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**THE LAW OF UKRAINE  
ON PREVENTING THREATS TO NATIONAL SECURITY  
ASSOCIATED WITH EXCESSIVE INFLUENCE BY PERSONS  
WHO WIELD SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC  
AND POLITICAL WEIGHT IN PUBLIC LIFE  
(OLIGARCHS)**

**The Law of Ukraine**  
**On Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by**  
**Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs)**

This Law defines legal and organisational grounds for the functioning of a system to prevent threats to national security associated with excessive influence by persons who wield significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarchs), the content and procedure for application of enforcement measures to such persons.

The purpose of this Law is to overcome the conflict of interest caused by the merger of politicians, media, and big business, preventing the use of political power to increase one's own capital, ensure Ukraine's national security in economic, political, and informational spheres, protect constitutional rights and freedoms of a citizen, protect democracy, ensure state sovereignty and avoid instances of manipulating the minds of citizens through deliberate distortion of information for the purpose of obtaining access to resources owned by the Ukrainian people.

**Article 1. Terms and Definitions**

1. In this Law, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

1) beneficiary — a natural person who, solely or jointly with other persons, directly or indirectly owns the authorised capital or voting rights in a legal person, or exerts influence on the management or business of a legal person through affiliated natural or legal persons, or exerts decisive influence by exercising the right to control, own, use or dispose of all or any assets, the right to receive income from the legal person's business, the right of decisive influence on forming the membership of, on voting outcome in governing bodies, and to enter into transactions that allow for the basic conditions of the legal person's economic activity to be determined, and for binding decisions, which have a decisive influence on the legal person's business, to be adopted;

2) mass medium — any of the following entities: printed mass medium, Internet mass medium, news agency, information business entity in the field of television and radio broadcasting;

3) Internet mass medium — a mass medium that regularly distributes information in text, audiovisual, or in other forms electronically (digitally) on the Internet through a website under a permanent name as an individualising feature;

4) mass medium controller — a person who is able to exert a decisive influence on the mass medium's management or business directly or through other persons by exercising the rights of a beneficiary or, regardless of the beneficiary's status, to exert such influence on the basis of a contract or otherwise, including through financing.

5) affiliated person — a person who directly or indirectly owns an interest (voting right) in a business entity, an interest or voting right in which is directly or indirectly owned by the person with whom affiliation is determined, as well as another person recognised as an affiliated person in accordance with the rules established by the Tax Code of Ukraine;

6) representative of the person included in the Register of Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) (the oligarch's representative) — a natural person who holds meetings (conversations), communicates by telephone or by electronic communication facilities with civil servants on behalf of and/or in the interests of the person included in the Register;

7) civil servant — the person listed in Article 8.5 of this Law.

2. Other terms used in this Law shall have the following meaning:

the term "information business entity in the field of television and radio broadcasting" — as defined by the Law of Ukraine on Television and Radio Broadcasting;

the term "printed mass medium" — as defined by the Law of Ukraine on Printed Mass Media (Press) in Ukraine;

the term "news agency" — as defined by the Law of Ukraine on News Agencies;

the term "ultimate beneficial owner" is used as defined by the Law of Ukraine on Prevention and Counteraction to Legalisation (Laundering) of Proceeds from Crime, Terrorism Financing and the Financing of Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction.

## **Article 2. Person Wielding Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarch)**

1. For the purposes of this Law, a natural person who simultaneously matches at least three of the following criteria shall be regarded as a person who wields significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch):

- 1) is involved in political life;
- 2) exerts significant influence on mass media;
- 3) is the ultimate beneficial owner of a business entity that, after the enactment of this Law, is a natural monopoly entity or occupies a monopoly (dominant) position in the market according to the Law of Ukraine on Protection of Economic Competition, and maintains or strengthens such position within one consecutive year;
- 4) the confirmed value of the person's assets (and those of the business entities in which he/she is a beneficiary) exceeds 1 million subsistence minimums established for able-bodied persons as of January 1 of the respective year.

2. The value of the assets referred to in part 1.4 of this Article shall be calculated as the aggregate value of the assets of the person and of the business entities in which he/she is a beneficiary. Assets owned by the person in mass media shall not be included in the calculation of the value of the above assets.

## **Article 3. Involvement in Political Life**

1. A person shall be regarded as matching the criterion of involvement in political life under Article 2.1.1 of this Law if he/she:

- 1) is the President of Ukraine, Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, First Deputy or Deputy Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, People's Deputy of Ukraine, Prime Minister of Ukraine, First Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine, Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine, Minister, his/her First Deputy or Deputy, head of another central executive authority that is not included in the structure of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, Head of the Security Service of Ukraine, Prosecutor General, Governor of the National Bank of Ukraine, head of a standing ancillary authority created by the President of Ukraine, his/her First Deputy or Deputy; and/or
- 2) is a close person of the person referred to in paragraph 1 of this part under the Law of Ukraine on Prevention of Corruption or his/her affiliated person; and/or
- 3) holds a position in the governing bodies of a political party; and/or
- 4) financed the activities of a political party, political campaigning, or holding of rallies or demonstrations with political demands.

Note. Performing at least one of the following actions shall be understood as financing the activities of a political party, political campaigning, or holding of rallies or demonstrations with political demands: Making a donation or donations to support a political party; paying money, performing work, providing goods or services for the benefit of participants in political campaigning, rallies or demonstrations with political demands or of their family members; supplying of premises, equipment, campaign materials or otherwise providing organisational and technical support for political campaigning, rallies or demonstrations with political demands; paying for pre-election campaigning in the meaning ascribed by the Electoral Code of Ukraine, for all-Ukrainian or local referendum campaigning in the meaning ascribed by the laws and regulations on all-Ukrainian and local referendums, for political advertising in the meaning ascribed by the Law of Ukraine on Advertising; performing actions, as referred to in this note, by affiliated persons of a person who matches the criterion of involvement in political life and/or by legal persons in which such person is an ultimate beneficial owner.

## **Article 4. Significant Influence on Mass Media**

1. A person shall be regarded as matching the criterion of significant influence on mass media under Article 2.1.2 of this Law if he/she:

- 1) is an owner (founder) of a mass medium/mass media or a beneficiary of the owner (founder) of a mass medium/mass media; and/or
- 2) is a controller of the owner (founder) of a mass medium/mass media; and/or
- 3) was an owner (founder) of a mass medium/mass media or a beneficiary or controller of the owner (founder) of a mass medium/mass media as at the effective date of this Law, but

lost this status before the enactment of this Law, as a result of which an affiliated person or a person who lacks impeccable business reputation in the meaning ascribed by Article 10 of this Law became the owner (founder), beneficiary or controller of the owner (founder) of such medium.

#### **Article 5. Recognising the Person as Wielding Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarch)**

1. A decision to recognise the person as wielding significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch) shall be adopted by the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine on the basis of a submission from the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, member of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine, National Bank of Ukraine, Security Service of Ukraine, or Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine.
2. The decision referred to in part one of this Article shall come into force on the day of the official promulgation of the decree of the President of Ukraine on its enactment and shall be binding.
3. At least 10 business days before the date of the meeting of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine, at which a submission is to be considered for recognising the person as wielding significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch), the Staff of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine shall forward to such person, at the place of his/her registration, a notification of such meeting, setting out in respect of such person the criteria stipulated by Article 2.1 of this Law. The notification stipulated by this part shall be published on the official website of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine after being forwarded.
4. The person who has received the notification referred to in part three of this Article or has read it on the official website of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine shall have the right to submit it to the Staff of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine in writing his/her personal clarifications and other documents in this connection at least five business days before the date of the meeting of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine, at which the relevant submission is to be considered. At the request of the person and under the relevant decision of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine, his/her personal oral explanations shall be heard at the meeting of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine.
5. Failure by the person to receive the notification referred to in part three of this Article, failure to submit in writing any personal clarifications or other documents, refusal of the person to provide her/his oral explanations at the meeting of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine or failure to attend such meeting, including for valid reasons, shall not constitute grounds for postponement or non-consideration by the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine of the submission for recognising him/her as wielding significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch).

#### **Article 6. Register of Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs)**

1. A decision by the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine to recognise the person as wielding significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch) shall constitute the basis for the inclusion of such persons in the Register of Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) (hereinafter, the "Register").
2. The Register is an information and communication system designed to make public and to process information about persons who wield significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarchs) and persons who submit declarations of contacts with persons who wield significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarchs), or their representatives (hereinafter, the "Declaration of Contacts") in order to ensure access to information about such persons and application of enforcement measures to them.
3. The Regulations on the Register, the procedure for its formation and maintenance shall be approved by the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine.  
Formation and maintenance of the Register shall be supported by the Office of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine.  
Free and gratis access to the Register information shall be provided on the official website of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine with the possibility of its viewing, copying, and

printing out, as well as in the form of a data set (electronic document) organised in a format that allows its automated processing by electronic means (machine reading) for reuse purposes.

4. The following information shall be included in the Register:

- 1) a decision of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine to recognise the person as wielding significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch), and justification for such decision according to Article 2 of this Law;
- 2) last name, first name, and patronymic (if any) of the person who wields significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch);
- 3) Declarations of Contacts with the person who wields significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch) or his/her representatives;
- 4) decisions of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine to strike the person off the Register, and the circumstances that substantiate adoption of such a decision;
- 5) the list of legal persons whose ultimate beneficial owner is the person wielding significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch);
- 6) the list of persons, as defined by Article 3.1.1 of this Law, donations to the election funds of which or to the election funds of political parties that had nominated such persons were made over the past three years by a person who wields significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch).

5. The information stipulated by part four of this Article shall be entered into the Register within three calendar days from the relevant decision coming into force and shall be forwarded, within the same period, to the person against whom such decision has been adopted.

#### **Article 7. Legal Implications From Recognising the Person as Wielding Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarch)**

1. A person who wields significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch) and is included in the Register shall be prohibited from:

- 1) making donations in the form of their own funds, the performance of work, provision of goods, services or cash, the performance of work, provision of goods, services by the affiliated persons and/or by the legal persons, in which such person is the ultimate beneficial owner, in support of political parties under the Law of Ukraine on Political Parties in Ukraine, making donations to the election funds of candidates (other than to their own election fund), political parties during the electoral process in accordance with the Electoral Code of Ukraine;
- 2) being a buyer (buyer's beneficiary) in the process of privatisation of large-scale privatisation items;
- 3) financing any political campaigning, or holding of rallies or demonstrations with political demands.

2. Upon inclusion in the Register, the person recognised as wielding significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch) shall be required to submit, in a manner prescribed by the Law of Ukraine on Prevention of Corruption, a declaration of a person authorised to perform functions of the State or local self-governance.

#### **Article 8. Declaration of Contacts With Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) or Their Representatives**

1. In the event of a contract between the public servant and a person included in the Register or his/her representative, such public servant shall be required to file the Declaration of Contacts.

2. For the purposes of this Article, contact with a person included in the Register or with his/her representative shall mean a meeting and conversation (including online), communication, irrespective of the content thereof, by telephone or by electronic communication facilities, other than activities referred to in part three of this Article.

Persons included in the Register and their representatives shall be required, prior to the meeting (conversation), communication by telephone or by electronic communication facilities, to notify public servants of the fact that they or the persons they represent are included in the Register.

3. The Declaration of Contacts is not filed where such contact occurred in the course of participation of a public servant and the person included in the Register or his/her representative in:

- 1) official events, the progress of which is broadcast live on the radio, television, or the Internet in a mode accessible to mass reception;
  - 2) a court session;
  - 3) official events (conferences) initiated by government authorities, provided that information about them, containing the full list of participants and the subject of discussion, is posted on the official website of the respective government authority.
4. The Declaration of Contacts shall be filed on or before the day following the contact with the person included in the Register or with his/her representatives by filling in an electronic form on the official website of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine. The form of the Declaration of Contacts is defined by the Regulation on the Register of Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs).
5. The obligation to submit the Declaration of Contacts applies to:
- 1) the President of Ukraine, Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, his/her First Deputy or Deputy, Prime Minister of Ukraine, First Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine, Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine, Minister, his/her First Deputy or Deputies, Head of the Security Service of Ukraine and his/her Deputies, Prosecutor General, and his/her Deputies, Governor of the National Bank of Ukraine and his/her Deputies;
  - 2) judges of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine, judges;
  - 3) head of a standing ancillary authority created by the President of Ukraine, his/her First Deputy or Deputies;
  - 4) the Chairman and members of the National Council of Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine, Chairman and State Commissioners of the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine, commissioners for consideration of complaints about violations of laws and regulations in the field of public procurement, Chairman and members of the Accounting Chamber, Chairman and members of the Central Election Commission, heads and members of other state collegial authorities, Chairman and members of the High Council of Justice;
  - 5) the Secretary of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine and his/her Deputies;
  - 6) the Head of the State Committee for Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine and his/her deputies, Chairman of the State Property Fund of Ukraine and his/her deputies, Head of the National Agency on Corruption Prevention and his/her deputies, Director of the National Anti-Corruption Bureau of Ukraine and his/her deputies, Director of the State Bureau of Investigation and his/her deputies, Director of the Bureau of Economic Security of Ukraine and his/her deputies, Head of the National Agency of Ukraine for Finding, Tracing and Management of Assets Derived From Corruption and Other Crimes and his/her deputies;
  - 7) the Commissioner of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine for Human Rights;
  - 8) civil servants in Category A and B civil service positions;
  - 9) heads of local state administrations, their first deputies and deputies;
  - 10) servicemen of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and other military formations, who have been awarded high military officer ranks;
  - 11) senior superiors of law enforcement authorities and employees of other agencies, who have been awarded high special ranks.
  - 12) persons holding positions in the judicial advisory service of the President of Ukraine, at the Office of the President of Ukraine, in the Staff of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine, of the Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, his/her First Deputy and Deputy, deputy factions (deputy groups) in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, Head of the Administration of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the Prime Minister of Ukraine and other members of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, as well as advising assistants of People's Deputies of Ukraine, assistants and academic advisors of judges of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine, assistant judges, persons holding judicial advisory service positions in other government authorities. The provisions of this paragraph shall apply to the persons concerned regardless of whether they hold such positions on a pro bono basis or the respective positions are included in the staffing table of a government authority;

- 13) senior executives of state-owned enterprises, senior executives of enterprises and business companies, where more than 50 percent of shares (interest) in their authorised capital is held by the State.
6. Violation of the obligation to file the Declaration of Contacts, as stipulated by this Article, shall constitute grounds for holding a person politically and/or disciplinarily liable. A failure by a person included in the Register or by his/her representative to notify of the fact that he/she or the person he/she represents is included in the Register shall not exempt the public servant from liability for failure to file the Declaration of Contacts.
7. The Declaration of Contacts must contain information about:
  - 1) the person filing the Declaration of Contacts;
  - 2) the person included in the Register, his/her representative with whom a contact occurred;
  - 3) the date and place of the meeting (conversation), communication by telephone or by electronic communication facilities, its summary.

### **Article 9. The decision to remove the person who wields significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch) from the Register**

1. A decision to remove the person who wields significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch) from the Register shall be adopted where it is established that the person does not match simultaneously at least two criteria stipulated by Article 2.1 of this Law. The person shall not be deemed as not exerting significant influence on mass media if the status of a beneficiary (controller) of the respective mass medium has passed from the person included in the Register to an affiliated person or a person who lacks impeccable business reputation in the meaning ascribed by Article 10 of this Law.
2. A person to whom the status of a beneficiary (controller), beneficiary (controller) of the owner (founder) of a mass medium (hereinafter, the “buyer”) has passed after coming into force of this Law may not be recognised as a person who wields significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch) if he/she formally matches the criteria set out in Article 2 of this Law, and where:
  - 1) such match has occurred, after coming into force of this Law, as a result of passing (acquiring, procuring) the status of the owner (founder), the beneficiary (controller) of the owner (founder) of the mass medium;
  - 2) the buyer has an impeccable business reputation.
3. A decision to remove the person who wields significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch) from the Register shall be adopted in the manner stipulated by Article 5 of this Law for the adoption of a decision to recognise the person as wielding significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch).
4. A decision to remove the person who wields significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch) from the Register may also be adopted by the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine on the basis of an application from the person included in the Register and submission by him/her of the documents and information evidencing that no match exists with the criteria stipulated by Article 2.1 of this Law.

### **Article 10. Impeccable Business Reputation**

1. A buyer shall be deemed as having an impeccable business reputation if he/she matches none of the criteria set out in part two of this Article.
2. Criteria of a flawed business reputation of a natural person, which are associated with the observance of the law and public order, include:
  - 1) having a conviction that has been neither canceled nor cleared in the manner prescribed by law;
  - 2) imposition by Ukraine, foreign states (other than states carrying out armed aggression against Ukraine), intergovernmental associations or international organisations of sanctions against the person — while the sanctions are in force and three years after they have been lifted or expired;
  - 3) inclusion of the person in the list of persons associated with terrorist activities or subjected to international sanctions — while the person is on the list and ten years after having been struck off the list;

- 4) deprivation of the right to occupy certain positions or to engage in certain activities under a judgment or another court decision — while the sentence is in force;
  - 5) inadequate discharge by the person of obligations to pay taxes, fees or make other mandatory payments where the total unpaid amount is equal to or exceeds 100 minimum monthly wages established by the laws and regulations of Ukraine for the period during which the violation was committed, or an equivalent thereof in foreign currency — while the violation continues and three years after it has ceased;
  - 6) acquisition of (intention to acquire) a mass medium at a price that is significantly lower than the market price, or with the funds whose origin is not corroborated by documentary evidence;
  - 7) substantial and/or systematic violations by the person of the requirements of the laws and regulations on mass media, banking, financial, currency, tax laws and regulations, laws and regulations on financial monitoring, laws, and regulations on securities, joint-stock companies, and the stock market.
3. The procedure for checking the business reputation of a buyer (potential buyer) of a mass medium shall be approved by the National Council of Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine.

### **Article 11. Final and transitional provisions**

1. This Law shall come into force on the next day following its promulgation and shall be enacted six months from its coming into force.
2. This Law shall become invalid 10 years from the date of its enactment.
3. The following laws of Ukraine shall be amended:
  - 1) Article 13.4 be added to the Law of Ukraine on the Security Service of Ukraine (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 1992, No. 27, p. 382, as amended) to read as follows: “The Head of the Security Service of Ukraine, his/her deputies shall be subject to dismissal in the event of a violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts”;
  - 2) in the Law of Ukraine on the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 1993 p., No. 50, p. 472, as amended):  
in Article 9.4, the words “violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts” be added after the words “in the event of the commission of a crime of”;  
the following sentence be added to Article 11.1: “Violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts shall constitute grounds for dismissal of the State Commissioner of the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine”;
  - 3) Article 9.2.5 be added to the Law of Ukraine on the Commissioner of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine for Human Rights (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 1998, No. 20, p. 99) to read as follows: “5) violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts”;
  - 4) in the Law of Ukraine on the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 1998, No. 35, p. 237, as amended):  
Articles 4.1.9 and 4.1.10 be added to read as follows:  
“9) adopts a decision to recognise the person as wielding significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarch) or to strike the person off the Register of Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs);  
10) maintains the Register of Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs)”;



Article 7.5 be added to read as follows:

“The Secretary of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine and his/her deputies shall be held liable for violating the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs)”;

**5)** in the Law of Ukraine on the National Bank of Ukraine (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 1999, No. 29, p. 238, as amended):

Article 18.8.11 will be added to read as follows:

“11) violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts”;

Article 20.8.10 be added to read as follows:

“10) violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts”;

**6)** a new indent be added to Article 36.1 of the Law of Ukraine on Protection of Economic Competition (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 2001, No. 12, p. 64) after the fourth indent to read as follows:

“an instance of inclusion in the Register of Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs), under the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs), of a person who is the owner (founder), the beneficiary of the owner (founder), controller of the owner (founder) of the mass medium/media that wield(s) significant influence on the television and radio information market”.

The fifth indent to be regarded as the sixth indent, accordingly;

**7)** Article 15.1.10 be added to the Law of Ukraine on Political Parties in Ukraine (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 2001, No. 23, p. 118; **2020, No. 35, p. 254**) to read as follows:

“10) persons recognised as wielding significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarchs) under the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs)”;

**8)** Article 30.4.11 be added to the Law of Ukraine on the Central Election Commission (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 2004, No. 36, p. 448; **2020, No. 2, p. 5**) to read as follows:

“11) violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts”;

**9)** Article 8.1.9 be added to the Law of Ukraine on the National Council of Television and Radio Broadcasting of Ukraine (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 2005, No. 16, p. 265, 2021, № 35, p. 295) to read as follows:

“9) violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts”;

**10)** the words “as well as liability for violating the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs)” be added to Article 27.1 of the Law of Ukraine on Central Executive Authorities (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 2011, No. 38, p. 385);

**11)** In the Law of Ukraine on the State Property Fund of Ukraine (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 2012, No. 28, p. 311):

Article 7.2 be added to read as follows:

“2. Violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts shall constitute grounds for dismissal of the Chairman of the State Property Fund of Ukraine”;

a third indent be added to Article 8.2 to read as follows:

“Violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts shall constitute grounds for dismissal of Deputy Chairmen of the State Property Fund of Ukraine”;

**12)** the words “as well as for violating the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs)” be added to the first indent of Article 45.3 of the Law of Ukraine on the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 2014, No. 13, p. 222; 2017, No. 45, p. 405) after the words “commission of offenses”;

**13)** in the Law of Ukraine on the National Anti-Corruption Bureau of Ukraine (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 2014, No. 47, p. 2051, as amended):

a new indent be added to Article 6.4 after the fifteenth indent to read as follows:

“14) violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts”;

The sixteenth indent to be regarded as the seventeenth indent, accordingly;

the eighth indent be added to Article 28.4 to read as follows:

“The First Deputy, Deputies of the Director of the National Bureau shall also be subject to dismissal in the event of a violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts”;

**14)** in the Law of Ukraine on Prevention of Corruption (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 2014, No. 49, p. 2056, as amended):

Article 3.1.2(d) be added to read as follows:

“d) persons recognised as wielding significant economic and political weight in public life (oligarchs) under the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs)”;

in Article 45:

in parts 1 and 2, the words “subparagraphs (a) and (c)” be replaced with the words “subparagraphs (a), (c) and (d)”;

a fourth indent be added to part 3 to read as follows:

“In the event of their inclusion in the Register of Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs), the persons referred to in Article 3.1.2(d) of this Law shall file, within ten calendar days from being included in the Register, a declaration of a person authorised to perform functions of the State or local self-governance for the previous year in the manner prescribed by this Law”;

**15)** In the Law of Ukraine on the Public Prosecutor’s Office (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 2015, Nos. 2–3, p. 12, as amended):

a thirteenth indent be added to Article 51.1 to read as follows:

“Other than on the grounds stipulated by paragraphs 1–9 of this part, the Deputy Prosecutor General shall also be dismissed in the event of a violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts”;

Article 63.4 be added to read as follows:

“4. Violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts shall constitute grounds for adoption by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine of a decision to express no confidence in the Prosecutor General and for the written submission of consent to the dismissal of the Prosecutor General made by the President of Ukraine”;

**16)** a new indent be added to Article 20.7 of the Law of Ukraine on the Accounting Chamber (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady, 2015, No. 36, p. 360, as amended) after the tenth indent to read as follows:

“9) violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts”.

The eleventh indent to be regarded as the twelfth indent, accordingly;

**17)** paragraph **9<sup>1</sup>** be added to Article 65.2 of the Law of Ukraine on Civil Service (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady, 2016, No. 4, p. 43; 2017, No. 48, p. 436; 2020, No. 47, p. 408) to read as follows:

“9<sup>1</sup>) violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts by a civil servant occupying a Category A or B civil service position”;

**18)** Article 10.4.12 be added to the Law of Ukraine on the State Bureau of Investigation (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady, 2016, No. 6, p. 55; 2018? No. 36 p. 272; 2020, No. 2 p/ 5, No. 6, p. 33 as amended) to read as follows:

“12) violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts”;

**19)** in the Law of Ukraine on the High Council of Justice (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 2017, Nos. 7–8, p. 50; 2019, No. 50, p. 354):

Article 6.10.7 be added to read as follows:

“7) persons who have violated the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts”;

the words “violation of the provisions of the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) as regards filing and observance of the timeframe for filing a declaration of contacts” be added to Article 24.1.5;

**20)** Article 8.2.14 be added to the Law of Ukraine on Privatisation of State and Communal Property (Bulletin Vidomosti Verkhovnoi Rady Ukrainy, 2018, No. 12, p. 68) to read as follows:

“14) persons included in the Register of Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs) under the Law of Ukraine on Preventing Threats to National Security Associated With Excessive Influence by Persons Who Wield Significant Economic and Political Weight in Public Life (Oligarchs)”.

4. It shall be established that the persons who are required to file the Declaration of Contacts under this Law shall file such a declaration in respect of a meeting (conversation), communication by telephone, or by electronic communication facilities, which took place between the date of this Law coming into force and the date of enactment thereof.

The Declarations referred to in the first indent of this paragraph shall be filed within 14 days from the date of enactment of this Law.

5. The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine shall, within three months from this Law coming into force: bring its statutory instruments in conformity with this Law;

cause ministries and other central executive authorities to bring their statutory instruments in conformity with this Law.

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