

The representatives of employees, employers and of the Government of the Republic of Slovenia have unanimously adopted the

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES of Procedure of the Economic and Social Council**

### **Article 1**

In indent one of paragraph one of Article 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the Economic and Social Council (Official gazette of the Republic of Slovenia [*Uradni list RS*], Nos 1/17 and 69/19), the text "and during the public debate by formulating positions, opinions and recommendations on working papers, drafts, proposals for acts, decrees and orders in the field of the ESC's activities" shall be replaced by "the formal public debate by formulating positions, opinions and recommendations on proposals for laws, decrees, orders and other acts relating to the main economic and social areas with which the ESC is concerned".

In indent three, the full stop at the end shall be replaced by a comma and a new indent four shall be added to read as follows:

"–discuss the starting points for amendments to regulations in the field of the ESC's activities, which the Government of the Republic of Slovenia adopts at its session and submits to the ESC College for consideration.".

### **Article 2**

The third sentence in paragraph two of Article 5 shall be amended to read as follows:

"Each member may have two alternates if the ESC College so decides."

### **Article 3**

A new paragraph six shall be added after paragraph five of Article 8 to read as follows:

"(6) In order to make the work of the ESC more efficient, the ESC College shall determine the future topics to be considered by the ESC on the basis of a list of regulations submitted monthly by the Government of the Republic of Slovenia and to be drawn up by the line ministries in the next two months. This does not exclude the consideration of other laws, implementing regulations or other acts governing subject matter referred to in paragraph two of Article 3 of these Rules. Nor does the preceding paragraph exclude the right of an individual social partner to propose that a particular subject matter be considered at a session of the ESC."

The current paragraphs six, seven, eight, nine and ten shall become paragraphs seven, eight, nine, ten and eleven.

### **Article 4**

A new Article 13a shall be added after Article 13 to read as follows:

**"Declaration of coordination  
Article 13a**

(1) After the ESC completes the coordination of a law, an implementing regulation and another regulation or act, the working body shall draw up and sign a declaration of coordination, which shall clearly indicate which articles are coordinated and which are not, and in the case of non-coordinated articles, include statements of the individual partners with regard to the non-coordinated article or solution.

(2) The declaration of coordination shall include an indication of the duration of the coordination and the parties involved in the coordination and shall be attached to the minutes of the session of the ESC at which the final proposal for an act, implementing regulation or another regulation is discussed. After approval, the minutes of the session of the ESC, which show the positions of the individual members of the ESC, together with the declaration of coordination, shall be submitted to the Government of the Republic of Slovenia and the National Assembly."

**Article 5**

After Article 19, a new Section 10 and a new Article 19a shall be inserted to read as follows:

**"10. VERIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH THE RULES  
Article 19a**

(1) Compliance with the Rules of Procedure of the ESC shall be verified at each session of the ESC College. In the event of alleged breaches of the Rules of Procedure of the ESC or decisions adopted at a session of the ESC, the breach alleged by one of the social partners shall first be attempted to be resolved by the ESC College. If the ESC College fails to find a solution, a tripartite meeting with the minister responsible for social dialogue, the minister of the relevant line ministry or the Prime Minister shall be organised at the request of the social partner within two weeks at the latest, with a view to preventing social dialogue from being suspended again.

(2) If the ESC College fails to find a solution, the Government of the Republic of Slovenia and the social partners may agree to obtain an expert opinion on the alleged violation of the Rules of Procedure of the ESC from an expert designated by agreement among the members of the ESC College."

FINAL PROVISION

**Article 6**

These amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Economic and Social Council shall enter into force on the day following their publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia.

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