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**(VENICE COMMISSION)**

**COMPARATIVE TABLE  
WITH RESPECT TO THE DRAFT LAW  
ON AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION  
OF UKRAINE**

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<p><b>Article 81.</b> The authority of People’s Deputies of Ukraine terminates simultaneously with the termination of authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</p> <p>The authority of a People’s Deputy of Ukraine shall terminate prior to the expiration of his/her term in office if:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) he/she resigns by lodging a personal application;</li> <li>2) a guilty verdict against him/her takes effect;</li> <li>3) a court declares him/her incapacitated or missing;</li> <li>4) termination of his/her citizenship or his/her departure from Ukraine for permanent residence abroad;</li> <li>5) he/she fails, within twenty days from the date of the emergence of circumstances leading to the infringement of requirements concerning the incompatibility of the deputy’s mandate with other types of activity, to rectify such circumstances;</li> <li><u>6) his or her failure, as having been elected from a political party an electoral bloc of political parties), to join the people’s deputies’ faction representing the same political party the same electoral bloc of political parties) or his/her secession from such a faction;</u></li> <li><u>7) he/she dies.</u></li> </ol> <p>The pre-term termination of the authority of a People’s Deputy of Ukraine shall also be caused by the early termination, under the Constitution of Ukraine, of authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, with such termination of the Deputy’s authority taking effect on the date when the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of a new convocation opens its first meeting.</p> <p>A decision on pre-term termination of the authority of a People’s Deputy of Ukraine on grounds referred to in subparagraphs 1), 4) of Part Two of this Article shall be made by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, while the ground referred to in subparagraph 5) of Part Two of this Article shall be a matter to be decided by court.</p> <p>Where a guilty verdict against a People’s Deputy of Ukraine becomes legally effective or where a court declares a People’s Deputy of Ukraine incapacitated or missing, his/her powers terminate at the date when the court decision becomes legally effective, while in the event of the Deputy’s death – at the date of his/her death as certified by</p>	<p><b>Article 81.</b> The authority of People’s Deputies of Ukraine terminates simultaneously with the termination of authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</p> <p>The authority of a People’s Deputy of Ukraine shall terminate prior to the expiration of his/her term in office if:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) he/she resigns by lodging a personal application;</li> <li>2) a guilty verdict against him/her takes effect;</li> <li>3) a court declares him/her incapacitated or missing;</li> <li>4) termination of his/her citizenship or his/her departure from Ukraine for permanent residence abroad;</li> <li>5) he/she fails, within twenty days from the date of the emergence of circumstances leading to the infringement of requirements concerning the incompatibility of the deputy’s mandate with other types of activity, to rectify such circumstances;</li> </ol> <p><b>delete</b></p> <p><b>6) he/she dies.</b></p> <p>The pre-term termination of the authority of a People’s Deputy of Ukraine shall also be caused by the early termination, under the Constitution of Ukraine, of authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, with such termination of the Deputy’s authority taking effect on the date when the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of a new convocation opens its first meeting.</p> <p>A decision on pre-term termination of the authority of a People’s Deputy of Ukraine on grounds referred to in subparagraphs 1), 4) of Part Two of this Article shall be made by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, while the ground referred to in subparagraph 5) of Part Two of this Article shall be a matter to be decided by court.</p> <p>Where a guilty verdict against a People’s Deputy of Ukraine becomes legally effective or where a court declares a People’s Deputy of Ukraine incapacitated or missing, his/her powers terminate at the date when the court decision becomes legally effective, while in the event of the Deputy’s death – at the date of his/her death as certified by</p>

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<p>the relevant document.</p> <p><u>Where a People’s Deputy of Ukraine, as having been elected from a political party (an electoral bloc of political parties), fails to join the people’s deputies’ faction representing the same political party (the same electoral bloc of political parties) or exits from such a faction, the highest steering body of the respective political party (electoral bloc of political parties) shall decide to terminate early his or her authority on the basis of a law, with the termination taking effect on the date of such a decision.</u></p> <p><b>Article 82.</b> The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine works in sessions.</p> <p><u>The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine is competent if at least two-thirds of its constitutional composition have been elected.</u></p> <p>The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine assembles for its first session no later than on the thirtieth day after the official announcement of the election results.</p> <p>The first meeting of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine is opened by the eldest People’s Deputy of Ukraine.</p> <p><b>Article 83.</b> Regular sessions of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine commence on the first Tuesday of February and on the first Tuesday of September each year.</p> <p>Special sessions of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, with the stipulation of their agenda, are convoked by the Chairperson of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, on the request of the President of Ukraine or on the request of at least one-third of a total constitutional number of People’s Deputies of Ukraine.</p> <p>If the President of Ukraine declares, by proclaiming a decree, a state of martial law or of emergency upon the whole territory of Ukraine or in some areas of the State, the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall assemble within two days without convocation.</p> <p>If the term of authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine expires while the state of martial law or of emergency is in effect, its powers are extended until the day when the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine elected after the cancellation of the state of martial law or of emergency convenes its first meeting of the first</p>	<p>the relevant document</p> <p><b>delete</b></p> <p><b>Article 82.</b>The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine works in sessions.</p> <p><b>The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine is competent if at least two-thirds of a total constitutional number of People's Deputies have been elected and taken oath.</b></p> <p>The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine assembles for its first session no later than on the thirtieth day after the official announcement of the election results.</p> <p>The first meeting of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine is opened by the eldest People’s Deputy of Ukraine.</p> <p><b>Article 83.</b> Regular sessions of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine commence on the first Tuesday of February and on the first Tuesday of September each year.</p> <p>Special sessions of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, with the stipulation of their agenda, are convoked by the Chairperson of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, on the request of the President of Ukraine or on the request of at least one-third of a total constitutional number of People’s Deputies of Ukraine.</p> <p>If the President of Ukraine declares, by proclaiming a decree, a state of martial law or of emergency upon the whole territory of Ukraine or in some areas of the State, the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall assemble within two days without convocation.</p> <p>If the term of authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine expires while the state of martial law or of emergency is in effect, its powers are extended until the day when the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine elected after the cancellation of the state of martial law or of emergency convenes its first meeting of the first</p>

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<p>session.</p> <p><u>The Constitution of Ukraine and the Rules of Procedure the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall establish proceedings of the Verkhovna Rada.</u></p> <p><u>According to election results and on the basis of a common ground achieved between various political positions, a coalition of people's deputies' factions shall be formed in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine to include a majority of People's Deputies of Ukraine within the constitutional composition of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</u></p> <p><u>A coalition of people's deputies' factions in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall be formed within a month from the date of the first meeting of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine to be held following regular or special elections to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, or within a month from the date when activities of a coalition of people's deputies' factions in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine terminated.</u></p> <p><u>Under this Constitution, a coalition of people's deputies' factions in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine submits to the President of Ukraine proposals concerning a candidature for the office of the Prime Minister of Ukraine and also, under this Constitution, submits proposals concerning candidatures for the membership of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.</u></p> <p><u>Principles for forming, organising, and terminating activities of a coalition of people's deputies' factions in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall be established by the Constitution of Ukraine and the Rules of Procedure of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</u></p> <p><u>A people's deputies' faction in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine whose members make up a majority of the constitutional composition of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall enjoy the same rights under this Constitution as a coalition of people's deputies' factions in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</u></p> <p><b>Article 85.</b> The authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine comprises:</p> <p>1) introducing amendments to the Constitution of Ukraine within</p>	<p>session.</p> <p><b>On the basis of a common ground achieved between various political positions, a parliamentary coalition shall be formed in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine to include a majority of People's Deputies of Ukraine within the constitutional composition of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</b></p> <p><b>Under the Constitution, the parliamentary coalition in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine submits to the President of Ukraine proposals concerning a candidature for the office of the Prime Minister of Ukraine and also, under the Constitution of Ukraine, the Prime Minister submits proposals concerning candidatures for the membership of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.</b></p> <p><b>A parliamentary coalition in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall be formed within thirty days from the date of the first meeting of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine to be held following regular or special elections to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, or within thirty days from the date when activities of a parliamentary coalition in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine terminated.</b></p> <p><b>Activities of a parliamentary opposition are guaranteed in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</b></p> <p><b>Organization and procedures of a parliamentary coalition and parliamentary opposition in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall be established by law on the Rules of Procedure of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</b></p> <p><b>delete</b></p> <p><b>Article 85.</b> The authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine comprises:</p> <p>1) introducing amendments to the Constitution of Ukraine within</p>

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<p>the limits and under the procedure specified in Section 13 of this Constitution;</p> <p>2) instituting an All-Ukrainian referendum on issues referred to in Article 73 of this Constitution;</p> <p>3) adopting laws;</p> <p>4) approving the State Budget of Ukraine and introducing amendments thereto; exercising control over the implementation of the State Budget of Ukraine and adopting decision in regard to the report on its implementation;</p> <p>5) determining the principles of domestic and foreign policy;</p> <p>6) approving national programmes of economic, R&amp;D, technical, social, cultural development, and of the environmental protection;</p> <p>7) calling elections of the President of Ukraine within the terms specified in this Constitution;</p> <p>8) hearing annual and special messages of the President of Ukraine on the internal and external situation of Ukraine;</p> <p>9) declaring war upon the submission of the President of Ukraine and concluding peace; approving a decision of the President of Ukraine on the use of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and other military formations in the event of armed aggression against Ukraine;</p> <p>10) removing the President of Ukraine from office under a special procedure (impeachment) as provided for in Article 111 of this Constitution;</p> <p>11) considering and adopting a decision in regard to the approval of the Programme of Activity of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine;</p> <p>12) <u>appointing to office - upon the submission by the President of Ukraine - the Prime Minister of Ukraine', the Minister of Defence of Ukraine, and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine; 'appointing to office - upon the submission by the Prime Minister of Ukraine - 'other members of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, the Chairperson of the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine, the Head of the State Committee on Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine, and the Chairperson of the State Property Fund of Ukraine; deciding on dismissal from office the officials mentioned above; deciding on the resignation of the Prime Minister of Ukraine and of members of the Cabinet of Ministers of</u></p>	<p>the limits and under the procedure specified in Section 13 of this Constitution;</p> <p>2) instituting an All-Ukrainian referendum on issues referred to in Article 73 of this Constitution;</p> <p>3) adopting laws;</p> <p>4) approving the State Budget of Ukraine and introducing amendments thereto; exercising control over the implementation of the State Budget of Ukraine and adopting decision in regard to the report on its implementation;</p> <p>5) determining the principles of domestic and foreign policy;</p> <p>6) approving national programmes of economic, R&amp;D, technical, social, cultural development, and of the environmental protection;</p> <p>7) calling elections of the President of Ukraine within the terms specified in this Constitution;</p> <p>8) hearing annual and special messages of the President of Ukraine on the internal and external situation of Ukraine;</p> <p>9) declaring war upon the submission of the President of Ukraine and concluding peace; approving a decision of the President of Ukraine on the use of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and other military formations in the event of armed aggression against Ukraine;</p> <p>10) removing the President of Ukraine from office under a special procedure (impeachment) as provided for in Article 111 of this Constitution;</p> <p>11) considering and adopting a decision in regard to the approval of the Programme of Activity of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine;</p> <p><b>12) appointing to office - upon the submission of the President of Ukraine - the Prime Minister of Ukraine'; appointing to office and deciding on the resignation of members of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine upon the submission of the Prime Minister of Ukraine; dismissing them from office; deciding on the resignation of the Prime Minister of Ukraine;</b></p>

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<p><u>Ukraine;</u> 12<sup>1</sup>) appointing to office and dismissing from office the Head of the Security Service of Ukraine upon the submission of the President of Ukraine;</p> <p>13) exercising control over activities of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, in accordance with this Constitution and law;</p> <p>14) approving decisions on loans and economic aid to be granted by Ukraine to foreign states and international organisations and also decisions on the receipt by Ukraine of loans not envisaged by the State Budget of Ukraine from foreign states, banks and international financial organisations; exercising control over the use of such funds;</p> <p><u>15) adopting the Rules of Procedure of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</u></p> <p>16) appointing to office and dismissing from office the Chairperson and other members of the Chamber of Accounting;</p> <p>17) appointing to office and dismissing from office the Authorised Human Rights Representative of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine; hearing his/her annual reports on the situation with regard to the observance and protection of human rights and freedoms in Ukraine;</p> <p>18) appointing to office and dismissing from office the Chairperson of the National Bank of Ukraine upon the submission by the President of Ukraine;</p> <p>19) appointing and dismissing a half of the membership of the Council of the National Bank of Ukraine;</p> <p>20) appointing and dismissing a half of the membership of the National Council of Ukraine on Television and Radio Broadcasting;</p> <p>21) appointing to office and dismissing from office the members of the Central Electoral Commission upon the submission of the President of Ukraine;</p> <p>22) approving the general structure and numerical strength of the Security Service of Ukraine, the Armed Forces of Ukraine, other military</p>	<p><b>12<sup>1</sup>) granting consent to appointment of the Head of the Security Service of Ukraine by the President of Ukraine;</b></p> <p><b>12<sup>2</sup>) granting consent to appointment of the Head of the State Bureau of Investigation by the President of Ukraine; voting no confidence in the Head of the State Bureau of Investigation, which shall result in his/her resignation;</b></p> <p>13) exercising control over activities of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, in accordance with this Constitution and law;</p> <p>14) approving decisions on loans and economic aid to be granted by Ukraine to foreign states and international organisations and also decisions on the receipt by Ukraine of loans not envisaged by the State Budget of Ukraine from foreign states, banks and international financial organisations; exercising control over the use of such funds;</p> <p><b>15) adopting a law on the Rules of Procedure of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</b></p> <p>16) appointing to office and dismissing from office the Chairperson and other members of the Chamber of Accounting;</p> <p>17) appointing to office and dismissing from office the Authorised Human Rights Representative of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine; hearing his/her annual reports on the situation with regard to the observance and protection of human rights and freedoms in Ukraine;</p> <p>18) appointing to office and dismissing from office the Chairperson of the National Bank of Ukraine upon the submission by the President of Ukraine;</p> <p>19) appointing and dismissing a half of the membership of the Council of the National Bank of Ukraine;</p> <p>20) appointing and dismissing a half of the membership of the National Council of Ukraine on Television and Radio Broadcasting;</p> <p>21) appointing to office and dismissing from office the members of the Central Electoral Commission upon the submission of the President of Ukraine;</p> <p>22) approving the general structure and numerical strength of the Security Service of Ukraine, the Armed Forces of Ukraine, other military</p>

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<p>formations created in accordance with laws of Ukraine, and of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine, as well as defining their functions;</p> <p>23) approving decisions on providing military assistance to other states, on sending units of the Armed Forces of Ukraine to a foreign state, or on admitting units of armed forces of foreign states onto the territory of Ukraine;</p> <p>24) establishing national symbols of Ukraine;</p> <p><u>25) granting consent for the appointment to office or dismissing from office by the President of Ukraine of the Prosecutor General of Ukraine; taking a vote of no confidence in the Prosecutor General of Ukraine, the result of which shall be his/her resignation from office;</u></p> <p>26) appointing and dismissing one-third of the members of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine;</p> <p>27) electing judges for life terms;</p> <p><u>28) causing the early termination of the authority of the Verkhovna Rada of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea where the Constitutional Court of Ukraine finds that the Verkhovna Rada of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea has violated the Constitution of Ukraine or laws of Ukraine; calling special elections to the Verkhovna Rada of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea;</u></p> <p>29) establishing and abolishing districts, establishing and altering the boundaries of districts and cities, assigning localities to the category of cities, naming and renaming localities and districts;</p> <p>30) calling regular and special elections to local governments;</p> <p>31) giving its approval to decrees of the President of Ukraine - within two days from the moment of the President's address - on imposing a state of martial law or emergency in Ukraine or in its some areas, on declaring total or partial mobilisation, and on declaring particular areas to be ecological emergency zones;</p> <p>32) granting consent – by adopting a law – to the binding character of international treaties of 'Ukraine and denouncing international treaties of Ukraine;</p> <p>33) exercising parliamentary control within the scope provided for by this Constitution and the law;</p> <p>34) adopting decisions on forwarding an inquiry to the President of Ukraine at the request of a People's Deputy of Ukraine, a group of</p>	<p>formations created in accordance with laws of Ukraine, and of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine, as well as defining their functions;</p> <p>23) approving decisions on providing military assistance to other states, on sending units of the Armed Forces of Ukraine to a foreign state, or on admitting units of armed forces of foreign states onto the territory of Ukraine;</p> <p>24) establishing national symbols of Ukraine;</p> <p><b>25) granting consent for the appointment to office of the Prosecutor General of Ukraine by the President of Ukraine ; taking a vote of no confidence in the Prosecutor General of Ukraine, the result of which shall be his/her resignation from office;</b></p> <p>26) appointing and dismissing one-third of the members of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine;</p> <p>27) electing judges for life terms;</p> <p><b>28) calling special elections to the Verkhovna Rada of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea;</b></p> <p>29) establishing and abolishing districts, establishing and altering the boundaries of districts and cities, assigning localities to the category of cities, naming and renaming localities and districts;</p> <p>30) calling regular and special elections to local governments;</p> <p>31) giving its approval to decrees of the President of Ukraine - within two days from the moment of the President's address - on imposing a state of martial law or emergency in Ukraine or in its some areas, on declaring total or partial mobilisation, and on declaring particular areas to be ecological emergency zones;</p> <p>32) granting consent – by adopting a law – to the binding character of international treaties of 'Ukraine and denouncing international treaties of Ukraine;</p> <p>33) exercising parliamentary control within the scope provided for by this Constitution and the law;</p> <p>34) adopting decisions on forwarding an inquiry to the President of Ukraine at the request of a People's Deputy of Ukraine, a group of</p>

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<p>People's Deputies or a Committee of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, provided that such a request has been previously supported by at least one-third of the constitutional composition of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</p> <p>35) appointing to office and dismissing from office the Head of Staff of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine; approving the budget of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and its staff structure;</p> <p>36) approving the list of facilities owned by the State that are not subject to privatisation; establishing legal principles of the expropriation of facilities in private ownership";</p> <p>37) approving – by adopting a respective law – of the Constitution of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and amendments thereto.</p> <p>The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall also exercise other powers falling within its competence under the Constitution of Ukraine.</p> <p><b>Article 88.</b> The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine elects from among its members the Chairperson of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the First Deputy Chairperson and the Deputy Chairperson of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, and recalls them from these offices.</p> <p>The Chairperson of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) presides at meetings of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</li> <li>2) organises work of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and coordinates activities of its bodies;</li> <li>3) signs acts adopted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</li> <li>4) represents the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine in relations with other government authorities of Ukraine and with government authorities of other states;</li> <li>5) organises the work of the staff of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</li> </ol> <p>The Chairperson of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine exercises authority established by this Constitution according to the procedure <u>established by the Rules of Procedure of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</u></p> <p><b>Article 90.</b> The authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine is terminated on the day of the opening of the first meeting of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of a new convocation.</p> <p>The President of Ukraine may terminate the authority of the</p>	<p>People's Deputies or a Committee of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, provided that such a request has been previously supported by at least one-third of the constitutional composition of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</p> <p>35) appointing to office and dismissing from office the Head of Staff of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine; approving the budget of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and its staff structure;</p> <p>36) approving the list of facilities owned by the State that are not subject to privatisation; establishing legal principles of the expropriation of facilities in private ownership";</p> <p>37) approving – by adopting a respective law – the Constitution of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and amendments thereto.</p> <p>The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall also exercise other powers falling within its competence under the Constitution of Ukraine.</p> <p><b>Article 88.</b> The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine elects from among its members the Chairperson of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the First Deputy Chairperson and the Deputy Chairperson of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, and recalls them from these offices.</p> <p>The Chairperson of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) presides at meetings of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</li> <li>2) organises work of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and coordinates activities of its bodies;</li> <li>3) signs acts adopted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</li> <li>4) represents the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine in relations with other government authorities of Ukraine and with government authorities of other states;</li> <li>5) organises the work of the staff of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</li> </ol> <p>The Chairperson of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine exercises authority envisaged by this Constitution according to the procedure <b>established by the law on the Rules of Procedure of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</b></p> <p><b>Article 90.</b> The authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine is terminated on the day of the opening of the first meeting of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of a new convocation.</p> <p>The President of Ukraine may terminate the authority of the</p>



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<p>Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine prior to the expiration of its term if:</p> <p><u>1) within one month the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine fails to form a coalition of people's deputies' factions according to Article 83 of this Constitution;</u></p> <p><u>2) members of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine have not been appointed within sixty days following resignation of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine;</u></p> <p>3) the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine fails to commence its plenary meetings within thirty days of a single regular session.</p> <p>The President of Ukraine shall make a decision on the early termination of the authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine following relevant consultations with the Chairperson and Deputy Chairpersons of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and with chairpersons of <u>people's deputies' factions</u> in the Verkhovna Rada.</p> <p>The authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine elected at special elections conducted after the pre-term termination by the President of Ukraine of authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of the previous convocation may not be terminated within one year from the day of its election.</p> <p>The authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall not be terminated during the last six months of the term of authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine or of the President of Ukraine.</p> <p><b>Article 106.</b> President of Ukraine:</p> <p>1) ensures state independence, national security and the legal succession of the state;</p> <p>2) addresses the people with messages and the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine with annual and special messages on the domestic and foreign situation of Ukraine;</p> <p>3) represents the state in international relations, administers the foreign political activity of the State, conducts negotiations and concludes international treaties of Ukraine;</p> <p>4) adopts decisions on the recognition of foreign states;</p> <p>5) appoints and dismisses heads of diplomatic missions of</p>	<p>Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine prior to the expiration of its term if:</p> <p><b>1) within thirty days the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine fails to form a coalition of parliamentary factions according to Article 83 of this Constitution;</b></p> <p><b>2) members of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine have not been appointed within sixty days following divestment of the authority of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine according to Part One, Article 115 of the Constitution of Ukraine or following resignation of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine;</b></p> <p>3) the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine fails to commence its plenary meetings within thirty days of a single regular session.</p> <p>The President of Ukraine shall make a decision on the early termination of the authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine following relevant consultations with the Chairperson and Deputy Chairpersons of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and with chairpersons of <b>parliamentary factions</b> in the Verkhovna Rada.</p> <p>The authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine elected at special elections conducted after the pre-term termination by the President of Ukraine of authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of the previous convocation may not be terminated within one year from the day of its election.</p> <p>The authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine shall not be terminated during the last six months of the term of authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine or of the President of Ukraine.</p> <p><b>Article 106.</b> President of Ukraine:</p> <p>1) ensures state independence, national security and the legal succession of the state;</p> <p>2) addresses the people with messages and the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine with annual and special messages on the domestic and foreign situation of Ukraine;</p> <p>3) represents the state in international relations, administers the foreign political activity of the State, conducts negotiations and concludes international treaties of Ukraine;</p> <p>4) adopts decisions on the recognition of foreign states;</p> <p>5) appoints and dismisses heads of diplomatic missions of</p>

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<p>Ukraine to other states and to international organisations; accepts credentials and letters of recall of diplomatic representatives of foreign states;</p> <p>6) designates an All-Ukrainian referendum regarding amendments to the Constitution of Ukraine in accordance with Article 156 of this Constitution, proclaims an All-Ukrainian referendum on popular initiative;</p> <p>7) designates special elections to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine within the terms established by this Constitution;</p> <p>8) terminates the authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine in cases specified by this Constitution;</p> <p>9) <u>puts forward, upon the proposal by the people's deputies' coalition formed in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine as provided for by Article 83 of the Constitution of Ukraine, the submission on the appointment by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of the Prime Minister of Ukraine no later than fifteen days after the receipt of such a proposal;</u></p> <p>10) <u>puts forward to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine the submission on the appointment of the Minister of Defence of Ukraine and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine;</u></p> <p>11) <u>appoints to office and dismisses from office the Prosecutor General of Ukraine subject to consent of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</u></p> <p>12) appoints and dismisses one-half of the composition of the Council of the National Bank of Ukraine;</p>	<p>Ukraine to other states and to international organisations; accepts credentials and letters of recall of diplomatic representatives of foreign states;</p> <p>6) designates an All-Ukrainian referendum regarding amendments to the Constitution of Ukraine in accordance with Article 156 of this Constitution, proclaims an All-Ukrainian referendum on popular initiative;</p> <p>7) designates special elections to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine within the terms established by this Constitution;</p> <p>8) terminates the authority of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine in cases specified by this Constitution;</p> <p><b>8<sup>1</sup>) terminates early the authority of the Verkhovna Rada of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea or a local government in cases established by this Constitution;</b></p> <p><b>9) puts forward, upon the proposal by the parliamentary coalition formed in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the submission on appointment by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of the Prime Minister of Ukraine no later than fifteen days after the receipt of such a proposal;</b></p> <p><b>9<sup>1</sup>) approves the submission of the Prime Minister of Ukraine on appointment of the Minister of Defence and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</b></p> <p><b>9<sup>2</sup>) appoints and dismisses from office the Chairperson of the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine, heads and members of national commissions regulating the natural monopolies, communications, information penetration as well as securities and financial services markets;</b></p> <p><b>10) appoints and dismisses from office regional representatives of the President of Ukraine;</b></p> <p><b>11) appoints to office, subject to consent of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, and dismisses from office the Prosecutor General of Ukraine;</b></p> <p><b>12) puts forward the submission on appointment and dismissal by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of the Chairperson of</b></p>

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<p>13) appoints and dismisses one-half of the composition of the National Council of Ukraine on Television and Radio Broadcasting;</p> <p><u>14) puts forward to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine the submission on the appointment to office and dismissal from office of the Head of the Security Service of Ukraine;</u></p>	<p><b>the National Bank of Ukraine;</b> appoints to office and dismisses from office one-half of the composition of the Council of the National Bank of Ukraine;</p> <p>13) appoints and dismisses one-half of the composition of the National Council of Ukraine on Television and Radio Broadcasting;</p> <p><b>14) appoints to office, subject to consent of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, and dismisses from office the Head of the Security Service of Ukraine;</b></p> <p><b>14<sup>1</sup>) appoints to office and dismisses from office the Head of Foreign Intelligence Service of Ukraine;</b></p> <p><b>14<sup>2</sup>) appoints to office, subject to consent of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, and dismisses from office the Head of the State Bureau of Investigation;</b></p>
<p>15) suspends the operation of acts by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine on grounds of their inconsistency with this Constitution and challenges concurrently the constitutionality of such acts before the Constitutional Court of Ukraine;</p> <p>16) revokes acts of the Council of Ministers of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea;</p> <p>17) is the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of Ukraine; appoints to office and dismisses from office the high command of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and other military formations; administers in the spheres of national security and defence of the State;</p> <p>18) chairs the Council of National Security and Defence of Ukraine;</p>	<p>15) suspends the validity of acts by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine on grounds of their inconsistency with this Constitution and challenges concurrently the constitutionality of such acts before the Constitutional Court of Ukraine;</p> <p>16) revokes acts of the Council of Ministers of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea; <b>on the motion of a representative of the President of Ukraine in the corresponding region suspends the validity of the decision of the Verkhovna Rada of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea or a local self-government agency on grounds of their inconsistency with this Constitution and challenges concurrently the constitutionality of such acts before the Constitutional Court of Ukraine;</b></p> <p>17) is the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of Ukraine; appoints to office and dismisses from office the high command of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and other military formations; administers in the areas of national security and defence of the State;</p> <p>18) chairs the Council of National Security and Defence of Ukraine;</p>

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<p>19) submits the motion to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine on the declaration of a state of war, and, in case of armed aggression against Ukraine, adopts a decision on the use of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and other military formations established in accordance with laws of Ukraine;</p> <p>20) adopts a decision in accordance with the law on the general or partial mobilisation and the introduction of martial law in Ukraine or in its particular areas, in the event of a threat of aggression, danger to the state independence of Ukraine;</p> <p>21) adopts a decision, in the event of necessity, on the introduction of a state of emergency in Ukraine or in its particular areas, and also in the event of necessity, declares certain areas of Ukraine as zones of an ecological emergency situation — with subsequent approval of these decisions by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</p> <p>22) appoints and dismisses one-third of the composition to the Constitutional Court of Ukraine;</p> <p>23) establishes courts by the procedure determined by law;</p> <p>24) confers high military ranks, high diplomatic and other high special ranks and class orders;</p> <p>25) confers state awards; establishes presidential distinctions and confers them;</p> <p>26) adopts decisions on the acceptance for citizenship of Ukraine and the termination of citizenship of Ukraine, and on the granting of asylum in Ukraine;</p> <p>27) grants pardons;</p> <p>28) creates, within the limits of the funds allocated in the State Budget of Ukraine, consultative, advisory and other subsidiary bodies and services for the exercise of his or her authority;</p> <p>29) signs laws adopted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</p> <p>30) has the right to veto laws adopted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine (except for laws on amendments to the Constitution of Ukraine) with their subsequent return for repeat consideration by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</p> <p>31) exercises other powers determined by the Constitution of Ukraine.</p>	<p>19) submits the motion to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine on the declaration of a state of war, and, in case of armed aggression against Ukraine, adopts a decision on the use of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and other military formations established in accordance with laws of Ukraine;</p> <p>20) adopts a decision in accordance with the law on the general or partial mobilisation and the introduction of martial law in Ukraine or in its particular areas, in the event of a threat of aggression, danger to the state independence of Ukraine;</p> <p>21) adopts a decision, in the event of necessity, on the introduction of a state of emergency in Ukraine or in its particular areas, and also in the event of necessity, declares certain areas of Ukraine as zones of an ecological emergency situation — with subsequent approval of these decisions by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</p> <p>22) appoints and dismisses one-third of the composition to the Constitutional Court of Ukraine;</p> <p>23) establishes courts by the procedure determined by law;</p> <p>24) confers high military ranks, high diplomatic and other high special ranks and class orders;</p> <p>25) confers state awards; establishes presidential distinctions and confers them;</p> <p>26) adopts decisions on the acceptance for citizenship of Ukraine and the termination of citizenship of Ukraine, and on the granting of asylum in Ukraine;</p> <p>27) grants pardons;</p> <p>28) creates, within the limits of the funds allocated in the State Budget of Ukraine, consultative, advisory and other subsidiary bodies and services for the exercise of his or her authority;</p> <p>29) signs laws adopted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</p> <p>30) has the right to veto laws adopted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine (except for laws on amendments to the Constitution of Ukraine) with their subsequent return for repeat consideration by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;</p> <p>31) exercises other powers determined by the Constitution of Ukraine.</p>

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<p>The President of Ukraine shall not transfer his or her powers to other persons or agencies.</p> <p>The President of Ukraine, on the basis and for the execution of the Constitution and the laws of Ukraine, issues decrees and directives that are binding for execution on the territory of Ukraine.</p> <p>Acts of the President of Ukraine, issued within the limits of authority as envisaged in sub-paragraphs 5, 18, 21, and 23 of this Article, are co-signed by the Prime Minister of Ukraine and the Minister responsible for the act and its execution.</p> <p><b>Article 107.</b> The Council of National Security and Defence of Ukraine is the co-ordinating body to the President of Ukraine on issues of national security and defence.</p> <p>The Council of National Security and Defence of Ukraine co-ordinates and controls the activity of executive authorities in the area of national security and defence.</p> <p>The President of Ukraine is the Chair of the Council of National Security and Defense of Ukraine.</p> <p>The President of Ukraine forms the personal composition of the Council of National Security and Defense of Ukraine.</p> <p>The Prime Minister of Ukraine, the Minister of Defense of Ukraine, the Head of the Security Service of Ukraine, the Minister of Internal Affairs of Ukraine and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, are ex officio members of the Council of Nation and Security and Defense of Ukraine.</p> <p>The Chair of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine may take part in the meetings of the Council of National Security and Defense of Ukraine.</p> <p>Decisions of the Council of National Security and Defense of Ukraine are put into effect by decrees of the President of Ukraine.</p> <p>The competence and functions of the Council of National Security and Defense of Ukraine are determined by law.</p>	<p>The President of Ukraine shall not transfer his or her powers to other persons or agencies.</p> <p>The President of Ukraine, on the basis and for the execution of the Constitution and the laws of Ukraine, issues decrees and directives that are binding for execution on the territory of Ukraine.</p> <p>Acts of the President of Ukraine, issued within the limits of authority as envisaged in sub-paragraphs 5, 18, 21, and 23 of this Article, are co-signed by the Prime Minister of Ukraine and the Minister responsible for the act and its execution.</p> <p><b>Article 107.</b> The Council of National Security and Defence of Ukraine is the co-ordinating body to the President of Ukraine on issues of national security and defence.</p> <p>The Council of National Security and Defence of Ukraine co-ordinates and controls the activity of executive authorities in the area of national security and defence.</p> <p>The President of Ukraine is the Chair of the Council of National Security and Defense of Ukraine.</p> <p>The President of Ukraine forms the personal composition of the Council of National Security and Defense of Ukraine.</p> <p>The Prime Minister of Ukraine, the Minister of Defense of Ukraine, the Head of the Security Service of Ukraine, <b>the Head of Foreign Intelligence Service of Ukraine</b>, the Minister of Internal Affairs of Ukraine and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, are ex officio members of the Council of Nation and Security and Defense of Ukraine.</p> <p>The Chair of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine may take part in the meetings of the Council of National Security and Defense of Ukraine.</p> <p>Decisions of the Council of National Security and Defense of Ukraine are put into effect by decrees of the President of Ukraine.</p> <p>The competence and functions of the Council of National Security and Defense of Ukraine are determined by law.</p> <p><b>Article 107<sup>1</sup>. Representatives of the President of Ukraine operate in regions and raions. Representatives of the President of Ukraine in the regions coordinate the activity of representatives of the President of Ukraine in the raions.</b></p> <p><b>Representatives of the President of Ukraine are appointed to</b></p>

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<p><b>Article 114.</b> The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine is composed of the Prime Minister of Ukraine, the First Vice Prime Minister, Vice Prime Ministers and Ministers.</p> <p>The Prime Minister of Ukraine is appointed by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine upon the motion of the President of Ukraine.</p> <p><u>The name of a candidate for the office of the Prime Minister of Ukraine is put forward by the President of Ukraine upon the proposal by the parliamentary coalition formed in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine as provided for in Article 83 of the Constitution of Ukraine or by a parliamentary faction whose People’s Deputies of Ukraine make up a</u></p>	<p>office and dismissed from office by the President of Ukraine.</p> <p>Representatives of the President of Ukraine in the corresponding region:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) supervise the compliance with the Constitution and the laws of Ukraine by the local self-government authorities and local branches of the central executive agencies;</li> <li>2) coordinate the interaction between the local branches of the central executive authorities;</li> <li>3) direct and organize the activity of all local branches of the central executive agencies and local self-government agencies in a state of emergency or martial law;</li> <li>4) exercise other authorities defined by the Constitution and the laws of Ukraine.</li> </ol> <p>In the exercise of their duties, representatives of the President of Ukraine are responsible to the President of Ukraine, and are accountable to and under the control of the President of Ukraine.</p> <p>Decisions of representatives of the President of Ukraine which contradict the Constitution and the laws of Ukraine, other legal acts of Ukraine shall be cancelled by the President of Ukraine.</p> <p><b>Peculiar aspects of organizing and carrying out the activity of representatives of the President of Ukraine in the regions and raions shall be established by law.</b></p> <p><b>Article 114.</b> The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine is composed of the Prime Minister of Ukraine, the First Vice Prime Minister, Vice Prime Ministers and Ministers.</p> <p>The Prime Minister of Ukraine is appointed by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine upon the motion of the President of Ukraine.</p> <p><b>The President of Ukraine shall nominate a candidate for the office of the Prime Minister of Ukraine upon the proposal of the parliamentary coalition in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</b></p>

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<p><u>majority of the constitutional membership of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</u></p> <p><u>The Minister of Defense of Ukraine and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine are appointed by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine upon the submission by the President of Ukraine; the other members of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine are appointed by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine upon the submission by the Prime Minister of Ukraine.</u></p> <p>The Prime Minister of Ukraine manages the work of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and directs it for the implementation of the Programme of Activity of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine adopted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</p> <p><b>1. Article 118</b></p> <p>The executive power in oblasts, districts, and in the Cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol is exercised by local state administrations.</p> <p>Particular aspects of the exercise of executive power in the Cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol are determined by special laws of Ukraine.</p> <p>The composition of local state administrations is formed by heads of local state administrations.</p> <p>Heads of local state administrations are appointed to office and dismissed from office by the President of Ukraine upon the submission of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.</p> <p>In the exercise of their duties, the heads of local state administrations are</p>	<p><b>Members of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine shall be appointed by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine on the motion of the Prime Minister of Ukraine.</b></p> <p><b>The Minister of Defense of Ukraine and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine are appointed by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine on the motion of the Prime Minister of Ukraine which is to be agreed with the President of Ukraine.</b></p> <p>The Prime Minister of Ukraine manages the work of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and directs it for the implementation of the Programme of Activity of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine adopted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.</p> <p><b>Article 118 is excluded</b></p>

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<p>responsible to the President of Ukraine and to the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, and are accountable to and under the control of bodies of executive power of a higher level.</p> <p>Local state administrations are accountable to and under the control of councils in the part of the authority delegated to them by the respective district or oblast councils.</p> <p>Local state administrations are accountable to and under the control of the bodies of executive power of a higher level.</p> <p>Decisions of the heads of local state administrations that contravene the Constitution and the laws of Ukraine, other acts of legislation of Ukraine, may be revoked by the President of Ukraine or by the head of the local state administration of a higher level, in accordance with the law.</p> <p>An oblast or district council may express no confidence in the head of the respective local state administration, on which grounds the President of Ukraine adopts a decision and provides a substantiated reply.</p> <p>If two-thirds of the deputies of the composition of the respective council express no confidence in the head of a district or oblast state administration, the President of Ukraine adopts a decision on the resignation of the head of the local state administration.</p> <p><b>2. Article 119</b></p> <p>Local state administrations on their respective territory ensure:</p> <p><u>1) the execution of the Constitution and the laws of Ukraine, acts of the President of Ukraine, acts of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and other bodies of executive power;</u></p>	<p><b>Article 119 is excluded</b></p>



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<p><u>2) legality and legal order; the observance of laws and freedoms of citizens;</u></p> <p><u>3) the implementation of national and regional programmes for socio-economic and cultural development, programmes for environmental protection, and also — in places of compact residence of indigenous peoples and national minorities — programmes for their national and cultural development;</u></p> <p><u>4) the preparation and implementation of respective oblast and district budgets;</u></p> <p><u>5) the report on the implementation of respective budgets and programmes;</u></p> <p><u>6) interaction with bodies of local self-government;</u></p> <p><u>7) the realisation of other powers vested by the state and also delegated by the respective councils.</u></p> <p><b>Article 121.</b> The Public Prosecutor's Office of Ukraine constitutes a unified system that is entrusted with:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) prosecution in court on behalf of the State;</li> <li>2) representation of the interests of a citizen or of the State in court in cases determined by law;</li> <li>3) supervision of the observance of laws by bodies that conduct detective and search activity, inquiry and pre-trial investigation;</li> <li>4) supervision of the observance of laws in the execution of judicial decisions in criminal cases, and also in the application of other measures of coercion related to the restraint of personal liberty of citizens;</li> <li>5) supervision over the respect for human and citizens' rights and freedoms and over how laws governing such issues are observed by</li> </ol>	<p><b>Article 121.</b> The Public Prosecutor's Office of Ukraine constitutes a unified system that is entrusted with:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) prosecution in court on behalf of the State;</li> <li>2) representation of the interests of a citizen or of the State in court in cases determined by law;</li> <li>3) supervision of the observance of laws by bodies that conduct detective and search activity, inquiry and pre-trial investigation;</li> <li>4) supervision of the observance of laws in the execution of judicial decisions in criminal cases, and also in the application of other measures of coercion related to the restraint of personal liberty of citizens;</li> </ol> <p><b>excluded</b></p>

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<p><u>bodies of executive power, bodies of local self-government and by their officials and officers.</u></p> <p><b>3. Article 122.</b> <u>The Prokuratura of Ukraine is headed by the Prosecutor General of Ukraine, who is appointed to office and dismissed from office, with the consent of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, by the President of Ukraine. The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine may express no confidence in the Prosecutor General of Ukraine that results in his or her resignation from office.</u></p> <p>The term of office of the Prosecutor General of Ukraine is five years.</p> <p><b>Article 132.</b> <u>The territorial structure of Ukraine is based on the principles of unity and indivisibility of the state territory, the combination of centralisation and decentralisation in the exercise of state power, and the balanced socio-economic development of regions that takes into account their historical, economic, ecological, geographical and demographic characteristics, and ethnic and cultural traditions.</u></p> <p><b>4. Article 133.</b> <u>The system of the administrative and territorial structure of Ukraine is composed of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, oblasts, districts, cities, city districts, settlements and villages.</u></p> <p><u>Ukraine is composed of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, Vinnytsia Oblast, Volyn Oblast, Dnipropetrovsk Oblast, Donetsk Oblast, Zhytomyr Oblast, Zakarpattia Oblast, Zaporizhia Oblast, Ivano-Frankivsk Oblast, Kyiv Oblast, Kirovohrad Oblast, Luhansk Oblast, Lviv Oblast, Mykolaiv Oblast, Odesa Oblast, Poltava Oblast, Rivne Oblast, Sumy Oblast, Ternopil Oblast, Kharkiv Oblast, Kherson Oblast,</u></p>	<p><b>Article 122.</b> The Public Prosecutor's Office of Ukraine is headed by the Prosecutor General of Ukraine, who is appointed to office with the consent of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, and dismissed from office by the President of Ukraine. The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine may express no confidence in the Prosecutor General of Ukraine that results in his or her resignation from office.</p> <p>The term of office of the Prosecutor General of Ukraine is five years.</p> <p><b>Article 132.</b> The territorial structure of Ukraine is based on the principles of unity and indivisibility of the state territory, the decentralisation in the exercise of state power, ubiquity and capability of self-government authorities, sustainable development of administrative and territorial units that takes into account their historical, economic, ecological, geographical and demographic characteristics, and ethnic and cultural traditions.</p> <p><b>Article 133.</b> The system of the administrative and territorial structure of Ukraine is composed of administrative and territorial units: regions, raions and communities.</p> <p>The terms and procedures for establishing, liquidating, naming and renaming of administrative and territorial units and settlements within the regions and changing their borders shall be established by law.</p> <p>The regions of Ukraine include: the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, Vinnytsia Oblast, Volyn Oblast, Dnipropetrovsk Oblast, Donetsk Oblast, Zhytomyr Oblast, Zakarpattia Oblast, Zaporizhia Oblast, Ivano-Frankivsk Oblast, Kyiv Oblast, Kirovohrad Oblast, Luhansk Oblast, Lviv Oblast, Mykolaiv Oblast, Odesa Oblast, Poltava Oblast, Rivne Oblast, Sumy Oblast, Ternopil Oblast,</p>

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<p><u>Khmelnytskyi Oblast, Cherkasy Oblast, Chernivtsi Oblast and Chernihiv Oblast, and the Cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol.</u></p> <p><u>The Cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol have special status that is determined by the laws of Ukraine.</u></p> <p>5. <b>Article 139.</b> <u>The Representative Office of the President of Ukraine, whose status is determined by the law of Ukraine, operates in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea.</u></p> <p>6. <b>Article 140.</b> <u>Local self-government is the right of a territorial community — residents of a village or a voluntary association of residents of several villages into one village community, residents of a settlement, and of a city — to independently resolve issues of local character within the limits of the Constitution and the laws of Ukraine.</u></p> <p><u>Particular aspects of the exercise of local self-government in the Cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol are determined by special laws of Ukraine.</u></p> <p><u>Local self-government is exercised by a territorial community by the procedure established by law, both directly and through bodies of local self-government: village, settlement and city councils, and their executive bodies.</u></p> <p><u>District and oblast councils are bodies of local self-government that represent the common interests of territorial communities of villages, settlements and cities.</u></p>	<p><b>Kharkiv Oblast, Kherson Oblast, Khmelnytskyi Oblast, Cherkasy Oblast, Chernivtsi Oblast and Chernihiv Oblast, and the Cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol.</b></p> <p><b>The status and administrative and territory structure of the City of Kyiv and the City of Sevastopol are determined by special laws of Ukraine.</b></p> <p><b>A community shall mean an administrative and territorial unit created according to the procedures established by law which includes one or several residential settlements (village, settlement, city) as well as the adjacent territories.</b></p> <p><b>Article 139 is excluded</b></p> <p><b>Article 140. Local self-government shall constitute the right and capability of a territorial community to independently resolve issues of local character in the interests of local community, both directly and through local self-government agencies, within the limits of the Constitution and the laws of Ukraine.</b></p> <p><b>The local self-government agencies of the community shall include the community mayor - village, settlement and city mayor; community councils -village, settlement and city councils; executive authority of the council.</b></p> <p><b>Raion council and its executive authority are bodies of local self-government that represent the common interests of territorial communities of the raion.</b></p> <p><b>Oblast council and its executive authority are bodies of local self-government that represent the common interests of territorial communities of the oblast.</b></p>

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<p><u>The issue of organisation of the administration of city districts lies within the competence of city councils.</u></p> <p><u>Village, settlement and city councils may permit, upon the initiative of residents, the creation of house, street, block and other bodies of popular self-organisation, and to assign them part of their own competence, finances and property.</u></p> <p><u>Article 141. A village, settlement, city, district and oblast council is composed of deputies elected for a five-year term by residents of a village, settlement, city, district and oblast on the basis of universal, equal and direct suffrage, by secret ballot. The term of office of village, settlement, city, district and oblast council whose deputies are elected in the regular elections shall be five years. Termination of the mandate of the village, settlement, city, district and oblast council shall lead to termination of the mandate of the deputies of the corresponding council.</u></p>	<p><b>The issue of organisation of the administration of city districts as well as establishment, reorganization and liquidation of city districts lies within the competence of city councils.</b></p> <p><b>Delimitation of powers in the system of local self-government agencies and their executive authorities of different levels shall be based on the principle of subsidiarity.</b></p> <p><b>Local self-government agencies acting on the Oblast level shall execute the authorities as specified by law which, considering the scope and nature of tasks and efficiency and saving requirements, may be executed in the best way at this level.</b></p> <p><b>Particular aspects of the exercise of local self-government in the Cities of Kyiv and Sevastopol are determined by special laws of Ukraine.</b></p> <p><b>Village, settlement and city councils may assign some of the authorities of their executive agencies to local self-government agencies of the population.</b></p> <p><b>Article 141. A village, settlement, city, district and oblast council is composed of deputies elected by residents of a community on the basis of universal, equal and direct suffrage, by secret ballot.</b></p>

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<p><u>Territorial communities shall elect on the basis of universal, equal and direct suffrage, by secret ballot, the head of the village, settlement and city, respectively, who leads the executive body of the council and presides at its meetings. The term of office of the village, settlement and city mayor elected in the regular elections shall be five years.</u></p> <p>The regular election of village, settlement, city, district and oblast councils and the village, settlement, city, district and oblast mayor shall take place on the last week of October of the fifth year of the term of office of the corresponding council or the corresponding mayor elected in the regular elections.</p> <p><u>The status of heads, deputies and executive bodies of a council and their authority, the procedure for their establishment, reorganisation and liquidation, are determined by law.</u></p> <p><u>The chairperson of a district council and the chairperson of an oblast council are elected by the respective council and lead the executive staff of the council.</u></p>	<p><b>The term of office of village, settlement, city, district and oblast council whose deputies are elected in the regular elections shall be five years. Termination of the mandate of the village, settlement, city, district and oblast council shall lead to termination of the mandate of the deputies of the corresponding council.</b></p> <p><b>The procedures for formation of raion and oblast councils shall ensure representation of the community.</b></p> <p><b>Citizens of territorial communities shall elect on the basis of universal, equal and direct suffrage, by secret ballot, the head of the village, settlement and city, respectively, who leads the executive body of the council and presides at its meetings. The term of office of the village, settlement and city mayor elected in the regular elections shall be five years.</b></p> <p><b>A village, settlement, city, district and oblast council and the village, settlement, city, district and oblast mayor elected in the regular elections shall exercise their authorities before the election of the new composition of the council and a village, settlement, city, district and oblast mayor in the next regular elections.</b></p> <p>The regular election of village, settlement, city, district and oblast councils and the village, settlement, city, district and oblast mayor shall take place on the last week of October of the fifth year of the term of office of the corresponding council or the corresponding mayor elected in the regular elections.</p> <p><b>The status of village, settlement and city mayors, local deputies and executive bodies of a council and their authority, the procedure for their establishment, reorganisation and liquidation, are determined by law.</b></p> <p><b>The Chair of raion council shall be elected from among the council deputies and shall head its executive authority. Raion council shall elect the members of the executive authority of the council on the motion of the elected Chair.</b></p>

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<p><u>Article 142.</u> The material and financial basis for local self-government is <u>movable and immovable property, revenues of local budgets, other funds, land, natural resources owned by territorial communities of villages, settlements, cities, city districts, and also objects of their common property that are managed by district and oblast councils.</u></p> <p><u>On the basis of agreement, territorial communities of villages, settlements and cities may join objects of communal property as well as budget funds, to implement joint projects or to jointly finance (maintain) communal enterprises, organisations and establishments, and create appropriate bodies and services for this purpose.</u></p> <p><u>The State participates in the formation of revenues of the budget of local self-government and financially supports local self-government.</u> Expenditures of bodies of local self-government, that arise from the decisions of bodies of state power, are compensated by the state.</p> <p><u>Article 143.</u> <u>Territorial communities of a village, settlement and city, directly or through the bodies of local self-government established by them, manage the property that is in communal ownership; approve programmes of socio-economic and cultural development, and control their implementation; approve budgets of the respective administrative and territorial units, and control their implementation; establish local taxes and levies in accordance with the law; ensure the holding of local referendums and the implementation of their results; establish, reorganise and liquidate communal enterprises, organisations and institutions, and also exercise control over their activity; resolve other issues of local importance ascribed to their competence by law.</u></p>	<p><b>The Chair of Oblast council shall be elected from among the council deputies and shall head its executive authority. Oblast council shall elect the members of the executive authority of the council on the motion of the elected Chair.</b></p> <p><b>Article 142.</b> The material and financial basis for local self-government shall include movable and immovable property, revenues of local budgets, including local taxes and duties, a part of national taxes, land, natural resources owned by territorial communities of villages, settlements, cities, city districts, and also facilities that are managed by district and oblast councils.</p> <p><b>The volume of financial resources of local self-government agencies shall correspond to the authorities specified by the Constitution and the laws of Ukraine.</b></p> <p><b>Expenditures of local self-government agencies, that arise from the decisions of state power agencies, are compensated by the state.</b></p> <p><b>Article 143.</b> Local self-government agencies and their executive authorities resolve the issues of local self-governance ascribed to their competence by law.</p>

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<p><u>Oblast and district councils approve programmes for socio-economic and cultural development of the respective oblasts and districts, and control their implementation; approve district and oblast budgets that are formed from the funds of the state budget for their appropriate distribution among territorial communities or for the implementation of joint projects, and from the funds drawn on the basis of agreement from local budgets for the realisation of joint socio-economic and cultural programmes, and control their implementation; resolve other issues ascribed to their competence by law.</u></p> <p><u>Certain powers of bodies of executive power may be assigned by law to bodies of local self-government. The State finances the exercise of these powers from the State Budget of Ukraine in full or through the allocation of certain national taxes to the local budget, by the procedure established by law, transfers the relevant objects of state property to bodies of local self-government.</u></p> <p><u>Bodies of local self-government, on issues of their exercise of powers of bodies of executive power, are under the control of the respective bodies of executive power.</u></p> <p><b>Article 144.</b> Local self-government agencies, within the limits of authority determined by law, adopt decisions that are mandatory for execution throughout the respective territory.</p> <p><u>Decisions of bodies of local self-government, for reasons of nonconformity with the Constitution or the laws of Ukraine, are suspended by the procedure established by law with a simultaneous appeal to a court.</u></p>	<p><b>A village, settlement, city, district and oblast council may, according to the procedures established by law, provide a special status of the Russian language and other languages of national minorities of Ukraine within the boundaries of the corresponding administrative and territorial units.</b></p> <p><b>Certain powers of executive power authorities may be assigned by law to local self-government agencies. The State finances the exercise of these powers from the State Budget of Ukraine in full or through the allocation of certain national taxes to the local budget, by the procedure established by law, transfers the relevant facilities of state property to local self-government agencies.</b></p> <p><b>excluded</b></p> <p><b>Article 144.</b> Local self-government agencies, within the limits of authority determined by law, adopt decisions that are mandatory for execution throughout the respective territory.</p> <p><b>The validity of the decision of the Verkhovna Rada of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea or a local self-governance agency on grounds of its inconsistency with the Constitution, on the motion of the representative of the President of Ukraine in the corresponding region, shall be suspended by the President of Ukraine and challenged concurrently as to its constitutionality with the Constitutional Court of Ukraine.</b></p>

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<p><b>Article 151.</b> The Constitutional Court of Ukraine, on the appeal of the President of Ukraine or the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, provides opinions on the conformity with the Constitution of Ukraine of international treaties of Ukraine that are in force, or the international treaties submitted to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine for granting agreement on their binding nature.</p> <p>On the appeal of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the Constitutional Court of Ukraine provides an opinion on the observance of the constitutional procedure of investigation and consideration of the case of removing the President of Ukraine from office by the procedure of impeachment.</p>	<p><b>Local governments' decisions failing to comply with the laws of Ukraine shall be suspended by representatives of the President of Ukraine in respective region or raion. Respective petitions shall be filed with court at the same time.</b></p> <p><b>In case the Constitutional Court of Ukraine rules that the decision of the Verkhovna Rada of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea or a local self-governance agency violates the Constitution of Ukraine this shall serve as the basis for early termination of the mandate of the Verkhovna Rada of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea or a local self-governance agency.</b></p> <p><b>Article 151.</b> The Constitutional Court of Ukraine, on the appeal of the President of Ukraine or the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, provides opinions on the conformity with the Constitution of Ukraine of international treaties of Ukraine that are in force, or the international treaties submitted to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine for granting agreement on their binding nature.</p> <p>On the appeal of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the Constitutional Court of Ukraine provides an opinion on the observance of the constitutional procedure of investigation and consideration of the case of removing the President of Ukraine from office by the procedure of impeachment.</p> <p><b>The Constitutional Court of Ukraine on the motion of the President of Ukraine shall issue their conclusions as to violation of the Constitution of Ukraine by the decision of the Verkhovna Rada of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea or the local self-government agency.</b></p> <p><b>Final and transitional provisions</b></p> <p><b>1. This Law shall come into force from the day following the day of its official publication except for amendments to Clause 28 of Part One of Article 85, Clauses 8<sup>1</sup>, 10, 16 of Part One of Article 106, Articles 107<sup>1</sup>, 118, 119, 132, 133, 139 – 144 of the Constitution of Ukraine which shall become effective from the day the mandates of village, settlement and city mayors elected in the regular elections become effective.</b></p>