

Judgment of the General Court of 13 October 2021 — European Union Copper Task Force v Commission

(Case T-153/19) ⁽¹⁾

(Plant protection products — Active substance ‘copper compounds’ — Renewal of approval for placing on the market — Candidates for substitution — Action for annulment — Admissibility — Associations — Proportionality — Precautionary principle — Manifest error of assessment — Expert’s report)

(2021/C 490/31)

Language of the case: English

Parties

Applicant: European Union Copper Task Force (Springfield, United Kingdom) (represented by: I. Moreno-Tapia Rivas and C. Vila Gisbert, lawyers)

Defendant: European Commission (represented by: F. Castilla Contreras and I. Naglis, acting as Agents)

Interveners in support of the defendant: European Parliament (represented by: L. Stefani, C. Ionescu Dima and A. Tamás, acting as Agents), Council of the European Union (represented by: D. Kornilaki and E. Karlsson, acting as Agents)

Re:

Application under Article 263 TFEU for annulment of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1981 of 13 December 2018 renewing the approval of the active substances copper compounds, as candidates for substitution, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market, and amending the Annex to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011 (OJ 2018 L 317, p. 16).

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

1. Dismisses the action;
2. Orders European Union Copper Task Force to bear its own costs and to pay those incurred by the European Commission;
3. Orders the European Parliament and the Council of the European Union to bear their own costs.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 155, 6.5.2019.

Judgment of the General Court of 29 September 2021 — Front Polisario v Council

(Case T-279/19) ⁽¹⁾

(External relations — International agreements — Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement EC-Morocco — Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters on the amendment of Protocols 1 and 4 to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement — Decision approving the conclusion of the agreement — Action for annulment — Admissibility — Capacity to be a party to legal proceedings — Direct concern — Individual concern — Territorial scope — Jurisdiction — Interpretation of international law adopted by the Court — Principle of self-determination — Principle of the relative effect of treaties — Possibility of relying thereon — Concept of consent — Implementation — Discretion — Limits — Maintaining the effects of the contested decision)

(2021/C 490/32)

Language of the case: French

Parties

Applicant: Front populaire pour la libération de la Saguia el-Hamra et du Rio de oro (Front Polisario) (represented by: G. Devers, lawyer)

Defendant: Council of the European Union (represented by: P. Plaza García and V. Piessevaux, acting as Agents)