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EUBAM Libya becomes a fully-fledged civilian CSDP mission

Today, the Council adopted a decision mandating the EU integrated border management assistance mission in Libya (EUBAM Libya) to actively support the Libyan authorities in contributing to efforts to **disrupt organised criminal networks** involved in smuggling migrants, human trafficking and terrorism. The mission was previously mandated to plan for a future EU civilian mission while engaging with the Libyan authorities.

The mission's revised mandate will run **until 30 June 2020.** The Council also allocated a budget of **€ 61.6 million** for the period from 1 January 2019 to 30 June 2020.

In order to achieve its objectives EUBAM Libya provides capacity-building in the areas of **border management, law enforcement and criminal justice.** The mission advises the Libyan authorities on the development of a national integrated border management strategy and supports capacity building, strategic planning and coordination among relevant Libyan authorities. The mission will also manage as well as coordinate projects related to its mandate.

EUBAM Libya responds to a request by the Libyan authorities and is part of the EU's comprehensive approach to **support the transition to a democratic, stable and prosperous Libya**. The civilian mission **co-operates** closely with, and contributes to, the efforts of the **United Nations Support Mission** in Libya.

The mission's headquarters are located **in Tripoli** and the Head of Mission is Vincenzo Tagliaferri (from Italy).

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