
European Chief Prosecutor