

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2021/1989
of 15 November 2021
amending Decision 2012/642/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in
Belarus

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union and in particular Article 29 thereof,

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

Whereas:

- (1) On 15 October 2012, the Council adopted Decision 2012/642/CFSP ⁽¹⁾, concerning restrictive measures against Belarus.
- (2) On 24 June 2021, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2021/1031 ⁽²⁾, which amended Decision 2012/642/CFSP to introduce a number of economic restrictions, including a prohibition on providing insurance and re-insurance to the Belarusian Government and Belarusian public bodies and agencies.
- (3) In this context, it is appropriate to introduce certain exceptions to the prohibition on providing insurance and re-insurance to the Belarusian Government and Belarusian public bodies and agencies.
- (4) Further action by the Union is needed in order to implement certain measures.
- (5) Decision 2012/642/CFSP should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Article 2j of Decision 2012/642/CFSP is replaced by the following:

‘Article 2j

1. It shall be prohibited to provide insurance or re-insurance to:
 - (a) the Belarusian Government, its public bodies, corporations or agencies; or
 - (b) any natural or legal person, entity or body acting on behalf or at the direction of a legal person, entity or body referred to in point (a).
2. The prohibitions in paragraph 1 shall not apply to the provision of compulsory or third party liability insurance to Belarusian persons, entities or bodies where the risk insured is situated in the Union or to the provision of insurance for Belarusian diplomatic or consular missions in the Union.
3. The prohibitions in paragraph 1 shall be without prejudice to the execution of contracts concluded before 25 June 2021 or ancillary contracts necessary for the execution of such contracts.’

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision 2012/642/CFSP of 15 October 2012 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Belarus (OJ L 285, 17.10.2012, p. 1).

⁽²⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2021/1031 of 24 June 2021 amending Council Decision 2012/642/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Belarus (OJ L 224 I, 24.6.2021, p. 15).

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 15 November 2021.

For the Council
The President
J. BORRELL FONTELLES
