
Suspension of procedural terms (deadlines) under the Emergency Measures and Actions during the State of Emergency Act

According to the final text of Art. 3 of the Emergency Measures and Actions during the State of Emergency Act (the "Act"), for the period of March 13 2020 until the state of emergency is finally abolished, shall cease to run, except the originally stated deadlines in the draft of the Act (procedural deadlines for judicial, arbitration and enforcement proceedings, except for the deadlines in criminal cases for imposition of coercive measures and under the Law on Extradition and the European Order for arrest), also:

- **the limitation periods** provided in normative acts, with the expiry of which rights are extinguished or terminated or obligations arise for individuals, with the exception of the time limits under the Penal Code and the Law on Administrative Offenses and Sanctions;
- **the deadlines for the implementation of instructions given by an administrative authority to parties or participants in proceedings**, with the exception of proceedings under the European Structural and Investment Funds Management Act;
- **the deadlines** under Chapter Five, Sections I and III, Chapter Eight, Section V, Chapter Ten and Chapter Twelve, Sections I, II and IV of the **Anti-Corruption Law and the Forfeiture of Illegally Acquired Property, with the exception of the term under Art. 38, para. 1, item 2 of the same law** - these are the deadlines provided for the filing of declarations by persons holding high public positions, the deadlines for proceedings for establishing conflicts of interest, for proceedings for seizure of illegally acquired property and related security measures.;
- **the deadlines of art. 175c, para. 1 - 3 of the Judiciary Act**, with the exception of the term under Art. 175c, para. 1, item 2 of the same law - these are the deadlines for submitting different types of declarations by judges, prosecutors and investigators before the Inspectorate to the Supreme Judicial Council;

In addition, the deputies also adopted Article 4, according to which **are extended, by one month from the abolishment of the state of emergency, the deadlines set by law, beyond those already listed in Art. 3, which expire during the state of emergency and are related to the exercise of rights or fulfillment of obligations of individuals**. The duration of the administrative acts shall be extended by one month, which is limited in time and shall expire during the state of emergency.

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The above provides general information related to the adoption of the Emergency Measures and Actions during the State of Emergency Act and it is not exhaustive, whereas it serves only as a guide for interpreting the news as of March 26, 2020