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Pursuant to Article 89 of the Constitution of the Republic of Croatia, I hereby issue the

DECISION

PROMULGATING THE ACT ON REGULATORY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

I hereby promulgate the Act on Regulatory Impact Assessment adopted by the Croatian Parliament at its session of 15 July 2011.

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The President of the
Republic of Croatia
Ivo Josipović,
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ACT

ON REGULATORY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Subject-matter of the Act

Article 1

This Act governs the process of regulatory impact assessment, the documents for regulatory impact assessment, the manner of annual planning of normative activities, the bodies competent for regulatory impact assessment, the manner of consulting the public and interested parties in this process, the obligation of professional education and training related to regulatory impact assessment and drafting regulations, and other issues related thereto.

Regulatory impact assessment

Article 2

(1) Regulatory impact assessment is a procedure for adopting decisions on regulations based on evidence and collected relevant data, which will serve as guidelines for choosing the best solution for adopting regulations or taking non-normative activities and measures.

(2) Regulatory impact assessment analyses the positive and negative impacts of regulations on the respective economic sector, including the financial impact, the area of social welfare, the area of environmental protection and an outline of the fiscal impact, parallel with consulting the public and interested parties.

Definitions

Article 3

For the purposes of this Act, the terms below shall have the following meaning:

1. *regulation* means a draft proposal of an act,
2. *qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations* means a central state administration body and any other body which, according to its prescribed scope of work, has the authority to submit a regulation for adoption to the Government of the Republic of Croatia,
3. *competent authorities* means central state administration bodies competent for the following areas: economy, health and social welfare, environmental protection, finance,
4. *Regulatory Impact Assessment Statement* (hereinafter: Statement) means an act which contains the results of the completed regulatory impact assessment procedure,
5. *social impact assessment* means an assessment of the expected regulatory impact on the socially vulnerable and other groups with special interests and needs, and the impact on the health and social status of citizens,
6. *economic impact assessment* means an assessment of the expected regulatory impact on the specific economic sector, that is on the economy of the Republic of Croatia in general, including the financial impact (cost-benefit analysis),
7. *environmental impact assessment* means an assessment of the expected impact on the environment, which includes the impact on the natural habitat of organisms and their communities: air, soil, waters, lithosphere, energy, and material goods and cultural heritage,
8. *non-normative solution* implies the option specified in the Statement proposing that the matter, intended to be governed by a regulation, be solved through relevant activities and measures instead of being governed by the regulation.

Application of the Act

Article 4

(1) This Act shall apply to the procedure of drafting regulations envisaged in the Plan of Normative Activities related to the regulatory impact assessment procedure referred to in

Article 9, paragraph 2, subparagraph 2, of this Act, and to other procedures related to the drafting of regulations and monitoring the implementation thereof, as stipulated in this Act.

(2) This Act shall not apply to the assessment of fiscal impact of a regulation on the State budget, which is prepared and presented according to the Standard methodology form for fiscal impact assessment, in accordance with special regulations.

Application of other regulations and this Act relative to special regulations

Article 5

(1) The issues related to the procedure of drafting and adopting regulations not governed by this Act and its implementing regulation shall be subject to the provisions of the Rules of Procedure of the Government of the Republic of Croatia and the Standing Orders of the Croatian Parliament.

(2) The issues of consultation with the public and interested parties not governed by this Act shall be subject to special regulations and acts governing the informing and participation of the public and interested parties in certain administrative areas.

Goals of regulatory impact assessment

Article 6

(1) The general goal of regulatory impact assessment is to analyse the proposals for possible non-normative solutions and to create a larger number of possible normative solutions when initiating the drafting of regulations, with a view to choosing the optimal solution for achieving the highest possible level of cost-effectiveness and purpose.

(2) Special goals of regulatory impact assessment are the following:

- promoting cooperation and interdepartmental coordination of qualified authorities responsible for drafting regulations for the purpose of simpler and swifter integration of common goals,
- strengthening the transparency in proposing regulations by including the public and interested parties in the process of deciding on the necessity of adopting a regulation,
- contributing to the development of consultation with the public and interested parties in the process of drafting and proposing regulations,
- contributing to effective use of the State budget funds.

II. REGULATORY IMPACT ASSESSMENT DOCUMENTS

Article 7

Regulatory impact assessment documents include:

1. Regulatory Impact Assessment Strategy (hereinafter: Strategy),

2. Regulatory Impact Assessment Action Plan (hereinafter: Action Plan),

3. Report on the Implementation of Regulatory Impact Assessment in the Republic of Croatia (hereinafter: Report).

Strategy, Action Plan, Report

Article 8

(1) The Strategy is directed at the long-term development of the system of regulatory impact assessment in the Republic of Croatia and its feasibility, goals, improving the quality of regulations and building administrative capacities.

(2) The Action Plan specifies priority measures and activities for developing the system for regulatory impact assessment, the manner of implementing measures, the order of achieving measures, the time limits for enforcement, authorities responsible for implementation, an assessment of the funds required to carry out the activities envisaged in the Action Plan and cost-benefit analysis.

(3) The Legislation Office of the Government of the Republic of Croatia (hereinafter: Legislation Office) is the coordinator and qualified authority responsible for drafting the Strategy and the Action Plan in cooperation with the central state administration bodies and other stakeholders.

(4) At the proposal of the Legislation Office, the Strategy and the Action Plan are adopted by the Government of the Republic of Croatia for a three-year period.

(5) The Strategy and the Action Plan shall be published in the Official Gazette.

(6) For the purposes of monitoring the achievement of the goals listed the Strategy and a comprehensive overview of the implementation of the Action Plan, including an overview of the implementation and effectiveness of the regulatory impact assessment system in the Republic of Croatia, the Legislation Office shall coordinate the drafting process and it shall be the qualified authority responsible for the preparation of the Report for a three-year period, which it shall submit to the Government of the Republic of Croatia.

III. PLAN OF NORMATIVE ACTIVITIES

Annual Plan of Normative Activities

Article 9

(1) At the proposal of the Legislation Office, the Government of the Republic of Croatia shall adopt the Annual Plan of normative activities (hereinafter: Annual Plan).

(2) The Annual Plan shall contain:

– the Plan of Normative Activities in the field of Croatian legislation which includes normative activities that are not covered by the Plan referred to in Article 34 of this Act,

– the Plan of Normative Activities related to the regulatory impact assessment procedure, which includes the planned procedures for regulatory impact assessment, the adoption of which is envisaged in the Plan referred to in subparagraph 1 of this paragraph and in the Plan referred to in Article 34 of this Act.

(3) Information about the plans referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article which constitute the Annual Plan are listed according to the respective activities planned in three-month periods.

(4) The Government of the Republic of Croatia shall adopt the Annual Plan in the last quarter of the current budget year for the following budget year.

Obligatory procedure for regulatory impact assessment

Article 10

(1) The procedure for regulatory impact assessment shall be implemented for the regulations that are, within the framework of the Annual Plan, envisaged in the Plan of Normative Activities related to the regulatory impact assessment procedure referred to in Article 9, paragraph 2, subparagraph 2, of this Act.

(2) By way of derogation from paragraph 1 of this Article, the procedure for regulatory impact assessment shall also be implemented on the basis of a conclusion of the Croatian Parliament, or on the basis of a decision or conclusion of the Government of the Republic of Croatia, as specified in Article 13 of this Act.

Preliminary assessment

Article 11

(1) Qualified authorities responsible for drafting regulations, each within the scope of their work, shall establish the Proposal of the Plan of Regulations which needs to be included in the Annual Plan, and within this Proposal they shall propose the regulations which need to be subject to the regulatory impact assessment procedure.

(2) The Proposal of the Plan of Regulations referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be based on the implemented preliminary assessment of possible regulatory impact (hereinafter: preliminary assessment).

(3) The preliminary assessment shall be implemented for all regulations which are intended to be proposed in the Plan of Normative Activities in the field of Croatian legislation as part of the Annual Plan, and for regulations proposed in the Plan of Harmonisation of the Legislation of the Republic of Croatia with the *acquis communautaire* of the European Union referred to in Article 34 of this Act.

(4) The preliminary assessment shall be implemented based on the criteria stipulated in this Act and the regulation referred to in Article 24 of this Act, in accordance with the prescribed form which, essentially, contains normative and other reasons for proposing the adoption of a regulation, propositions regarding the content of the regulation, criteria for an preliminary assessment, and other benchmarks and information pursuant to the regulation referred to in Article 24 of this Act.

(5) Criteria referred to in paragraph 4 of this Article shall comprise:

- adequate financial threshold pertaining to the most significant impact expected in the respected area which is intended to be covered by the regulation,
- expected impact on the respective economic sector, that is on the economy of the Republic of Croatia in general,
- expected impact on socially vulnerable and other groups with special interests and needs, and impact on the health and social status of citizens,
- expected impacts on the environment and sustainable development.

Article 12

(1) Every qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations shall publish the Proposal of the Plan of Regulations referred to in Article 11 of this Act on its website for public information, in the period of at least 15 days, from 1 to 30 September of the current year for the following year.

(2) After the expiry of the time limit referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article, the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations shall submit the Proposal of the Plan of Regulations for opinion to the Legislation Office. Preliminary assessment forms shall be enclosed with the Proposal of the Plan of Regulations for all proposed regulations.

(3) The Legislation Office shall examine the Proposal of the Plan of Regulations and review all received preliminary assessment forms and, as appropriate, require the supplementing or modification of an preliminary assessment for the respective regulation contained in the Proposal of the Plan of Regulations.

(4) Qualified authorities responsible for drafting regulations shall agree on the Proposal of the Plan of Regulations with the Legislation Office by 31 October of the current year, so that it can be included in the Annual Plan for the following year.

Exceptional obligations to implement the regulatory impact assessment procedure

Article 13

(1) By way of derogation from Article 10, paragraph 1, of this Act, the regulatory impact assessment procedure shall also be implemented on the basis of a conclusion of the Croatian Parliament adopted in relation to the activities of the Government of the Republic of Croatia in the institutions of the European Union concerning the proposal of regulations and decisions of the European Union in whose adoption it is involved through its representatives.

(2) By way of derogation from Article 10, paragraph 1, of this Act, the regulatory impact assessment procedure shall also be implemented based on a decision or conclusion of the Government of the Republic of Croatia for the following:

– a regulation adopted in an urgent procedure whose content may have significant impact on the following areas: economy, social welfare, environmental protection and fiscal obligations of the Republic of Croatia,

– an act in force in the Republic of Croatia,

– a regulation or ordinance, which are implementing regulations for acts, regardless of whether they are being drafted or in force, the impact assessment of which was proposed by the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations.

(3) The assessment referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article may be full or partial, according to the respective areas of regulatory impact, in order to allow complete and accurate scrutiny by the proponent of the regulation, the public and interested parties in the justifiability and grounds of the need for changes and/or amendments and, possibly, the adoption of a new regulation in a certain area.

(4) In the case of a regulation proposed for adoption in an urgent procedure, which is not subject to regulatory impact assessment under Article 11, paragraph 1, of this Act nor paragraph 2, subparagraph 1 of this Article, it is obligatory to prepare a preliminary assessment in accordance with the stipulated form. The preliminary assessment shall be enclosed with the draft proposal of the regulation supplied with the final proposal of the regulation. This provision shall not apply in the case of urgent adoption of regulations for immediate elimination of the threat of damage.

IV. COMPETENCE FOR REGULATORY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Article 14

The following shall be responsible for regulatory impact assessment in the Republic of Croatia:

– the Legislation Office,

– qualified authorities responsible for drafting regulations,

– competent authorities.

Legislation Office

Article 15

(1) The Legislation Office shall be competent for coordinating and drafting documents referred to in Articles 8 and 9 of this Act, for granting approval to the Proposal of the Statement and for drafting the implementing regulation adopted under this Act.

(2) The Legislation Office shall be competent for implementing the tasks of professional education and training in the field of regulatory impact assessment and in the field of drafting regulations, for giving opinion on and drafting the necessary acts, for achieving legal and lexical coherence of Croatian legislation, as well as for giving opinions on and drafting the necessary acts for the purpose of legal and lexical alignment of Croatian legislation with the

European Union standards, at the request of the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations, for preparing the Nomotechnical Guidelines as the basis for drafting regulations (hereinafter: Nomotechnical Guidelines).

(3) At the proposal of the Legislation Office, the Government of the Republic of Croatia shall adopt a decision on the Nomotechnical Guidelines.

(4) Apart from the tasks referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article, the Legislation Office shall be competent for other tasks related to the regulatory impact system, which are governed by special regulations specifying the scope of work of the Government of the Republic of Croatia and the scope of work of the Legislation Office.

Qualified authorities responsible for drafting regulations

Article 16

(1) Qualified authorities responsible for drafting regulations shall be competent for preparing a preliminary assessment and the Proposal of the Plan of Regulations for the Annual Plan and for the implementation of the regulatory impact assessment procedure in accordance with this Act and the regulation referred to in Article 24 of this Act.

(2) For the purpose of carrying out the tasks according to the competence specified in paragraph 1 of this Article, the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations shall set up adequate administrative capacities: appoint one professional person – coordinator of the tasks related to the implementation of the regulatory impact assessment procedure (hereinafter: coordinator), or, if deemed necessary, set up the relevant organisational unit.

(3) The coordinator shall hold a degree of at least a graduate university study or integrated undergraduate and graduate university study, and they shall comply with other requirements in accordance with special regulations governing the work status of civil servants.

(4) For the purpose of a sound and comprehensive overview of the matter to be included in the regulation and of the area to be governed by the regulation, the coordinator, or the employees in charge of the tasks of regulatory impact assessment, shall cooperate with the organisational unit at the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations which prepares the drafting of and drafts the regulations, and with other departments in other authorities, depending on the established regulatory impacts.

Competent authorities

Article 17

(1) Competent authorities shall participate in the regulatory impact assessment procedure by examining and giving opinions on the Draft Proposal of the Statement related to the content of the Statement relative to the authority's area of competence, as follows:

– the authority competent for the area of health and social welfare shall give an opinion relative to the established social impact assessment,

– the authority competent for the economy shall give an opinion relative to the established economic impact assessment, including financial impact, and if deemed necessary, it shall include in its opinion the opinion of another authority competent for the respective economic sector,

– the authority competent for environmental protection shall give an opinion relative to the established impact assessment in the field of environmental protection,

– the authority competent for finance shall give an opinion relative to the approximate assessment of the expected fiscal impact on the State budget.

(2) The opinion referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be prepared and drafted by the employees at the competent authority in charge of the tasks of regulatory impact assessment in cooperation with the relevant organisational units of the competent authority, depending on the field covered by the Draft Proposal of the Statement and, if deemed necessary, through interdepartmental cooperation with other authorities, depending on the established impacts.

(3) When the competent authority acts as the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations, it shall not give a separate opinion in the field of its competence relating to the Statement.

V. REGULATORY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Initial activities

Article 18

(1) For the purpose of drawing up the Draft Proposal of the Statement, the regulatory impact assessment procedure shall commence with the following activities:

1. analysis of the present situation which is to be governed by the regulation, including the results of monitoring regulation implementation if the regulation of the relevant content in the same area, which is to be governed in a new regulation, already exists in the legislative system of the Republic of Croatia,

2. overview of the propositions of the content of the regulation listed in preliminary assessment and by establishing the goals which are to be achieved with the regulation,

3. by drawing up at least two proposals pertaining to a non-normative solution and at least two proposals of possible normative solutions, which may result in the set goals,

4. by establishing the most significant positive and negative impacts, particularly the impacts on the respective economic sectors, including financial impacts, the area of social welfare, the area of environmental protection, for each proposed normative solution,

5. approximate assessment of the expected fiscal impact on the State budget.

(2) Together with the Draft Proposal of the Statement, in the phase of drawing it up according to the activities referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article, it is obligatory to supply separately the propositions of the content of the regulation listed in preliminary assessment.

(3) In the process of drawing up the Draft Proposal of the Statement, the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations shall consult interdepartmental bodies and other interested stakeholders, in the manner stipulated in this Act and the regulation referred to in Article 24 of this Act.

(4) The qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations shall draw up the Draft Proposal of the Statement after completing the activities referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article and based on the consultations referred to in paragraph 3 of this Article.

Consultation

Article 19

(1) Qualified authorities responsible for drafting regulations shall consult the public and interested parties about the Draft Proposal of the Statement (hereinafter: consultation) in accordance with this Act and the regulation referred to in Article 24 of this Act.

(2) Consultation shall last up to 30 days, or if the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations deems it necessary, depending on the complexity of the matter, it may last longer.

(3) During the consultation period, the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations shall, through its coordinator and depending on the complexity of the matter governed by the regulation, carry out one or more public presentations of the matter which is the subject of the consultation. For the purpose of implementing the consultation, the Draft Proposal of the Statement with the propositions of the content of the regulation shall be published on the website of the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations.

(4) After completed consultation, the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations shall, through its coordinator, examine all the remarks, proposals and opinions of the public and interested parties concerning the Draft Proposal of the Statement, and it shall notify the public and interested parties by posting on its website the information about the accepted and rejected remarks and proposals.

Obtaining opinion from competent authorities

Article 20

(1) After completing the consultation, the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations shall modify the Draft Proposal of the Statement and, together with the propositions for the content of the regulation, submit them for opinion to the competent authorities.

(2) Competent authorities shall give the opinion referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article within a period of 15 workdays from the day of receipt of the Draft Proposal of the Statement and the propositions of the content of the regulation.

Drafting regulations and the Proposal of the Statement

Article 21

(1) After completing the consultation and obtaining the opinion from the competent authorities concerning the Draft Proposal of the Statement, the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations shall commence with the drafting of the regulation and the Proposal of the Statement.

(2) In the Proposal of the Statement, apart from the content of the Statement according to the activities specified in Article 18 of this Act, the outline of the following shall be provided:

–the information about the consultation – accepted remarks and proposals from the public and interested parties pertaining to the Draft Proposal of the Statement,

– chosen solution to achieve the goals established in the Statement,

– basic indicators for monitoring the implementation of the chosen solution.

(3) By way of exception, the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations shall, as appropriate, together with the Proposal of the Statement provide additional data and information necessary for better understanding of the Statement.

Public discussion about the regulation and Proposal of the Statement

Article 22

(1) After the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations completes the draft regulation and the Proposal of the Statement, it shall make it available for public discussion to the public and interested parties in the duration of no less than 15 days up to no more than 30 days.

(2) The public discussion referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be carried out in the manner specified in this Act for the implementation of the consultation regarding the Draft Proposal of the Statement.

Submitting the regulation and the Proposal of the Statement to the adoption procedure

Article 23

(1) After the public discussion referred to in Article 22 of this Act, the regulation and the Proposal of the Statement shall be submitted for opinion to the relevant and competent authorities and for approval to the Legislation Office, pursuant to this Act and the Rules of Procedure of the Government of the Republic of Croatia.

(2) Qualified authorities responsible for drafting regulations cannot submit the regulation to the adoption procedure to the Government of the Republic of Croatia nor can the regulation be included in the meetings of the working bodies of the Government of the Republic of Croatia unless the Statement is final.

(3) The Statement becomes final after the Proposal of the Statement is given positive opinion from the competent authorities and approved by the Legislation Office.

(4) By way of derogation from paragraph 2 of this Article, the provision of that paragraph shall not apply in the case where the regulation is adopted in an urgent procedure, where it is subject to regulatory impact assessment in accordance with this Act and is adopted to protect the interests of the Republic of Croatia, considerable economic interest in a particular sector, and for the purpose of immediate elimination of the threat of damage.

Implementing regulation

Article 24

More specific criteria for a preliminary assessment, the form used to prepare the preliminary assessment, a more detailed manner and methodology for implementing the assessment procedure, including in the case of an act, regulation or ordinance in force, the Statement form, a detailed manner for the consultation and public discussion in the procedures regulated by this Act and other issues related thereto shall be laid down by the Government of the Republic of Croatia in a regulation.

VI. PROCEDURE WITH REGULATIONS NOT SUBJECT TO REGULATORY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Article 25

In the case of drafting and adopting regulations not subject to regulatory impact assessment pursuant to this Act, the provisions of special regulations and acts by the competent authorities regulating the procedure for the adoption of regulations shall apply.

VII. PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN THE FIELD OF REGULATORY IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND DRAFTING REGULATIONS

Competence and scope of professional education and training

Article 26

(1) The Legislation Office shall implement professional education and training for civil servants and other persons in the field of regulatory impact assessment and in the field of drafting regulations.

(2) Professional education and training referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be implemented through workshops and seminars related to the field of regulatory impact assessment and the field of drafting regulations.

Parties obliged to undergo professional education and training

Article 27

Civil servants, regardless of their job qualification requirements, who are engaged in the professional tasks of regulatory impact assessment, and civil servants who are engaged in the tasks of drafting regulations, shall upgrade and improve their professional knowledge by

attending seminars and professional workshops referred to in Article 26, paragraph 2, of this Act.

VIII. CONTROL

Article 28

Administrative control of the implementation of this Act shall be carried out by the Legislation Office.

IX. TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Adopting documents and implementing regulations from this Act

Article 29

(1) The Government of the Republic of Croatia shall adopt the Strategy and the Action Plan within a period of one year since the day of entry into force of the provisions of Articles 7 and 8 of this Act.

(2) The Government of the Republic of Croatia shall adopt the regulation referred to in Article 24 of this Act within a period of three months since the day of entry into force of the provision of Article 24 of this Act.

(3) The Legislation Office shall propose to the Government of the Republic of Croatia to adopt the Nomotechnical Guidelines referred to in Article 15, paragraph 2, of this Act within a period of one year since the day of entry into force of this Act.

Harmonisation of regulations with this Act

Article 30

(1) For the purpose of harmonisation with this Act, the Government of the Republic of Croatia shall, within a period of three months from the entry into force of this Act, propose the adoption of the Act on Amendments to the Act on the Government of the Republic of Croatia.

(2) The Government of the Republic of Croatia shall harmonise the Rules of Procedure of the Government of the Republic of Croatia with this Act within a period of three months from the entry into force of this Act.

Article 31

(1) The Government of the Republic of Croatia shall harmonise with this Act the Regulation on the Legislation Office within a period of 30 days after the entry into force of this provision.

(2) Depending on the estimated requirements, qualified authorities responsible for drafting regulations shall harmonise with this Act the provisions on internal organisation within a period of six months from the entry into force of this Act.

Application of the present regulations

Article 32

Until the entry into force of the provision from Article 34 of this Act, the regulations contingent on regulatory impact assessment shall be subject to the decisions of the Government of the Republic of Croatia specifying the procedure using:

- the Standard methodology form for environmental impact assessment (Official Gazette 57/07),
- the Standard methodology form for social impact assessment (Official Gazette 38/07).

Obligation to provide adequate administrative capacities

Article 33

(1) Qualified authorities responsible for drafting regulations shall provide adequate administrative capacities to perform the tasks of regulatory impact assessment requiring a certain level of independence and connection in work – specify a coordinator and set up an adequate organisational unit to carry out procedures under this Act and its implementing regulation, within a period of six months from the day of entry into force of this Act.

(2) The head of the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations shall assess the manner for carrying out the obligation referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article, taking into account the available administrative capacity of the qualified authority responsible for drafting regulations.

Article 34

Qualified authorities responsible for drafting regulations, with regard to the regulations aligning the legislation of the Republic of Croatia with the legislation of the European Union, shall continue, even after the entry into force of this Act, all their activities related to the preparation of the Plan of Harmonisation of the Legislation of the Republic of Croatia with the *acquis communautaire* of the European Union, adopted by the Croatian Parliament for the period of one budget year.

Article 35

This Act shall enter into force on 1 January 2012, save for Article 13, paragraph 1, of this Act, which shall enter into force on the day of accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union, and Articles 7, 8, 24 and 31, paragraph 1, of this Act, which shall enter into force on the eighth day after the publication of this Act in the Official Gazette.

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